

MESSAGE

Beloved Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

There was once a sanyasi at an ashram who decided to have a cat as a pet. He, along with his disciples, pampered the cat quite a lot. However, at prayer times, the cat would get quite fussy and disrupt the silent meditations by its many gimmicks. Finally, when the cat's playfulness had crossed limits, the sanyasi decided to restrain the cat under a basket at prayer times. This practice continued henceforth. One fine day, a few years later, the sanyasi passed away. Gradually, under the guidance of a new sanyasi, several other aspirants joined the ashram. Finally one day, the cat too died. Shattered at this loss, the sanyasi and his disciples found themselves in an unprecedented situation that challenged their traditions. "How could prayers be said if there was no cat to be put under a basket?" They hence bought a new cat, put it under the basket, and happily carried on with their prayers.

The liturgical year of the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church begins with the Feast of Sanctification (*Koodosh Eetho*), which falls on the first Sunday between October 30 and November 5. This year, we celebrated *Koodosh Eetho* on the 30th of October.

We are the 'Body of Christ' which has been sanctified by Christ through His sacrifice. It is hence our responsibility to be Holy. Beyond the usual Church routines, we must aim towards a holistic deification (to be God-like). This month we also celebrate the memory of the blessed St. Gregorios of Parumala, who led an exemplary life providing us a model of our Christian ethos.

May this *Koodosh Eetho* be a renewed beginning for all of us. May it not just be the sanctification of the Church as a building, but rather the sanctification of our lives, both individually and communally as the Body of Christ.

May the invisible right hand of the Blessed Trinity guide us at all times.

Fr. Stanly David James

SCHEDULE OF HOLY QURBANA

DATE	DAY	TIME	VENUE
4-Nov-16	Friday	5:00AM - 7:30AM	St. Paul's Church
5-Nov-16	Saturday	Postponed to Sunday	
6-Nov-16	Sunday	6:30PM - 8.:00PM	Mahboulah
11-Nov-16	Friday	5:00AM - 8:30AM	St. Paul's Church
12-Nov-16	Saturday	6:30PM - 8.:00PM	St. Paul's Church
17-Nov-16	Thursday	8:00PM - 10:00PM	St. Paul's Church
19-Nov-16	Saturday	6:30PM - 8.:00PM	St. Paul's Church
25-Nov-16	Friday	5:30AM - 9:00AM	St. Paul's Church
26-Nov-16	Saturday	6:30PM - 8.:00PM	St. Paul's Church

Prayer at St.Thomas Prayer hall Mehboulah -
Every Sunday @ 7 PM

SPECIAL PRAYER

BIRTHDAY & WEDDING ANNIVERSARY	11th & 25th November 2016
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YOUTH MOVEMENT

DATE	TIME	PROG.	VENUE
8-Nov-16	7:00PM - 8:30PM	Monthly Meeting	Parsonage
28-Nov-16	7:00PM - 8:00PM	Camp Prayer	KCC, