

# Jubilee Voice

Jubilee Malayalam Church (CNI)



## *Parish Messenger*

### **Thought for the month**

*Remember: Faith connects our weakness to God's strength*

**JUBILEE MALAYALAM CHURCH [C.N.I.]**  
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### Programmes

**March 5:** Ash Wednesday Worship

**March 7:** Cottage Prayer at the house of Mr. Abraham Mathan T. at 8pm.

**March 8:** Women's Fellowship meeting in Sanpada Jubilee Church at 4:30pm.

**March 9:** Combined Holy Communion Service in Panvel at 10am (Panvel Anniversary).

**March 15:** Cottage Prayer at the house of Mr. Solomon Samuel

**March 16:** Holy Communion Service in Sanpada at 7.00am and Panvel at 11am.

**Mar 23:** Holy Communion Service (Eng Lang.) in Sanpada at 7.00am and Panvel at 11am.

**March 30:** Combined H C Service in Sanpada at 3.30pm (Sunday school anniversary and Pulpit Change day).

**Atmaya Fellowship meeting on every Tuesdays.** (March 4,11,18,25)

## Motto for the year 2014

**“Clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature” (Romans 13: 14)**

## Message from the Presbyter

**Dear Friends in Christ,**

Lent season is coming near. March 5 is Ash Wednesday and we are beginning our lenten season from that day onwards till Easter except on intervening Sundays. Lenten season is a period for spiritual rejuvenation and focusing our life with God.

Lenten season culminates in Easter celebration. It points to a greater truth that fasting or observing lent is not a good in itself but it is deemed a good with respect to knowing God through Jesus' passion and resurrection. Physical realm assumes significance only in relation with the spiritual entity. If we try to focus on physical discipline without spiritual understanding, that will lead us into confusion and chaos.

Lent is not a mere means of regulating our eating habits. Culinary discipline is one of the areas where we try to balance and moderate. One should eat to live and not the other way around. Hence one should not always splurge on our blessings which God has bestowed on us, but rather have a giving heart, the same giving heart Jesus has for you and me. If lent means only an abstinence from eating meat without any further end, it does not amount to a virtue.

There are many other things that we concentrate on in the lenten season. According to our church tradition, after Ash Wednesday, we meet together on every following Wednesdays till Passion Week for worship and prayer. Here it will be on Fridays for our convenience. This is to teach us the importance of taking more time with God for our spiritual renewal. Therefore during lenten season we devote more time to prayer and fellowship as we enter into the most important period of our church calendar in which we remember God's act of securing salvation for humankind through Jesus' death and resurrection. The practice of taking more time with God that we develop during lenten season must continue beyond the lenten period in our personal life to yield good result and in the next year it must produce an increased result.

Prayer life and meditation of the word of God will change our attitude from within. God will help us through prayer life and the teachings of the word of God to be created into a new being. Jesus has come into the world to make us into a new creation and present us before God holy and blameless (Eph 1: 4). This new creation is what we need to experience during the lenten season.

Once we experience the new creation, there are good works to follow. The first struggle would be to overcome the power of sin in our life. As long as we are in this world we will be under the influence of sin, but we can achieve victory through Jesus to defeat sin in our life. We must draw closer to God to derive strength from Him to overcome sin. This must happen during our lenten season through our prayer and meditation of the Word.

Bible teaches us to do many virtuous acts. We must try to adopt these qualities one by one in our life. This is how we grow spiritually. We adopt these qualities not to boast or to be praised by others or to obtain salvation. Salvation is a free gift from God through Jesus and we are saved by his sacrificial death and resurrection. It is Jesus' work that secures salvation to us and not ours'. Good work is the natural outcome of our faith in Jesus Christ. Bible teaches us that we are not saved "by" good works, but we are saved "for" good works (Eph 2: 8-10)

May God help us during this lenten season to comprehend the breadth and length and height and depth of the love of God for us (Eph 3: 18). Amen

With love and prayers,  
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## **News & Notes**

### **Previous Month Highlights:**

#### **Church Picnic**

Church Picnic was conducted on January 26 to YMCA Nilshi. Three mini buses were booked for travel and 103 people were present. Almost everyone from Panvel worshipping centre participated in the picnic and one bus was fully allotted to them. It was a good and varied experience to all.

First of all, the journey that takes you through the road surrounded by mountains, open fields and villages was a different experience for longtime Mumbai dwellers. Even though journey was a tedious one, all the participants were anxiously waiting for what is kept in such a far land for picnic.

After reaching the destination, it was the time for dinner. People got hold of their shelter quickly and came back for dinner. Cabins were allotted for ladies and tents for gents.

There was campfire after dinner, around which, all the participants gathered together and performed different programs. Sunday school children sang songs and youth organized games. There was evening and there was morning the first day.

The second day started with worship service at 9:30am. Breakfast was served at 8:30am and after the worship service people got ready for water activity. There was swimming and Kayaking available for those, who do not even know to swim. Around 36 people participated in it. Everyone enjoyed it, even those who have not stepped out into the water, as this event has turned out to be the most attracting one among all other events in the picnic, on the last survey conducted at the end of picnic.

