



IMMANUEL
MARTHOMA CHURCH
HOUSTON TX



NEWSLETTER
JULY 2022



From the Asst. Vicars Desk



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Dearly beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our God and Savior Jesus Christ.

Glory be to God for giving me the opportunity to address our parish through this month's Newsletter. By the grace of God, we as a family were able to reach Houston on May 26th 2022.

There was so much of doubt due to continued expansion of Covid 19 in India. We are very thankful to God for blessing us as a family and helping us to reach here safely. Throughout our journey we experienced God's blessings.

I would like to thank Rev. Dr. Eappen Varghese Achen for leading all the arrangements that were made for us. Thank you to all the Office Bearers and Executive Committee Members for their support. Last not least thank to all Parish Members for their continued prayers.

May God in the days to come lead us, to work together for the growth of His Kingdom and the betterment of our parish.

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As we all know VBS is scheduled for 22nd, 23rd and 24th of this month. I prayerfully request all our dear parents in our Immanuel Family to send our beloved children for the VBS to learn the Word of God. We also encourage and look forward for all our adult members to participate in the adult VBS (School of Gamaliel) that will be held on July 22nd and July 23rd. May this year's VBS help us all in our constant spiritual growth. May we set a good spiritual example for our coming generations.

Together with Eappen Achen and family, I was able to visit a few houses in our parish. God willing in the coming days I will be able to see and get to know everyone in our parish. May we be able to continue to exist and grow spiritually by the power we receive through prayer. 'Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus' (1 Thessalonians.5:16-18). Let's come to the Church together. Let us worship God together.

May God bless you all.

Thank you

Rev. Santhosh Thomas

Asst. Vicar

WORSHIP SCHEDULE JULY 2022

<p>3-July</p>	<p>9.00 AM English HQ, assisted by Tabor Area Prayer Group</p>	<p>(St. Thomas the Apostle's Day, "Apostle Thomas - Faithful unto Death" Tithe Offering Day)</p>	<p>1st Lesson: 2nd Lesson: Epistle Gospel</p>	<p>Isa 52:7-15 1Thess 1:2-9 2Tim 3:10-17 John 11:10-16</p>
<p>10-July</p>	<p>9.00 AM Malayalam HQ, assisted by Bethel Area Prayer Group</p>	<p>(Priests: Ambassadors of Christ, Priest's Sunday)</p>	<p>1st Lesson: 2nd Lesson: Epistle Gospel</p>	<p>Ezek 33:1-7 1Pet 5:1-11 2Cor 5:14-21 John 10:1-11</p>
<p>17-July</p>	<p>9.00 AM English HQ, assisted by Bethlehem Area Prayer Group</p>	<p>(Anointing the Sick - Sacrament of Healing)</p>	<p>1st Lesson: 2nd Lesson: Epistle Gospel</p>	<p>Jer 8:15-22 Rev 22:1-5 Jas 5:13-20 Mark 6:7-13</p>
<p>24-July</p>	<p>9.00 AM Malayalam HQ, assisted by Carmel Area Prayer Group</p>	<p>(The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony)</p>	<p>1st Lesson: 2nd Lesson: Epistle Gospel</p>	<p>Gen 24:10-27 Heb 13:1-6 Eph 5:20-32 Matt 19:1-12</p>
<p>31-July</p>	<p>9.00 AM G3 SERVICE 10.00 AM English HQ, assisted by Ebenezer Area Prayer Group</p>	<p>(Theological Education for the Confirmation of Faith)</p>	<p>1st Lesson: 2nd Lesson: Epistle Gospel</p>	<p>Deut 6:1-13 Gal 3:1-14 1Cor 4:14-21 John 3:10-21</p>

STORY TIME



The Holy Bible is filled with amazing stories of Faith and Hope. Faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. There is an undeniably miraculous movement of God in response to the act of Faith.

One such amazing story of Faith is the “Story of Peter stepping out in faith [Mark 14:24-33]

Peter was Lord disciple and a fisherman by trade. One day he and other fellow disciples were on a boat out in the sea and suddenly an unexpected storm started approaching their boat. Seeing the rough waves, Peter and other disciples stared trembling with fear.

Then all of a sudden they noticed what had seemed to be a spirit, but then Jesus replied to them saying “Don’t be afraid, it is just me.” However, Peter being a little skeptical said, “Okay God if that is really you, ask me to come out on the water with you,” which Jesus then replied, “Come.”

Peter got out and was walking on the water, but when he felt the raging waves, he got distracted, which tampered with his faith, and so he began to sink.

While he was sinking he cried out to God for help, in which God stretched his hands to save him and said, “Your faith is so small, you stepped out without fear and was near to me, so where did this doubt come from?” And when they went back inside the boat they realized that He was truly the son of God.

Faith can move mountains. The Promises of our God always hold true for those who believe with all their heart.

JULY BIRTHDAY

Name	B day	B day	Name
Chinnamma John	1-Jul	7-Jul	Ajitha P. Kurian
Saramma Mathai			Sheeba E. Mathew
Bindu Anil Mathew			Noah Bobby Thomas
Mariamamma Chacko			Jerin Shibu
Dea G. Sanil			Mevin John Abraham
Gabriel Mathew		9-Jul	M. G. Mathew
Solly Saji	Amit G. Thomas		
Lynn A. Keerikattu	2-Jul	10-Jul	Sophie Rachel Abraham
Joel Sam Kalloor			Annamma Cherian
Bindu Philip			Hannah Michelle Thomas
Saji Pappachan		Smijo M. Mathew	
Abey V. Kunjumon	3-Jul	11-Jul	Sera Susan Samuel
Christina Jose			Ethan Kulkarni
Christina Roy Thomas			Samuel Jose George
Melvin Monecy Joseph	Benzy K. John		
Shikha S. Thomas	4-Jul	12-Jul	Susan Mathew
Leema Elsa Binu			Annamma John
Matthew Kanankara Abraham	Nickel Mathew Thomas		
Sibi Abraham	Stanley Varghese		
John Jacob (Sanal)	5-Jul		Olivia Royce Green
Prince Jacob		Leha Susan Varghese	
Apoorva Anne Varghese		Aiden Aby George	
Namrata Susan Varghese		Nithin Cherian Mathew	
Sunu Cherian			
Kuriakose Thottyil			
Greyson Mammen Mathew	6-Jul		

JULY BIRTHDAY (Cont'd)

Name	B day	B day	Name
Vinu Jacob Mathew	13-Jul	19-Jul	Meenu A. Varghese
Betty C. Thottiyil			Austin S. Alexander
John Varghese			Kunjumol Varughese
Haley Nicole Sooudi			Saramma Philipkutty
Maya Roy			Varghese Sebastian
Abbey Joseph			Sibi P. Mathew
John Abraham			Elena Sarah Thomas
Kurian George			George Varghese
Sujamol John	14-Jul	20-Jul	Jeryil Zachariah
Sam Chacko	15-Jul		Sam Rajan Daniel
Jijo Philip Varughese		21-Jul	Rency Liju
Jacob Chacko			Elijah Philip Ninan
Monachan Thomas			Hannah Susan George
Roni Mathew			Bindhu Samuel
Beena Abraham	Roshu Thomas		
Navid Jacob John	16-Jul		22-Jul
Jeena Jose		Annie Jacob	
Bincy Mathew		Niya Esther Mammen	
Isac Thomas	17-Jul	23-Jul	Lijoy Samuel
Roji Mathew			Jerin C. John
Jesmin Aju John			
Jisie David			

JULY BIRTHDAY (Cont'd)

