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**2025 – YEAR OF DEDICATION**

“.....speak, for your servant is listening.....”

[1 Samuel 3:10]





## Presbyter's Desk

Dearly Beloved,

Greetings to you all in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ!

Easter denotes east, the direction to which Christians turn to pray. The reason is that sunrise reminded them the resurrection the Lord Jesus Christ for whom the title “the Sun of Righteousness” was claimed by Christians from the Old Testament prophets, “But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall arise, with healing in its wing.” (Malachi 4:2). Accordingly, the church buildings were built with alter facing east, and even if the alter was not on the eastern direction yet that end of the church was called east-end.

The festival Easter is at the heart of Christian faith. Here God’s plan of our salvation is finally revealed. In fact each Sunday is an Easter. For this reason, Sunday is never a day for fasting even in the lent time. We will recall that Easter was celebrated the resurrection of the Lord Jesus in the Christian festival of Passover. You will remember that God passed over Egypt killing the first born but sparing the homes splashed with the blood of the lamb. This was a full moon night for the Hebrews

to start their journey to the land of liberty. Jesus also made his journey from death to life on Jewish Passover on the full moon night. Hence the Easter is also kept on a Sunday after the full moon night at the end of spring (lent) season. This could be any night after the 20 th of March. Easter is the Sunday after the full moon night. If the full moon is on a Sunday, then the Easter is on the following Sunday. This was to ensure that the Easter celebration avoids coinciding with the Jewish Passover. That is why date for Easter keeps shifting every year.

God created the world out of nothing, but later the people of God were made slaves in Egypt, the God were made slaves in Egypt, then God saved them freed them from Pharaoh. They travelled through the water of the Red Sea to promised land of Canaan. The readings (Genesis 1:15, 26-28,31, Exodus 4:27-5:1, Exodus 14:21-31, Romans 6:3-11 and Matthew 28:1-10) then tell the story of Jesus and his journey through death and resurrection which completes our salvation from the power of tyranny, sin and death. All these symbolize Christian baptism. Easter is a special day for Baptizing people. In our Baptism we also die to our old nature and like Christ we are resurrected to a new life. We also are freed from slavery of this sinful world and we enter the liberty of the Church of God. What happened to the Lord Jesus Christ occurs in us too. In this way we are joined to Christ in His death and His life.

Yours in His Ministry,

Rev. Sam Raju

# NEWS&EVENTS

## Almanac for the month of April 2025

Date	Name of Sunday	Theme	Lessons
06/04/25	Passion Sunday	Cross and a New Paradigm to Discipleship	Genesis 26:12-33 Psalm 92 2 Corinthians 11:21-31 Mark 10:46-52
13/04/25	Palm Sunday	Hosanna: Lord Save Us	Zechariah 9:1-12 Psalm 118:19-29 1 Timothy 4:6-16 Luke 19:29-40
17/04/25	Maundy Thursday	Eucharist: Communion of Suffering Humanity	Exodus 14:15-22 Psalm 116 1 Corinthians 11:23-34 Mark 14:17-25
18/04/25	Good Friday	Cross: Accomplishment of Salvation	Exodus 14:15-22 Psalm 22 Hebrew 13:8-17 John 19:23-30
20/04/25	Easter	Resurrection: Celebration Boundless Transformation	2 Samuel 22:1-20 Psalm 16 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 Mark 16:1-11
27/04/25	1 st Sunday after Easter	Empowered by the Risen Lord	Genesis 28:10-22 Psalm 29 Acts 20:7-112 John 20:24-29



**Women's Fellowship Sunday :** It was observed on 02nd March 2025. The theme for this year was "Remember and Celebrate the Ministry of Women". As per the tradition, WF members led various parts of the worship service. Women's Sunday Tin-collection is utilized for the various Mission fields projects.

**Holy Week Services:** All our members are requested to attend the following services.

Monday -14 th April 7.30 pm – Prayer Group 1

Tuesday -15 th April 7.30 pm – Prayer Group 2

Wednesday -16 th April 7.30 pm – Prayer Group 3

Maundy Thursday – 17 th April 7.30 pm – Holy Communion @ Church

Good Friday – 18 th April 9.30 am @ Church

Easter – 20 th April 7.30 am – Holy Communion @ Church

**Self- Denial Offering:** As you all know the Self -Denial cover collection is earmarked for the Mission activities. All our members are requested to observe the lent meaningfully and submit the self-denial cover on Good Friday.



# Birthday Greetings To

03/04/2025	Mrs. Susy Sarah John	W/o Mr. John K. Abraham
04/04/2025	Mrs. Mercy Joshua	W/o Mr. C.J. Joshua
06/04/2025	Mrs. Susan Jacob	W/o Mr. Raju Jacob
06/04/2025	Mrs. Sneha V. Mathews	W/o Mr. Nirmal Abraham
07/04/2025	Mrs. Rohini Saha	W/o Mr. Saju Mathai
08/04/2025	Mr. Linsu Koshy	S/o Mr. Koshy K. Koshy
14/04/2025	Mr. Vishal V. Roy	
14/04/2025	Miss. Nandita S. Sivakumar	D/o Dr. Sivakumar
16/04/2025	Mrs. Daisy Chacko	W/o Mr. Kuruvilla M. Chacko
17/04/2025	Mast. Nohan Joshua Jacob	S/o Mr. Jacob P. Joshua
17/04/2025	Miss. Angelina Susanne Thomas	D/o Mr. Thomas P. Joshua
18/04/2025	Mrs. Ruby Philip	W/o Mr. Philip C. Paul
19/04/2025	Mr. Jacob P. Joshua	
20/04/2025	Mr. Jacob George (Biju)	
22/04/2025	Mr. Shaji P. Kurian	
24/04/2025	Mrs. Leela A. Thomas	W/o Mr. Abraham Thomas
25/04/2025	Mr. Varkey John	
28/04/2025	Mr. K.C. Thomas	



# Wedding Anniversary

## Greetings To

06/04/2025	Mr. K.M Thomas & Mrs. Leenu Thomas
06/04/2025	Mr. Ashish Thomas & Mrs. Jiby Thomas
07/04/2025	Mr. Rajan Varghese & Mrs. Daisy Rajan
11/04/2025	Mr. Jacob G. George & Mrs. Sophy Jacob
12/04/2025	Mr. Jeril Jacob & Mrs. Sherin Jacob
16/04/2025	Mr. Jacob Roy & Mrs. Maria Jacob
20/04/2025	Mr. Raju Jacob & Mrs. Susan Jacob
20/04/2025	Mr. Oommen Thomas & Mrs. Geny Thomas
20/04/2025	Mr. George Koruth & Mrs. Sharon Ann Abraham
21/04/2025	Mr. Jeevan Jacob & Mrs. Jincy Jeevan
22/04/2025	Mr. C.V. John & Mrs. Annamma John





Welcome to the newly weds Athulya and Ashwin



Welcome to the newly weds Paul and Marion



# Women's Day Pictures











Youth Fellowship visited the Mission to the Blind, Najafgrah