Games were arranged by youths for all the participants after lunch. Ballooning, Balloon stamping, Pair running with Balloon, Hair dressing with straw and Passing the parcel in a renewed way were the games prepared by youths. Special thanks to the youth group, who entertained the picnickers with their thrilling games.

Return journey begun after evening tea and prayer. Everyone went back to their homes anticipating a two day trip next time.

### **Sunday School Exams**

Sunday school exams were conducted jointly for the first time on Feb 9, Sunday. Both Sanpada and Panvel worshipping centre Sunday school teachers participated in the question paper preparation and paper evaluation. Sunday school coordinator, Mrs. Shelly Abraham took enough care to conduct these exams neatly.

There was teachers meeting arranged on the following Sunday after the exams and following points were discussed for the betterment of Sunday school.

1. Sunday school timing need to be stabilized for one hour on all occasions even at the time of breakfast and afternoon worship service arrangements. It was decided to conduct Sunday school on all Sundays as far as possible and the time was scheduled from 8.45am-9.45am.
2. It was observed that children come to Sunday school without adequate preparations- without notebooks, pencils and Bible. Therefore it was requested to remind parents of their duty to send children prepared for Sunday school.
3. It was also suggested that if children study their lessons every Sunday, it would help them to have a better understanding of the subject rather than studying at the last moment only for exam. It was noticed that some children were searching for notes at the last moment, which is unacceptable. Parents need to ensure that children write their Sunday school notes every Sunday and discuss with teachers if proper notes were not found.

### **Present Month Programs**

#### **Women's Sunday**

Women's Sunday will be celebrated on March 2, Sunday, at 3:30pm with a combined worship service in Sanpada Jubilee Church. **Parel Kochamma, Mrs. Jomini Sam**, will be the chief guest. There will be food stalls prepared by women's fellowship members after the service. "Vanchika" will be collected on the same day. All are requested to bring boxes.

Those who have not paid WF subscription are requested to pay it as early as possible.

#### **Ash Wednesday Service**

Lent season will begin from Ash Wednesday onwards with a worship service on March 5 at 6:30pm.

#### **Panvel Worshipping Centre Anniversary Celebration**

Panvel Worshipping Centre anniversary will be celebrated on March 9, Sunday, at 10am beginning with Holy Communion service in Panvel and thereafter variety entertainment programs followed by Lunch. All are requested to be present in Panvel for HC service and anniversary programs thereafter. There will be no service in Sanpada Jubilee Church on that day.

**Committee Meeting:** Committee meeting will be held on March 8, Saturday, at 7pm in the church side room. All committee members are requested to be present.

**Women's Fellowship Meeting:** Sanpada Women's fellowship meeting will be held in Jubilee Church on March 8 at 4:30pm.

Panvel Worshipping center women's fellowship meeting will be held in the house of Mrs. Bindu Isaac- 103 Umiya CHS, Sector 12, Kanda Colony, Panvel, Navi Mumbai- on 21<sup>st</sup> March at 6pm.

### **Atmaya Fellowship Meeting**

Atmaya Fellowship meeting will be held on March 4, 11, 18 and 25 at 7.30pm in the Jubilee Church, Sanpada.

### **Cottage Prayers**

1. March 7, Friday at 8:00pm: Address: Mr. Abraham Mathan T. A-10, Paramanu Nagar, Sector 4, Vashi, Navi Mumbai. Phone: 022- 27821693.
2. March 15, Saturday, at 7:30pm: Address: Mr. Solomon Samuel Samuel, A-103, Shree Mahavir Complex, Sector 13, Plot No. 113, Kharghar, Navi-Mumbai. Phone: 022-32194673. Mobile: 9819369402.

### **Sunday School Anniversary**

Sunday school anniversary will be celebrated on March 30, Sunday. It will be a combined worship service in the afternoon at 3.30pm. More details about it will be announced in the church.

### **Prayer Requests**

1. Mr. John P. Mathew- 9820456808 (for good health)
2. Mother of Mr. Thariyan George and Mrs. Linnet Thariyan- 9820236219.
3. Mother of Mr. W. J. Mathai (022-27703681) for happy and peaceful old age.
4. Mother of Mr. Sudeep Philips (Mob: 8879640355) for good health.
5. Mother of Mr. Jacob William.
6. Mrs. Suja Thomas Thyparambil (9820866250) for healing from arthritis.
7. Mrs. Mariamma Koshy- 402, Om Residency, Sec-6, Sanpada. Tel: 7738270209- Chembur church member, for sustained health after cancer treatment.
8. Mrs. Susan Samuel- for shoulder pain.
9. Mast. Vian Chandy Alex- for quick recovery and strength after an appendicitis surgery.

## SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR MARCH 2014

2<sup>nd</sup> March: 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Easter

Theme: It is God's will that all people should be saved

Isaiah 56: 3-8

Psalms 100

1 Timothy 2: 1-7

Matthew 8: 5-13

5<sup>th</sup> March: Ash Wednesday

Theme: The Spirit of Christian Discipline

Isaiah 58: 1-9

Psalms 32: 1-7

I Cor. 9: 24-27

Matt 6: 1 -6, 16-18

9<sup>th</sup> March: 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Easter

Theme: God's word gives us strength to resist temptation

Deut. 8: 1-5

Psalms 91: 9-16

I Cor. 10: 6-13

Matthew 4: 1-11

16<sup>th</sup> March: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Easter

Theme: Christ gives the living water of the Spirit

Exodus 17: 3-7

Psalms 104: 10-15

I Cor. 10: 1-5

John 4: 5-26

23<sup>rd</sup> March: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday before Easter

Theme: Christ is the light of the world

Exodus 13: 17-22

Psalms 107: 1-16

Ephesians 5: 8-14

John 9: 1-17

30<sup>th</sup> March: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Easter

Theme: Christ is the resurrection and the life

1 Kings 17: 17-24

Psalms 36: 1-9

Romans 14: 7-9

John 11: 1-3, 17-44

### SCRIPTURE READING NAMES- SANPADA

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Lesson</b>	<b>Psalms</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson</b>
02.03.14	Mrs. Sera Bibi Cherian	Mrs. Sherly Varghese	Mrs. Shiny Sabu
16.03.14	Mr. Monzy Tharian	Mrs. Linet Thariyan	Mrs. Annamma John
23.03.14	Mr. Saji C. Thomas	Mrs. Jessy John	Mrs. Anita Ninan
30.03.14	Mrs. Shelly Abraham	Mrs. Suja Bose	Mr. A. C. Jacob

	<b>PEACE</b>
02.03.14	Mrs. Sheena Johnson, Mrs. Lini Paul
16.03.14	Mr. & Mrs. George Eapen
23.03.14	Mr. & Mrs. Biju George
30.03.14	Ms. Mary John; Ms. Reeba Kurian

<b>ELEMENTS</b>
Mrs. Shiny Sam, Mrs. Sweety Philips
Mr. (Adv) & Mrs. Chandy Kurien
Mr. & Mrs. Bino Oommen
Mrs. Sosa Kurian; Mrs. Ashish George

**INTERCESSION**

02.03.14 Mrs. Annamma John  
 16.03.14 Mr. V. M. Y. John  
 23.03.14 Mrs. Deenamma Tharian  
 30.03.14 Mrs. Lini Paul

**OFFERTORY**

Mrs. Bindu Alex; Mrs. Liji Babu  
 Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Aleesha Ann Philip  
 Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Sanaya Shaji  
 Ms. Aneeta Rose Paul; Mast. Joel Isaac John

**SCRIPTURE READING NAMES – PANVEL**

	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Lesson</b>	<b>Psalms</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson</b>
09.03.14	Mr. M. M. Yesudas	Mrs. Bindu Alex	Mr. Johnson K K
16.03.14	Mr. Sam Thomas	Mrs. Rachel John	Mrs. Flory David
23.03.14	Mr. Lopez Isaac	Mrs. Biji Babu	Mrs. Shiny Sabu

**INTERCESSION**

09.03.14 Mrs. Sinu Ashok  
 16.03.14 Mr. Solomon Samuel  
 23.03.14 Mr. John Thomas

**PEACE**

Mr. & Mrs. W. K. David  
 Mr. & Mrs. Simon Philip  
 Mr. & Mrs. Solomon Samuel

**BIRTHDAYS**

02-Mar	Ms. Lisa Thariyan	Kopar Khairne
03-Mar	Mr. Hans Thomas V.	Airoli
04-Mar	Mr. M. M. Yesudas	Nhava
04-Mar	Ms. Tanya Abraham	Vashi
05-Mar	Mrs. Suja Thomas	Sanpada
06-Mar	Mr. John P. Mathew	C.B.D.
07-Mar	Mrs. Aleyamma Mathew	Kharghar
11-Mar	Mrs. Annamma John	Kopar Khairne
13-Mar	Mr. Johnson KK	Kharghar
13-Mar	Miss Aleesha Anna Philip	Nerul
13-Mar	Mrs. Jolly David	Kalamboli
13-Mar	Mr. Monzy Tharian Varghese	Palm Beach
14-Mar	Mrs. Smita Abraham	Vashi
16-Mar	Mrs. Linet Thariyan	Kopar Khairne

17-Mar	Mr. Saji C. Thomas	Nerul
18-Mar	Mrs. Jessy John	Vashi
19-Mar	Mrs. Anita Ninan	Kopar Khairne
19-Mar	Mrs. Shely Abraham	Sanpada
20-Mar	Mr. V.M.Y. John	Vashi
22-Mar	Mr. Lopez Isaac	Panvel
22-Mar	Mrs. Deenamma Tharian	Palm Beach
25-Mar	Mrs. Shiny Sabu	Kamothe
26-Mar	Mrs. Rekha Susan Varghese	Sanpada
31-Mar	Ms. Aneeta Rose Paul	Kharghar

<b>Church Calendar 2014</b>	
Women's Fellowship Sunday	March 2
Ash Wednesday	March 5
Palm Sunday	April 13
Maundy Thursday	April 17
Good Friday	April 18
Easter	April 20

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