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“.....Restore us, O God.....”

(Psalm 80:3)





Presbyter's Desk

Dearly beloved in Christ,

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

“To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven” (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

We are entering the period of Lent with the Ash Wednesday falling on 18th of this month. Lent is a season - a time God gives us to pause, reflect, and return. The Book of Ecclesiastes speaks powerfully to this season because it confronts the truth of human life: its limits, its emptiness without God, and its deep longing for meaning.

“Vanity of vanities, all is vanity” (Ecclesiastes 1:2). This is not a cry of despair, but an honest confession. During Lent, we are invited to examine our lives and ask: What are we chasing that does not satisfy? Wealth, status, pleasure, and endless activity cannot fill the emptiness of human heart. Lent calls us to let go of what is temporary and turn again to what is eternal.

Ecclesiastes also teaches us humility: “God is in heaven and you are on earth, so let your words be few” (5:2). Lent is not about many words or outward show, but about silent repentance, sincere prayer, and a heart

that listens to God. Fasting, prayer, and self-denial help us rediscover reverence before God.

The book reminds us of fragility: “Remember your Creator in the days of your youth” (Ecclesiastes 12:1). Lent confronts us with our mortality – we are dust and to dust we shall return. This awareness is not meant to frighten us, but to awaken us to live wisely, faithfully, and obediently before God.

Finally, Ecclesiastes points us to the true purpose of life: “Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of humanity” (12:13). As we journey through Lent, let us turn away from empty pursuits and return to God with whole hearts. Let this season be a time to fear God, trust Him deeply, and prepare ourselves to rejoice in the hope of resurrection through Jesus Christ.

Lent is a season not of loss, but of rediscovery – rediscovering God, faith, and the meaning of life.

Yours in His Ministry,
Rev. Sam Raju

NEWS & EVENTS

CCONDOLENCES: The congregation express its deepest condolences to the family of Mrs. Rachel Poulse (Former member of our parish) who was called into eternal rest on 5th January 2026. The Funeral Service was held at St. Peter's CSI Church, Konnathady (East Kerala Diocese) on 6th January 2026. May the Lord Almighty comfort the family members with everlasting peace.

HOLY MATRIMONY: Congregation extends its good wishes the newly married couples;

Mr. Jibin Daniel & Mrs. Rency Jacob

Mrs. Shamna Ebi John & Mr. Milton Devadasan

VISIT TO THE AFGAN REFUGEES TAILORING : Our members visited the Afgan Refugees Tailoring Centre, Tilak Nagar with Youth For Christ members. Rev. Luke Titus of the IEM explained the work among the refugees to the visitors.

ECUMENICAL SUNDAY : Combined worship service in CSI order was held at St. Stephen's Marthoma Church, Mayur Vihar Phase -3 on 18th January. Our Church members actively participated in the worship service.

REPUBLIC DAY FLAG HOISTING: Republic Day flag hoisting was done to Achan in the presence of some of the Church members.

CLEANING OF CHURCH PREMISES: Our Church members actively participated in the cleaning activities of the church on 26th January. A big thanks to all the members for their participation.

WORSHIP BY GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL: Members from Gideons International lead the worship services on 25th January. Bro. Ashwin Massey led the worship services and Mrs. Sarah Handley conducted a counselling session for the youth members.

FAMILY SUNDAY: February First Sunday (01/02/2026) is scheduled to be observed as Family Sunday. Rev. Thomas Rinu Varghese (Faculty, Dharma Jyoti Vidya Peeth, Faridabad) will be the guest speaker. All the families are requested to attend the church service, talent show & lunch thereafter.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY: 01st March 2025 is scheduled to be observed as Women's Fellowship Sunday. Women's Fellowship members will be leading the worship service. Encourage all the women in the church to bring any possible homemade items for the fellowship. Auction will commence soon after the service. The major part of the collection is earmarked for mission fields. All are requested to attend the service & lunch thereafter.

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING: As the financial year ends on 31st March 2026, request all members to consult with the Treasurer, Mr. Sunil George and settle their dues/accounts (subscription, harvest festival, auction etc.) as early as possible.

Those who wish to remit their contributions directly to Church Bank Account may do so by remitting to:

BANK : FEDERAL BANK

BRANCH : MAYUR VIHAR

A/C NAME : IMMANUEL CNI MALAYALAM PARISH

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Members are requested to intimate your remittances to Treasurer (Mr. Sunil George) through WhatsApp No. 9650078687.

Almanac for the month of February 2026

Date	Name of Sunday	Theme	Lessons
01/02/26	Family Sunday	Family: Celebration of Relationships	Zechariah 8:1-8 Psalm 128 Galatians 6:1-10 Mark 3:31-35
08/02/26	Healing Ministry Sunday	Compassion: Loving and Suffering Together	Isaiah 42:1-9 Psalm 103:1-14 James 5:13-18 Matthew 9:35-38
15/02/26	7th Sunday before Easter	Faithful Witness: Boldness in Faith and Service	Isaiah 58:1-10 Psalm 100 Acts 6:54-60 Luke 12:4-12
22/02/26	(Joint Service with Ashirwad CNI Church)	Call to be Compassionate	Ruth 2:4-20 Psalm 145 Ephesians 4:25-32 Mark 1:40-45
01/03/26	1st Sunday in Lent	The Role of Women in Restoration	2 Kings 8:1-6 Psalm 71:12-24 Romans 16:1-7 Matthew 26:6-13



Birthday Greetings To

01/02/26	Mrs. Valsamma Shaji	W/o Shaji John
03/02/26	Mrs. Elizabeth Jose	W/o M.A. Jose
07/02/26	Mrs. Princy Mathews	W/o Anish C. Mathews
14/02/26	Mr. Sunil George	
16/02/26	Mr. Nripin J.C	
17/02/26	Mrs. Daisy Sunil	W/o Mr. Sunil George
17/02/26	Mrs. Lucy Johnson	W/o Mr. K.C. Johnson
17/02/26	Mast. Ryan Mathai	S/o Mr. Saju Mathai
23/02/26	Mr. M.C. Mathew	
23/02/26	Ms. Jessica Grace Nishanth	D/o Nishanth Abraham
23/02/26	Ms. Michelle Reba Alex	D/o Dr. Melvin Alex Abraham
26/02/26	Mast. Adam John Christy	S/o Mr. Christymon K. John



08/02/26	Mr. John Thomas & Mrs. Priya Elizabeth John
14/02/26	Mr. Reji Chacko & Mrs. Rani Reji
14/02/26	Mr. Nithin K. Chandy & Mrs. Lincy Nithin
21/02/26	Mr. Joshua C.J. & Mrs. Mercy Joshua
22/02/26	Mr. Paul Jacob & Mrs. Marion Christine Jeanne Ferrara
23/02/26	Mr. Anish C. Mathews & Mrs. Princy Mathews
28/02/26	Mr. M.A. Jose & Mrs. Elizabeth Jose



With Afgan refugees at Tilak Nagar



Church Service by Gideon's International



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FAMILY SUNDAY
1ST FEB. 2026



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Flag hoisting

Church cleaning by our members



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