

WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR JULY 2007

National Evangelical Church Monday

2nd Mon	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion	Church & P.H.
9th Mon	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion	Church & P.H.
16th Mon	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion	Church & P.H.
23rd Mon	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion	Church & P.H.
30th Mon	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion	Church & P.H.

Friday

06th Fri	7.00 a.m.	Fasting Prayer	Diwaniya
13th Fri	7.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Diwaniya
20th Fri	7.00 a.m.	Fasting Prayer	Diwaniya
27th Fri	8.15 a.m.	Holy Communion	Church & P.H.

St. Mark's Coptic Church - Sunday

1st Sun	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
8th Sun	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
15th Sun	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
22nd Sun	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion
29th Sun	7.30 p.m.	Holy Communion

*Birthday and Wedding Anniversary thanks-giving service
will be held during all the Holy Communion Services.*

LECTIONARY FOR JULY - 2007

Date	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Epistle
1st Week	Ex. 36:1-7	Acts. 5:1-11	2 Cor. 9:6-15
2nd Week	Ex. 3:1-12	Acts. 9:10-18	2 Tim. 4:1-5
3rd Week	Mic. 6:1-8	Col. 1:9-23	1 Pet. 2:1-12
4th Week	Zeph. 3:14-20	Rom. 10:1-15	2 Jn. 1-11
5th Week	Gen. 7:1-16	1 Cor. 12:12-27	Acts. 2:37-47

Annual Edavaka Sanghom - 25.6.2007

The annual Edavaka Sanghom of our Parish will be held at 8.00 p.m., on Monday 25th June 2007 after the worship service at Church & Parish Hall, NECK, to approve the annual report and statement of accounts for the year 2006-07 and the budget for the fiscal year 2007-08. All members of the Edavaka Sanghom are requested to attend the meeting.



MAR THOMA SYRIAN CHURCH OF MALABAR

Kuwait Parish (ESTD. 1963)



JULY '07

ISSUE VII

Hearty welcome to our Asst. Vicar
Rev. Raju Thomas

Annual Edavaka Sanghom 25th June 2007

Home land fellowship 17th July 2007

New Members

Vicar

Rev. Joseph K. George
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Assistant Vicar

Rev. Raju Thomas
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Parish Bulletin

* PRAISE THE LORD*



Dearlly Beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Christ. It is a great honour for me to pen a few words in the monthly Bulletin of the Kuwait Mar Thoma Parish. I came here on 6th June 2007. Our Joseph.K.George Achen and Committee members received me at the airport .I am very happy to be

here with you in these days.I express my sincere gratitude to Rev-Joseph.K.George Achen and all the members of our church for the warm welcome given to me. I know that our Parish is one of the biggest Parishes in our Church. I am privileged to be here as one among you.

We are here because of the will of God. Almighty God allowed us to live here not only to make the means for our livelihood but also to be a good steward for Him in this place. Almighty God has sent us to this place. God is a sending God. God has sent His son Jesus in this world, and He inaugurated the works of Kingdom of God. Jesus has commissioned us to full fill the Kingdom of God. Jesus said to them 'as the father sent to me so I sent to you (John 20:21). Again Bible says 'Jesus drew near them and said 'I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth go them to all people's everywhere and make them my disciples,...baptise them in the name of the father, the Son and the Holy spirit and teach them to obey everything, I have commanded you. So Jesus set apart and called us to do His mission here in this place. What are the ways to do His mission here?

- 1) By being a member and continuing the work of the Kingdom of God through our Parish.
- 2) By doing His mission through the participation in fellowship ,breaking of the bread and the mission activities
- 3) By sharing our time, talent, possibilities and money with our Parish and others.
- 4) By witnessing as true Christian in 'word and deed'.

Let's go together in the activities of the Kingdom of God.

God bless you all

Raju Achen.

Dearlly Beloved in Christ,

With immense pleasure, I reach you through this page as the secretary of our parish. Obviously it is a privilege to all of us to be in Kuwait and to praise the Lord and serve this great parish in different ways. Let us thank the Lord Almighty for giving us the freedom to worship here as a Christian community and showering His abundant blessings.

