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*Jubilee Voice*  
Jubilee Malayalam Church (CNI)



*Parish Messenger*

*Thought for the month*

*Remember: "I will put my dwelling place among you, and I will not abhor you."*

*Lev.26:11*

JUBILEE MALAYALAM CHURCH

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Programmes

**March 1:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30pm in Sanpada Church

**March 4:** Lenten prayer Service in the Church at 8.30pm

**March 6:** Combined HC service at Jubilee church Sanpada at 3pm (Women's Sunday)

**March 8:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30pm in Sanpada Church

**March 11:** Lenten prayer service in the Church at 8.30pm

**March 13:** Matins service in Sanpada at 7am and in Panvel at 11 am respectively

**March 13:** Church Committee at Sanpada at 9.30 a.m

**March 15:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30 pm in Sanpada Church

March 18: Lenten prayer service in the Church at 8.30pm

**March 19:** Cottage prayer meeting at the residence of Mr. David James, Kharghar at 7.30pm

**March 20:** HC service in Sanpada at 7am and in Panvel at 11 am respectively.

**March 20:** Cottage prayer meeting at the residence of Mr. V.M.Y John, Koperkhairane at 7.30pm

**March 22:** Convention 7.30pm to 9.30pm

**March 23:** Convention 7.30pm to 9.30pm

**March 24:** (Maundy Thursday) combined HC service in Sanpada at 8.pm(First floor)

**March 25:** (Good Friday) combined service in Sanpada at 8am

**March 26:** Retreat and fasting prayer 10am to 1pm

**March 26:** Passion recital 7pm to 9pm

**March 27:** (Easter) combined HC service in Malayalam in Sanpada at 5.30am.

#### **Motto for the year 2016**

**“Let us love one another, for Love comes from God.”**

**I John 4:7**

#### **Message from the Presbyter**

**Dear Beloved- in- Christ,**

“Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ”.

Woman, why are you crying?            John 20:13

This is the most significant season of Christians to remember Christ’s death and resurrection. It was a time to lead and show us His real love on the Cross. This month, we are observing lent, passion week/holy week, which starts from Psalm Sunday through Easter. The great news of Easter, Resurrection of Jesus Christ come to a woman called Mary Magdalene ( meaning ‘Strong’). She was named Magdalene after the town she came from Magdala. Jesus drove seven demons from her and she became his follower, standing close to his cross when he died. Mary Magdalene was the first person Jesus appeared to, after his resurrection. She was the first woman to proclaim the great news of resurrection.

Why she is crying? The deep commitment and devotion to his master Jesus Christ, is the reason. We are crying for number of reasons. For our children, their studies, health, family problems, financial crisis, when someone hurts our ego, when we are desperate, dissolute, so on and so forth. But Mary Magdalene cried for her Lord. She wanted to see Jesus. She wanted to discover where the body is. Her zeal towards the Lord leads her to cry. Let us see the different level of her passion towards her master.

#### **The zeal to worship:**

It is written, Mary came to the tomb very early in the morning, while it was still dark. It was the custom in Palestine to visit the tomb of a loved one for three days after the body had been laid to rest. It was unsafe to travel by a woman during such an hour. But still she had a zeal in her mind to worship her Lord and Master. If we have the same passion, then at any time, even

if it is early morning, afternoon, or late night, we will attend the church services and fellowship meetings without any excuses.

**The zeal to share:**

Luke 8:2 says that she is a good giver in Jesus' ministry and accompanying him during his earthly ministry. Sharing our wealth to the ministry and mission is the expression of our love towards our Lord. Mary Magdalene expressed her love in sharing her wealth to the Jesus.

**The zeal to discover:**

Mary Magdalene discovered that the tomb is empty. Unless and until, we discover the truth from God, we cannot know our strength and weakness, our spiritual emptiness and fullness.

