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Dear Tarishioners.

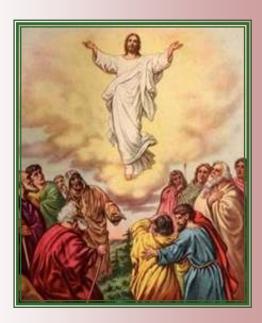
This is the 7th month of our news letter publication. I am happy that the response to this publication is very promising. This publication helps members to get information about the programs and services of our church at a glance. Further, members are requested to send important news matters to the editorial board. This include achievement award to our children, career achievement or any recognitions received by any of our members. Members can also put advertisements of birthdays, wedding anniversaries and memorial etc.

Ihanking you.

Yours in Him. Daniel Achen

June 1, 2018





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<u>TOUR TO KERALA</u>: To celebrate our Golden Jubilee, a tour to Kerala is planned for our Church members in January 2019. The group will visit Devalokam Aramana, Orthodox Seminary, Parumala Church, Puthuppally Church, Manarcaud Church, Thiruvithamkodu Church (Ara Pally), tourist centers of Kovalam and Veli and Alappuzha beaches etc.

Receptions from some Churches and Government of Kerala are on negotiation. Those who are interested have to inform their intent to participate soon and to register their names before July 2018.

SPECIAL VISIT

We extent our sincere thanks to Rev. Yuhanon Rembachen visited our church and celebrated Holy Qurbana for Ascension on May 9, 2018 Wednesday evening.

OBITUARY

Mr. Thankachan Abraham (73 years), husband of Mrs. Mariamma Thankachan, father of Wilson Abraham, father-in-law of Siji Wilson and grandfather of Maria and Joshua passed away in Kerala on Monday, May 14, 2018.May the God Almighty console the departed soul and give comfort to the sorrowful family members. Our deepest condolences to the family.

YOUTH GET TOGETHER

A get-together of our second generation members will be held on Friday, June 22, 2018. It will be a dinner night. Parents are requested to communicate to children about this and advise them to attend. The MGOCSM members are also requested to attend. Those who are interested to attend please send an email to info@sgoctoronto.org

Sunday School: Bible Quiz competition was conducted on 13th May 2018 after H. Qurbana for Sunday School children. Congratulations to all participants and thank you to all organizers for successfully conducting the event.

SENIORS CLUB: The seniors club (60 Plus) was held at our church on Sunday May 27 after the Holy Qurbana. Participants discussed about the scope and future plans of the organization. The next meeting will be held after the H. Qurbana on June 24th.

MGOCSM : An MGOCSM BBQ was held on May 20, 2018. Thank you to everyone who supported and contributed to make this Fund raiser a great success.

MGOCSM will have its regular evening prayer and song practice every 2nd Saturday at 6:00pm. Those who need to buy the new Qurbana Book "Service Book of The Holy Qurbono" Please contact the Church office.

GENERAL BODY Meeting : A General Body of our church will be held at our church on Sunday June the 17th after the Holy Qurbana. The main agenda includes presentation of the annual Accounts for 2017, Jubilee Celebrations Fundraising etc. Members are requested to check their eligibility to attend.

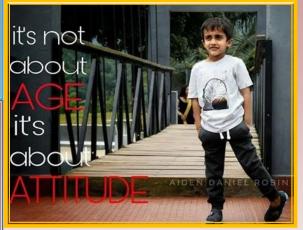
Church Picnic:

This year's church picnic will be on Saturday, July 21, 2018 at our church ground as well as nearby park. Please make sure to attend this event.

IMPORTANT CHURCH DATES

June 3 Sunday	2 nd Sunday after Pentecost
June 10 Sunday	3 rd Sunday after Pentecost
June 16 Saturday	Apostles lent begins
June 17 Sunday	4 th Sunday after Pentecost
June 24 Sunday	5 th Sunday after Pentecost
June 29 Friday	Apostles Lent ends, Remem- erance of St. Peter and St. Paul
June 30 Saturday Remembrance of all Apostles	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY AIDEN



Best wishes By Pullelil Family Aiden Daniel Robin - (June 10)

ST. GEORGE PERUNAL

This year's St. George Perunal was celebrated on Saturday May the 5th and Sunday May the 6th with Evening prayer, devotional talk and Holy Qurbana as usual.

