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Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter!

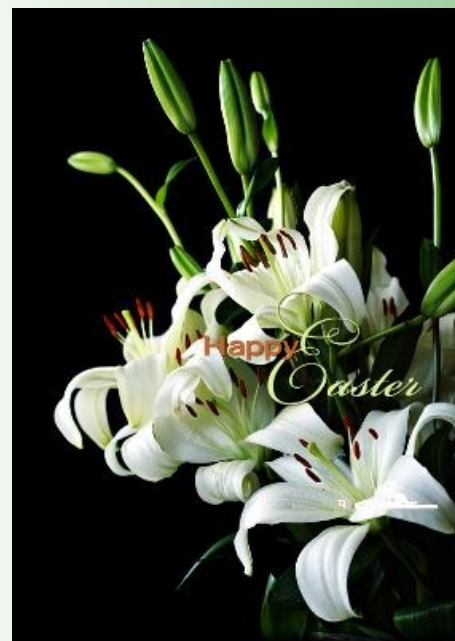
Christ has risen and drove his enemies behind. Let us carry this message all through our life. The resurrected Christ is with us towards the end of the world.

*The General Body held on March 11 took many important and valuable decisions. General Body entrusted the Managing Committee to conduct a fund raising project. To celebrate the church **50th Year Jubilee** was another major decision. As part of the celebration, we are planning a pilgrimage to India during 2019 January. Those who are joining the tour will have the opportunity to visit Devalokam, Catholicate Palace, Old Seminary, Puthuppally Church Manarcaud Church, Parumala Church, Kerala Government Secretariat etc. Also there will be opportunities for cultural and artistic presentations and entertainments. Souvenir publication, Public Meeting charity etc are some of the other programs.*

Yours in Him,

Daniel Achen

April 1, 2018



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50TH YEAR JUBILEE CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

Vicar nominated **Vinod Mathews, James P Vaidhyan and Varghese Simon** to the Jubilee celebration committee. They will work with the Managing Committee. The first meeting of the committee will be held at our church on Friday April 13th, at 7:00 pm.

MGOCSM

MGOCSM will be conducting its regular evening prayer and song practice session every second Saturday at 6:00 pm. Please bring the new Qurbana book, "Service Book of the Holy Qurbano", as they will be looking at new versions of the Qurbana songs. We highly request our youngsters participation.

Children's Association

EASTER EGG HUNT : On the day of Easter, an Easter Egg Hunt was organized for our Children by our Children's Association, Vice President, Jolly Charummoottil, organized the program.

SPECIAL VISITS

We extend our sincere thanks to Rev. Fr. Dr. T. Kuriakose, Dhyana Guru of Shalom TV for his participation in our services and meditations during the passion week and leading the Retreat on March 24, 2018.

OBITUARY

Mariam Varghese (76) mother of Santhosh Varghese and wife of V.V. Varghese passed away on April 6th at Kavumbhagam, Thiruvalla. Our deepest condolences to the family of Santhosh and Sheeba Varghese.

Sunday School: Debate/Speech competition and story telling for Sunday School children will be held on Sunday, April 22, 2018. All interested students must contact their class teacher.

Martha Mariyam Samajam : The Martha Mariyam Samajam Regional Conference will be held at our church on June 16, 2018. Everybody's cooperation is highly requested. Members please register with the secretary in advance to participate in the conference.

GENERAL BODY –2018

The annual General Body of our church held at our church on March 11 Sunday after the Holy Qurbana . Many important and valuable decisions have been taken. General Body entrusted the Managing Committee to conduct a fund raising project. To celebrate the church **50th Year Jubilee** was another major decision. Another decision was that, Vicar will be formulating a Jubilee Celebration committee to work together with the managing committee.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Ganesh Sunny and Dr. Beth Vettiyl are blessed with a baby girl named Ella George on Thursday, March 22, 2018. Congratulations to the proud parents and grandparents Saji Vettiyl & Jyothi Saji.



IMPORTANT CHURCH DATES

April 1 Sunday	Easter Sunday
April 8 Sunday	First Sunday after Easter
April 15 Sunday	Second Sunday after Easter
April 22 Sunday	Third Sunday after Easter
April 29 Sunday	Fourth Sunday after Easter

Kerala Christian Ecumenical Fellowship

General Body Meeting and Sendoff - Thursday, April 12th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at our Church.

PARISH CALENDAR - APRIL 2018

Sundays	Sunday School	9.00 am
	Morning Prayer	9.30 am
	Holy Qurbana	10.15 am

April 8 Sunday	Intercessory prayer , Martha Mariyam Samajam
April 15 Sunday	Children's Organization after Holy Qurbana
April 22 Sunday	Holy Qurbana (ENGLISH)

FUND RAISING COMMITTEE

Alex George, G. Mathai and Gijo Peter are nominated to the fund Raising Committee. They will work with the Managing Committee. The committee met on Thursday, April 5th at our Church and discussed the possibility of conducting a fund raising event.

OVBS 2018

The 2018 OVBS (Orthodox Vacation Bible School) of our Church was conducted during Wednesday March 14th to Saturday March 17th. The valedictory function was held after the Holy Qurbana on March 18th.

The theme for 2018 OVBS: “Do good to one another” (Thess. 5:15)

Children enjoyed visiting a bowling center as a part of their OVBS activities. Also, there was a talent show for the OVBS participants on Saturday March 17th.

We thank all sponsors, the volunteers, teachers & all participants for making OVBS a great Success.

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