**The zeal to recognize:**

When Jesus called her name, Mary, she suddenly recognized her Rabboni, teacher. Are we able to recognize God's voice, when we are accustomed to many voices of the world.

**The zeal to proclaiming:**

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: 'I have seen the Lord!'. Jesus had chosen Mary to carry his message to all. He called her by name. He gave his vision to her. Unless and until we had such an experience with Christ, a deep commitment to Lord, our worships, songs, prayers, and fellowships will be meaningless. Our preaching will be in vain. So let us commit once again to dedicate our time, energy, wealth and talents to Jesus Christ our Lord.

I wish you a blessed and meaningful Easter.

May God Bless you.

With love and prayers,

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**You are fearfully and wonderfully made!**

Psalms 139:14 tells us that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. God's character goes into the creation of every person. When you feel worthless or even begin to hate yourself, remember God's Spirit is ready and willing to work within you. We should have much respect for ourselves as our Maker has for us. God made us the way we are and for a specific purpose. When we understand this, we acquire peace that makes us realize that whatever ailments or perceived problems we have in life are there because God ordained them. Always remember God has created you the way you are for a reason. You should not compare yourselves with others because God did not make you like other people. The Bible says, God formed you (Isaiah 44:24) and created you as His own masterpiece for a purpose (Ephesians 2:10). You are fearfully made means to have respect and reverence for God. You should be thankful and honour God for the body and life He has given you. God does not randomly drop people into the world; He has a specific reason behind the creation of every single person. You are wonderfully made, means to be distinct or unique. God made you one of a kind. God has indeed a very special plan for you. Take comfort in knowing 'God has created you'. You are his MASTERPIECE! When you begin to understand this, you can be liberated from so many negative things that keep you from serving God.

Regards,

Bijitta

## News & Notes

### Previous Month Highlight

#### **Newly Married**

Susheil and Lavina got married on 30<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at CSI Ascension church, Kottayam, Kerala.

We congratulate the newly wedded and wish them all blessings in the new phase of their life.

#### **Panvel Worshipping Center Anniversay:**

Panvel Worshipping center Anniversay was held on Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, at 10am at St. Francis CNI Church, Panvel. More than 65 members participated from Sanpada Church. It was a well-arranged program and participants performed wonderfully. Big appreciation and heartfelt thanks to all those labored behind this venture and for your co-operation.

#### **Union committee**

Union committee of Malayalam churches was conducted on February 14<sup>th</sup>, Sunday at 4.30pm at Mulund Malayalam CNI church. Mr. Biju Alex, Mr. Thomas George and Mr. Mathews Philip attended the meeting. Program for the present year was charted in the meeting.

#### **Women's fellowship Special Program and Competitions**

Women's fellowship retreat and competitions was held on Friday February 19, 2016, at 9.30am at Jubilee Church, Sanpada. After the worship session, women were divided into four groups with 6 participants in each. Bible quiz, Dumb charades, Treasure hunt, Memory game, fruit delight and group song were conducted. It was interesting that most of them participated in all the individual items. A grant delicious food, provided by our WF members from their home was the prime attraction and we enjoyed that. A game conducted by the secretary was a fun making one and informative. All of them had a good fellowship and got spiritual nourishment. I congratulate Mrs. Sera Bibi Cherian and all the WF members who attended, for conducting the program in a splendid way. Special thanks to all the participants, those who came from Panvel area and long distances, even though there was a train mega block.

## **Present Month Programs**

**Atmaya Fellowship Meeting:** Atmaya fellowship meetings will be held on all Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in Church. Bible study based on Romans.

### **Women's Fellowship Meeting:**

Women's fellowship meeting will be conducted on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March, at 4.30pm at Sanpada Church.

### **Women's Sunday**

Women's Sunday will be observed on Sunday, 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2016, at 3pm at Sanpada Jubilee Malayalam Church. There will be no service at Panvel on that day. Vanchika Cover collection will be there. The money will be utilized for the charity and mission work. After the service, food sale will be there. All are requested to participate in this service.