The new office bearers and Kaisthana samithi assumed office on 1st June 2007. We are submitting ours elf in the Mighty Hands of God to perform the responsibilities in His way. Your sincere co-operation is requested to the successful execution of all the programmes scheduled for this year. The year plan for 2007-08 has been prepared and presented to the Kaisthana Samithi. The most important programme of this year is the celebration of our esteemed Metropolitan's Novathy. As per the Edavaka Sangham decision all the funds mobilised during this year by Church or Organisations through their special projects have to be canalised to the Novathy project. We are once again going to be blessed with our Metropolitan's visit during the month of October in connection with the Novathy celebrations. Let us continue to keep praying for Thirumeni and his forth coming visit to Kuwait.

The real success of our life lies on the retrieval of Human values which has been either lost or misplaced in most of our lives. As all of us aware that the amnesty has been declared in Kuwait up to 30th June, 2007 which could pave way for many to escape from sufferings and to reach back home. We could be proud off helping at least a few by providing air tickets with the 4th Friday Bucket collection. Let us continue to be the light of many with our dedicated service and extending support for this kind of noble acts.

If God willing, Edavaka Retreat and Retreat for Kaisthana Samithi, Office bearers for prayer Groups and organisations will be held as soon as possible after the Annual Edavaka Sangham.

As all of we know Rev. Raju Thomas achen has taken over as Asst; vicar on 6th June 2007. Let us whole heartedly welcome achen to our parish. We uphold Achen in our prayers to strengthen and guide him in serving our parish. Rev. Minoy.N.Krivilia achen is with us in connection with YBS. We extend a warm welcome to achen to our midst. The inaugural ceremony of KUVBS was held on 8th June 2007 with variety of programmes of our children.

Let me take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to the Vicars, Vica president, Secretary, Trustees, Lay Ministrants, Kaisthana Samithi members, Web master, Leaders of prayer groups and Organisations of 2006-07 for their dedicated service. May God bless each one of them. Kuwait Marthoma Home Land Fellowship-2007 will be held on 17th July 2007 at Charalikkunnu. All the members who are proceeding to India during this time may attend this fellowship meeting and get blessed.

The Annual Edavaka Sangham of our Parish will be held on 25th June 2007. Please pray for the smooth conducting of the Edavaka Sangham and for taking appropriate decisions in a cordial atmosphere.

Parish office facility is available on all the 4th Friday at NECK after the worship service. Please do visit our Parish Web site. www.kuwaitmarthoma.org

May God Bless us with a renovated vision which leads to eternity.

'Let us work together for the kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.'

With Prayerful regards

M.V.Varghese

Parish Secretary

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NEW MEMBERS

Mem.No.	Name	Prayer Goup	Mother Parish
30631	Mr. Vineeth Philip Mathew	Patmos	Karthikkappally
30641	Mr. Idichandi Raju	Bethani	Chathannoor-Christos
30651	Mr. Jeffrey Iype	Tabore	Othera Ebenezer
30661	Mr. Vinod Varghese Sam & Family	Bethesda	Karpuzha Salem

DEPENDENTS ADDED

Name	Prayer Group
Mrs. Achamma Samuel, W/o. Mr. V.T. Samuel	Agape
Rinta Ann Samuel, D/o. Mr. V.T. Samuel	Agape
Joel Jose, S/o. Mr. Jose Pappachan	Horeb

WELFARE SCHEMES OF OUR PARISH

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| 1. FAMILY BENEFIT SCHEME (FBS) | Offer a timely relief to the Bereaved family of any deceased member. |
| 2. GOOD SAMARITAN FUND | Offer a helping hand to the needy ones in our homeland |
| 3. TEMPORARY RELIEF FUND (KMTRF) | Extend support to those members who face temporary financial difficulties due to loss of job, accident, illness etc... |
| 4. REPATRIATION & RETURN TRIP ASSISTANCE FUND | Helps those members who could not visit their dear ones for a long time due to financial constrictions. Also help members who cannot return to India due to financial problems. |

CONGRATULATIONS

The results of CBSE, X, XII declared, many of our children came out with flying colors. We congratulate each one and pray to God Almighty to shower His heavenly wisdom for their bright future.