Name	B day	B day	Name	
Mariamamma George	24-Jul	28-Jul	Annamma Thomas	
Sheba A. Kuriakose		29-Jul	David Kalathoor	
Ajay Thomas		30-Jul	Joe Joseph	
Sneha Abraham			Saramma Mathew	
Roshini E. Joseph			Max M. Philip	
Saji Mathew	25-Jul	31-Jul	Merina A. Thomas	
Susan Mathew	26-Jul		Annie H. Joseph	
Geeta Mammen			Melwin Thomas Kondoor	
Dr. Cherry Mathew			Rebecca George	
Mercy Binoy			Jenna Joe George	
Biju Abraham			27-Jul	Susan Thomson
Elvin Varghese Mathews				
Sony Sam Jacob				
Anit Susan Abraham				
Justin Samuel				
Reena Varghese				
Liya Marrie Kalathoor				
Jaiden Nithan Jacob				
Grace Maria Chandy				
Eva Susan Jacob				

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

ID	Name	Spouse	Wed day
204	Alexander Samuel	Sheela	1-Jul
395	Benny Kalathoor	Liny	
149	Thomas A. Samuel	Leela	2-Jul
462	Johnson Thomas	Ambili	
323	Vivekanand V. Shetty	Dr. Jessie	3-Jul
153	John P. Thomas	Mariamamma	5-Jul
358	Mohan John Thomas	Mariamamma	
392	Thompson Jacob	Dr.Reena	6-Jul
241	Sam Mathew	Rachel	7-Jul
149	Jim Thomas	Maya	8-Jul
444	Rupesh Koshy	Mekha	
477	Titus George Eapen	Seena	9-Jul
491	Anub Philip	Rimla	
602	George T. Justin Thadikkal	Jeena	
337	Shiju Oommen	Binsu	10-Jul
365	Abraham Kurien	Ann	
425	Aby Pappachen	Sheeba	
374	Abraham V. Komattu	Ansu	11-Jul
520	John Varghese	Sunila	
587	Shibu Thomas	Jessica	
646	Sachin Kulkarni	Bini George	
221	Joseph Varghese	Betsy	12-Jul
530	George P. Thomas	Sheena	
625	Abraham K.M	Aleyamma	
227	Mathew V. Varghese	Grace	13-Jul
518	John Jesson	Mariamamma	16-Jul
283	Samuel Abraham	Omana	17-Jul

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY (Cont'd)

ID	Name	Spouse	Wed day
103	T. I. Rajan	Saramma	18-Jul
178	Thomas O. Keerikattu	Suja	
528	Jose P. Abraham	Nidhi	
533	Mullasariil Abraham Joseph	Beena	
619	Bibin George	Angie	
190	Thomas Thyparampil	Sarah	19-Jul
230	Mathew Philip	Annie	20-Jul
115	Thakadiyil V. Mathew	Elizabeth	
486	Sajeev G. Kutty	Jolly	
595	Binu George	Animole	
191	Chacko Jacob	Deena	
270	Jojoy John	Dr. Lydia	21-Jul
501	Bobby Thomas	Benzy	22-Jul
345	Mathew T. Scaria	Lizy	
457	Arun Koshy	Mariamamma	
152	Bob Varghese	Sarah	
200	Binoy George	Mercy	
215	Jackson V. Jacob	Annamma	23-Jul
111	Joseph Chandy	Mariamamma	
233	Cherian Zachariah	Annamma	
352	David J. Mannukaden	Shiney	
644	John Joseph	Mary	
176	Mathew Abraham	Gracy	25-Jul
177	John Chacko	Chinnamma	26-Jul
428	Dr. Anil T Mathew	Sonu	
134	Sanoj J. Eapen	Tessy	
483	Sibi P. Mathew	Selena	
541	Abraham Mathew	Siby	
471	Abi Philip	Leena	29-Jul
192	Johnny M. Mathew	Achamma	30-Jul
237	Raju Abraham	Susan	
137	Chacko Kurian	Sosamma	
			31-Jul

ORGANIZATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Edavaka Mission	Edavaka Mission Prayer Meeting on July 7th, July 14th, July 21st and July 28th at 7:00 PM. Edavaka Mission and Sevikasanghom half day Retreat at Trinity MTC on July 16th from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM.
Senior Fellowship	Monthly Prayer Meeting on July 2nd at 10:00AM at Church.
Sevikasanghom	Monthly Prayer Meeting on July 9th at 9:00AM. Adult VBS on July 22nd and July 23rd.
Sunday School	VBS July 22nd, July 23rd & July 24th.
Youth Fellowship	IBL/IVL leagues have both commenced. Games start at 2:00 PM every Sunday at the Chancellor Family Center.
IMAFF	Monthly Prayer Meeting on July 15th at 7:30 PM at Church.

BIBLE QUIZ FOR JULY 2022

Bible portion Nehemiah 1-13 chapters

1. What did Hanani report to Nehemiah about Jerusalem and Jews that survived the exile?
2. Who became angry and ridiculed Jews when he heard about rebuilding the wall?
3. How many days Nehemiah and his people take to rebuild the wall?
4. "Be still, for this is a sacred day, Do not grieve". Who said this calming statement to Israelites?
5. God had given Jews great joy. The sound of rejoicing in Jerusalem could be heard far away. What was the occasion?



Answers for June Bible Quiz. [Book of Ezra]

1. 1:1-3, 2. 5:16, 3. 6:14, 4. 10:1, 5. 10:4

CONDOLENCES



Mr. George Kurian 77 years old brother of Mr. John Kurian ID# 302 of Horeb Area Prayer Group was taken into heavenly abode. Funeral was held in Kerala.



Mr. John Mathew 76 years old brother of Mr. Raju John ID# 296 of Sehion Area Prayer Group and brother-in-law of Mr. E. K. Kurian ID# 340 of Hebron Area Prayer Group was taken into heavenly abode. Funeral was held in Kerala.



Rev. Decon T. S. Varghese the founder of St. Mary's Malankara Orthodox Church Houston and one of the founding member of ICECH 80 years old brother-in-law of Mr. Thomas M Koshy and Mrs. Aleyamma Koshy and uncle of Susmy Prasanth ID# 429 was taken into heaven-ly abode. Funeral was held in Houston.

The Vicar, Asst. Vicar & Members of the Immanuel Mar Thoma Church Houston express our heartfelt condolences to the bereaving families. Kindly uphold the bereaving families in your prayers for heavenly peace.

IMPORTANT DATES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	SENIOR FELLOWSHIP PRAYER MEETING @ 10.00 AM
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
HQ SERVICE IN ENGLISH @ 9.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	HQ SERVICE IN MALAYALAM @ 10.00 AM MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	EDAVAKA MISSION PRAYER MEETING @ 7.00 PM MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM FASTING PRAYER @ 10.00 AM	SEVIKASANGHOM PRAYER MEETING @ 9.00 AM
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
HQ SERVICE IN MALAYALAM @ 9.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	EDAVAKA MISSION PRAYER MEETING @ 7.00 PM MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MAFF PRAYER MEETING @ 7.30 PM MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM FASTING PRAYER @ 10.00 AM	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
HQ SERVICE IN ENGLISH @ 9.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	EDAVAKA MISSION PRAYER MEETING @ 7.00 PM HQ SERVICE IN MALAYALAM @ 10.00 AM	ADULT VBS SUNDAY SCHOOL VBS MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	ADULT VBS SUNDAY SCHOOL VBS
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
HQ SERVICE IN MALAYALAM @ 9.00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL VBS	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM SENIORS MEETING @ 10.00 AM	EDAVAKA MISSION PRAYER MEETING @ 7.00 PM MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM	MORNING PRAYERS @ 6.00 AM FASTING PRAYER @ 10.00 AM	
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G3 SERVICE @ 9.00 AM HQ SERVICE IN ENGLISH @ 10.00 AM						

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