### **Passion week**

Church Convention is arranged during Passion Week on March 22 Tuesday, and March 23 Wednesday. The Speaker will be Rev. Joseph Samuel, Professor, KUTC Seminary. He is a good orator and a convention speaker. It is our privilege to get an effective person for this time. Therefore, I urge you to kindly make use of his ministry over here. He will lead all the worship services during the Passion Week. I request all the members to kindly attend all the meetings and worship services during that Week. Also invite your relatives, friends and members of the sister churches for these meetings.

### **Harvest Festival & Monthly Subscription**

Those who have dues in Harvest festival amount, Monthly Subscription or any other collections are requested to pay before 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2016. Duly filled Trust Membership forms will be compulsory in order to accept the subscription. Those who have not filled the Trust Membership forms, shall do it and submit it before 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2016.

### **Sponsors**

We need sponsors for buying Hymns, Lyrics and Common worship Books. Most of our common worship books are not in good condition. If anybody is interested, kindly sponsor the books.

## **New Address**

Mr.Sushiel Mani Alex & Mrs.Lavina John

C-22/10,Gharkul, Sector 15, Kharghar,(Behind D Mart or Spaghetti)

## **Prayer Requests**

1. Mr. Ashok Abraham, undergoing treatment for psoriasis
2. Mrs. Shibi George undergoing treatment for eye sight
3. Mrs. Suja Thomas suffering from arthritis
4. Mr. Abrham Mathan (for good health)
5. Mr. John P. Mathew- 9820456808 (for good health)
6. Mr. John Thomas -9867886398 (for good health)
7. Mother of Mr. W. J. Mathai (022-27703681) for happy and peaceful old age.
8. Mother of Mr. Sudeep Philips (Mob: 8879640355). She is undergoing dialysis.
9. Pray for the wife of Bishop Joshua, staying in Borivalli. She is undergoing treatment for cancer.
10. Mrs. Mariam G. Thomas, (for good health)
11. 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> class students appearing for board exams, and all the children those who are attending exams.
12. Mr. Shyam Gorath & family, our missionary in Akhloli Village

## **SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR MARCH 2016**

6<sup>th</sup> March: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Easter(Women's Sunday)

Theme: Remembering and Celebrating Women's Ministry

Judges 4:4-16

Ps.132

Phil.4:1-7

Luke 8:1-3

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

Theme: The magnetism of the cross

Isaiah 53:1-12

Ps.66

Hebrews 5:1-10

John 12 :20-36

20<sup>th</sup> March: Sunday before Easter-Palm Sunday

Theme: Christ enters Jerusalem to offer his life for the salvation of the world.

Isaiah 50:4-10

Ps.69:1-21

I Cor. 1:18-25

Luke 19:29-40

24<sup>th</sup> March: Maundy Thursday

Theme: Eucharist : Communion of Suffering Humanity

Ex.12:1-12  
I Cor.11:23-34

Ps.116  
Mark.14:17-25

25<sup>th</sup> March: Good Friday

Theme: Cross: Accomplishment of Salvation

Ex.14:15-22

Ps.22

Heb. 13:8-17

John 19:23-30

26<sup>th</sup> March: Holy Saturday

Theme: Hope for the New Life

Daniel 12:1-4

Ps.4

1 Peter 4:12-19

John 19:38-42

27<sup>th</sup> March: Easter

Theme: Resurrection: Celebrating Boundless Transformation

II Sam. 22:1-20

Ps.16

1 Cor. 15:20-28

Mark 16:1-11

### SCRIPTURE READING NAMES- SANPADA

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson
06.03.16	Mrs.Aleyamma Joseph,Khargar	Mrs.Shiny Sam	Mrs.Solly Johnson
13.03.16	Mr. John P. Mathew	Mrs. Suja Thomas	Ms. Lisa Thariyan
20.03.16	Mr. Saji C. Thomas	Mrs. Linet Thariyan	Mr. Monzy Tharian Varghese
24.03.16	Mr. Rijo Cherian	Mrs. Shely Abraham	Mrs. Anita Ninan
27.03.16	Mr. V.M.Y. John	Mrs. Shiny Sabu	Ms. Pearl Pise