DAYS OF IMPORTANCE

- 1st July - Dashamsha Vihitham - Offertory Day
3rd July - St. Thomas Day

'Failure is never final for those who begin with God'

OBITUARY

The following members of our Parish have left to the Heavenly abode.



Mr. K.V. Mathew
Membership No. 17381
F/o. Mr. Blesson Mathew
Pullad



Mrs. Annie Mathew
Membership No. 312
W/o. Mr. Mathew Jacob
Kuzhikkala

CONDOLENCES

1. Mrs. Beena Abraham, Membership No. 23752, W/o. Mr. Tinku T. Thomas, Salem MTC, Konnappara, Thekkochanuvu.
2. Mr. Varghese Abraham (80), Ranni Vaikkom MTC, Puthenpurakkal, F/o. Mr. Jose PA., Gilead PG.
3. Mrs. Achamma Mathai (40), Parankamootil, Mulakkuzha, S/Law of Mr. Mathai Varghese, Peniel PG.
4. Mr. K.P. Mathew (76), Puthuppally, Kuttipurathu, F/Law of Mr. George Mathew, Peniel PG.
5. Mr. Oommen Joseph (43), Puthukkadu Jerusalem MTC, Lovedale, B/Law of Rev. Joseph K. George
6. Mr. K.M. Skariah (68), Santhipuram Bethel MTC, Kizhalkepparampil, F/o. Mr. Joji Skaria, Peniel PG.
7. Mrs. Rachel Abraham (80), Kuzhikkala MTC, Mavunilakkunnathil, F/o. Mr. Mathew K. Abraham, Agape PG.
8. Mr. John Jacob (53), Padinjattal, Dadar MTC, Bombay, B/o. Mr. Mammen Jacob, Salem PG.
9. Mr. K.S. Samuel (96), Puthenkavu Salem MTC, Kallumkal, F/o. Mr. K.S. Abraham, Mr. K.S. Ninan, St. John's PG.
10. Mrs. Sosamma Varghese (90), Maramon MTC, Parayil Nedyyamanni, M/o. Mr. Abraham Varghese, Patmos PG.
11. Mr. John Mathew (84), Mannamaruthi Bethel MTC, Kaitthavana, F/o. Mr. K.M. John, Gilead PG., Mr. Roy Mathew, Bethlehem PG., Mr. Thomas Mathew Hermon PG.
12. Mrs. Aleyamma Samuel (84), Elanthoor Melabaghnam MTC, G/M of Dr. Moncy Mathew, St. Luke PG.
13. Mrs. Sosamma Abraham (77), Valiyakalayil, Mylapra Salem MTC, Mother of Mr. PG. Abraham Varghese, St. James PG. & Mr. Sunny Abraham, Tabore PG.
14. Mr. B.K. Mathew (68), Koithodathu, Pulladu Sehon MTC, F/o. Mr. Alex, Koithodu, St. Mathews PG. & brother of Mrs. Lillykutty, St. John's PG. & Mrs. Jessy Mathew, Peniel PG.

We express our heart-felt condolences and prayer to all members of the bereaved families.

REGULAR PROGRAMMES

Sunday School	: Closed for summer vacation on 25th May 2007 and reopens on 07th Sep. 2007
Yuvajana Sakhyam	: All Saturdays, except 2nd Saturday, at 7.30 p.m. at Hall of Hope and on 2nd Fridays after Worship Service at Diwanija.
Choir	: Wednesdays - Junior Choir 6.00 p.m. & Senior Choir 7.30 p.m. at any one of the parsonages.
Ezavaka Mission	: Prayer meetings on all Thursdays 7.00 p.m. at Royal Hall, Abbassiya. Cottage Prayer Fellowship on 2nd Thursdays in Salmiya and 3rd Thursdays in City. Bible Class at 7.30 p.m. on 2nd Saturday at Hall of Hope.
Sevika Sangham	: Saturdays at 5.00 p.m. - Abbassiya - Tuesdays - Salmiya, Wednesdays - City (Activity Bldg. No. 3), 1st & 3rd Tuesdays - Rigga.
Senior Forum	: 7.30 p.m. on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at Hall of Hope.
Voluntary Mission	: Last Thursday at 7.00 p.m. Venue will be announced later.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAMME

Mar Thoma Sunday school Gulf Camp 2007 will be held at the Christian Educational centre, Charalkunnu from July 9th - 12th 2007.