PARISH CALENDAR - MAY 2018

Sundays	June 17 Sunday Children's Association
Sunday School 9:00 am, Morning Prayer 9:30 am,	June 24 Sunday Holy Qurbana in English, MGOCSM meeting
Holy Qurbana 10:15 am	June 27 Thursday
June 3 Sunday OCYM Meeting	Holy Qurbana:Prayer 6:30 pm Qurbana 7.00 pm
June 10 Sunday Intercessory Prayer, Women's League	End of Apostles Lent and remembrance of St. Peter and St. Paul

MOTHERS DAY : Mothers Day celebrated at our church on Sunday, May the 13th. Women are recognized by giving out Rose Flowers.

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY: A diocesan General Body of our church was held at the Transfiguration Retreat Center USA on Saturday May 19, 2018. Annual Report, Accounts and Budgets were the main items in the agenda. Diocesan Council members G. Mathai and George Varughese (Jomon) attended the meeting.

Sunday School Annual Exam 2018

Centralized exams :-

Centralized exams for Grade 12 will be conducted in our church on June 3rd after H. Qurbana. Centralized exams for Grade 5, 8, 10 will be conducted on June 24th at our church after H. Qurbana. Children from other Churches in the Toronto area will also write exams at our church.

Sunday school internal exams :-

Sunday school internal exams for all other classes will also be conducted on 24th June at our church.

Bible Quiz competition was conducted on 13th May 2018 for Sunday School children -

CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS !!!

Juniors : Grade 5/6/7 Portions : Gospel according to St Mark and Gospel according to St Luke all chapters

WINNERS TEAM : BLUE TEAM ALVINA SAMSON — Team Leader Joanna Vincent, Mabon Mathew, Shweta Saju, Steve Abraham, Jerin John, Shone Mathew. **Seniors** : Grade 8/9/10/11/12 Bible Portion: Book of Jeremiah: Galatians Outside Bible: Liturgy

WINNERS TEAM : GREEN TEAM ASHNA SAMSON— Team Leader Emil Mathew, Tricia Vaidhyan, Rebecca Mathew, Joel Abraham.

CANADIAN COUNCIL OF CHURCHES : The Northeast American Diocese of the Malankara Orthodox Church is officially admitted to the membership of the Canadian Council of Churches. Our Diocesan Metropolitan H.G. Zachariah Mar Nicholovos submitted a letter of intent to join the Council. It was approved by the Governing Board on 2017 June and it was scheduled for voting on January 2018. All the 50 member churches voted in favour of our admission. They sent the decision to all member churches to know if there is any objection for this. Since all Governing Board Members and all the 50 churches agreed, the Council conferred membership at the Governing Board Meeting held at Ottawa on 2018 May. The total time for processing of membership took more than one year

Out Vicar Fr. Daniel Pullelil was the delegate of the North East American Diocese. He attended the meeting and accepted the membership and thanked the Council on behalf of the Diocesan Metropolitan H. G. Zachariah Mar Nicholovos, who is one of the Executive Committee members of the World Council of Churches.

Our church is one of the founding members of the World Council of Churches and our Late Gregorios Thirumeni served as its president. Also, we are members of the American Council of Churches and Indian Council of Churches

MARTHA MARIAM VANITHA SAMAJAM REGIONAL CONFERENCE will be held at our church on

Saturday, June 16, 2018. Please register your name with the Secretary to participate.

H.G. Yuhanon Mar Demetrios, Metropolitan of the Delhi Diocese will be leading the conference. The Theme: Women Empowerment in a Christian Background.

Based on Proverbs 31:26:," when she speaks, her words are wise and she gives instructions with kindness."

PRAYER GROUP MEETING : Volunteers are needed to take up the responsibility of Prayer Group Secretary Positions

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