DATE	PEACE	ELEMENTS
06.03.16	Mrs. Annamma John & Mrs. Nirmala John	Mrs. Marykutty George & Mrs. Mary Joseph
13.03.16	Mr. & Mrs. Sunsheel Mani Alex	Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Williams
20.03.16	Mr. & Mrs. Paul Joseph	Mr. & Mrs. P K Abraham
24.03.16	Mr. & Mrs. Oommen George	Mr. & Mrs. Mathews Phliph
27.03.16	Mr. & Mrs. K K Johnson	Mr. & Mrs. Bose K Thomas



## OFFERTORY

06.03.16	Mrs. Bindu Alex & Mrs .Lilly Varghese
13.03.16	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Jisby Ann Bose
20.03.16	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Anjana Paul
24.03.16	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Lavina John
27.03.16	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Aneeta Rose Paul

## SCRIPTURE READING NAMES – PANVEL

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson
13.03.16	Mr. Simon Phlip	Mrs. Bindu John	Mrs. Flory Dorus David
20.03.16	Mr. Solomon Samuel	Mrs. Shinu Ashok	Ms. Dinsey Jacob

DATE	PEACE
13.03.16	Mr & Mrs. T C Issac
20.03.16	Mr. & Mrs. Sam Thomas

## BIRTHDAY

### MARCH

2-Mar	Ms. Lisa Thariyan	Kopar Khairne
2-Mar	Mr. Hans Thomas V.	Airoli
4-Mar	Mr. M. M. Yesudas	Nhava
4-Mar	Ms. Tanya Abraham	Vashi
5-Mar	Mrs. Suja Thomas	Sanpada
6-Mar	Mr. John P. Mathew	C.B.D.
7-Mar	Mrs. Aleyamma Mathew	Kharghar
8-Mar	Mrs. Shiny Sabu	Kamothe
11-Mar	Mrs. Annamma John	Vashi
13-Mar	Mr. Johnson KK	Kharghar
13-Mar	Miss Aleesha Ann Philip	Nerul
13-Mar	Mrs. Flory Dorus David	Kamothe
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
21-Mar	Mrs. Solly Johnson	Kalamboli
22-Mar	Mr. Lopez Isaac	Panvel
22-Mar	Mrs. Deenamma Tharian	Palm Beach
26-Mar	Ms. Pearl Pise	Kharghar
31-Mar	Ms. Aneeta Rose Paul	Kharghar

## Children's Corner

### The Test of your Bible Knowledge (Below 15 years shall participate)

1. Who said "It is expedient for us that one man should die for the people and not that the whole nation should perish"?
2. Who said to whom: "Do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children"?
3. Who went to Pilate to get the body of Jesus?
4. Who witnessed the burial of Jesus in the new tomb?
5. Who were the women who saw the empty tomb and went back with the news to the disciples?
6. Who said to whom? "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem and have you not known the things which happened there in these days?"
7. Who said to whom? "Why do you seek the living among the dead?"
8. Who were the children of Amram and Jochebed?
9. Who built the city of Rehoboth and Ninevah?
10. Who was called for the first time a Hebrew?

The first sent answers to the above questions will get the prize. The answers shall be given with references and email it to the presbyter by mentioning your name and age. On the other hand, you can give it personally in writing. The email id is given below:

[presbyter.sanpadajmc@gmail.com](mailto:presbyter.sanpadajmc@gmail.com)

### Congratulations.....

Last month's winners: Miss. Leah Johnson, Miss. Sanaya Shaji, Miss. Lisa Thariyan and Master. Dan Koshy George.