All Sunday school students and their parents can attend this camp. Registration fee for the Camp is Rs.500/-. Please contact the Coordinator Ms.Wincy Job on the following Mobile number:9441481 for further information.

It would be appreciated if each member of the parish who are traveling this year would help in bringing the Sunday School Books for the Year 2007 from the CSM, Thiruvalla. Your involvement in this would be a great help for the Sunday School. Please see to that you may carry a packet of books containing 3 kg.

Convenor: Mr.C.P.Thomas - Tel.4317842, 9525721.

KUWAIT MAR THOMA HOME LAND FELLOWSHIP 2007

The home land fellowship of 2007 is scheduled to be held on 17th July 2007 at Christian Education Centre, Charalkunnu. All the members who are going to India may attend the fellowship. For further details contact Adv. P. John Thomas (Co-ordinator) Tel. 4337748, 9576162.

HEARTY WELCOME

The Kuwait Mar Thoma Parish extends a very hearty welcome to our new Asst. Vicar Rev. Raju Thomas. We wish and pray that his services to be more fruitful and blessed one for the parish and Christian community in general.

Office Bearers of Organizations for the year 2007 - 08

Savika Sangham

Vice President	Mrs. Gracy Alexander	2408116
Secretary	Mrs. Lillykutty Jacob	4318245
Joint Secretary	Mrs. Mariamma Geevarghese	4317069
Treasurer	Mrs. Sherin Saramma Jacob	4897549
Kaisthana Samithi Member	Mrs. Lilly Cherian	4801483
Choir Co-ordinator	Mrs. Mini Shaju Simon	4344613
Auditors	Mrs. Aleyamma Shaji	4348137
	Mrs. Sheeba Mathew	4898198

Senior Forum

Vice President	Mr. C.P.Thomas	4317842
Secretary	Dr. Mrs. Meenu Jacob	4346876
Joint Secretary	Mr. Raju Daniel	4315771
Treasurer	Mr. Raju Cherian	5613662
Accountant	Mr. Abraham K. Idiculla	2450932
Auditor	Mr. Idiculla Mathews	4330967

Choir

Choir Leader	William K. Daniel (Jose)	4315932
Choir Joint Leaders	Vinod T. Jacob	6777116
	Phillips Daniel (Kunju)	5617607
Secretary	Cherian V. Cherian (Vinoy)	5737357
Joint Secretary	Shibu P.George	4346982
Treasurer	Binu Thomas	5635311
Co-ordinator - Hope Group	George Varughese (Manju)	4316948
Co-ordinator - Peace Group + Kaisthanasamithi Member	Bobby George	4337928
Co-ordinator - Junior Choir	Alexander K. John (Alex)	5618021
Co-ordinator - Orchestration	Varghese PT (Gigy)	4319792

Congratulations to the new office bearers of Savika Sangham, Senior Forum and Choir, May God bless all of them.

CIRCULARS (KALPANA) RECEIVED

- The Most Rev. Dr. Philipose Mar Chrysostom Mar Thoma Metropolitan
1. Circular No. 192 dtd. 26-3-07 - Clergy transfer outside Kerala.
 2. Circular No. 193 dtd. 27-3-07 - Bhoobhavana Dhanam
 3. Circular No. 194 dtd. 03-5-07 - Clergy Sunday

Rt. Rev. Joseph Mar Bernabas - Diocesan Bishop

Ref. No. 170/2007 Allowing the new Kaisthana Samithi to assume the office from 1st June 2007.