### **Last month's Answers**

1. Seth (Genesis 4:25)

2. Daniel (Daniel 1:7)
3. Jacob (Genesis 35:22-24, 46:19)
4. Amos (Amos 1:1)
5. Abner (I Samuel 14:50-51, 17:55)
6. Moses (Deuteronomy 31:24-26)
7. Aquila (Acts 18:1-2)
8. Angel (Mathew 28:1-4)
9. Ruth (Ruth 3:7-8, 4:13)
10. Zebedee (Mark 1:19-20, Luke 5:10, Mathew 4:21)

### **Important events in Christian History**

	Year	Event
61.	A.D. 1559	John Knox returns to Scotland to lead Reformation
62.	A.D. 1572	Saint Bartholomew's Day Massacre
63.	A.D. 1608-09	John Smyth Baptizes the first Baptists
64.	A.D. 1611	Publication of the King James Bible
65.	A.D. 1620	Pilgrims sign the Mayflower compact
66.	A.D. 1628	Comenius driven from his homeland
67.	A.D. 1646	The Westminster Confession of faith
68.	A.D. 1648	George Fox founds the Society of Friends
69.	A.D. 1653	Coonan Cross Agreement- Mattancherry
70.	A.D. 1662	Rembrandt completes the Return of the Prodigal Son
71.	A.D. 1675	Philip Jacob Spener Publishes pia Desideria
72.	A.D. 1678	John Bunyan's The Pilgrim's Progress Published
73.	A.D. 1685	The Births of Johann Sebastian Bach and George Frederic Handel
74.	A.D. 1703	Birth of John Wesley, founder of Methodist Church
75.	A.D. 1706	First protestant mission started at Tranquabar at Tamilnadu,
76.	A.D. 1707	Publication of Isaac Watt's Hymns and Spiritual Songs
77.	A.D. 1727	Awakening at Herrnhut Launches Moravian Brethren

78. A.D. 1735 Great Awakening under Jonathan Edwards  
79. A.D. 1738 John Wesley's Conversion  
80. A.D. 1780 Robert Raikes begins Sunday Schools

To be continued in next issue.....

Receipts			Payments		
Particulars	Dec'15	Jan'16	Particulars	Dec'15	Jan'16
Harvest Festival Receivable	45,600	20,300	Car	519,208	-
Birthday Thanks	7,100	6,600	Allowance to Priest	25,000	25,000
Offertory	25,683	30,358	Carol Expenses	43,400	30,508
Subscription Receivable	6,750	2,400	Gift to Visiting Priest	6,500	1,500
Wedding Anniversary	1,800	11,000	Jubilee Maint. Charges	50,000	-
Harvest Cover Coll.	4,100	-	Medical, Xmas Gift & Other Allowance	38,580	-
Parsonage Maint	2,000	2,000	Missionary Expenses	10,000	-
Spl Thanks	6,000	19,520	Rent	49,488	1,462
Sunday School Collection	510	-	Tea Expenses	4,870	3,175
Tithe Collection	23,000	19,600	Panvel exp. Advance	-	30,000
Carol Collection	6,900	2,500	Calender Exp.	-	23,625
Family Sunday	6,000	-	Parish Paper Charges	-	15,000
Student Thanks	-	1,000	Union Churches	-	11,036
Calender Income	-	4,500	Family Sunday	9,500	-
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>135,443</b>	<b>119,778</b>		<b>756,546</b>	<b>141,306</b>
Car Loan	75,000	-			
Car Fund	90,300	46,000			
Missionary Fund	13,000	-	Missionary Fund	13,000	5,000
Parsonage Fund	2,500	-			
Sound System Fund	42,551	48,800			
Chennai Flood Relief	600	-			
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>223,951</b>	<b>94,800</b>		<b>13,000</b>	<b>5,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>359,394</b>	<b>214,578</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>769,546</b>	<b>146,306</b>

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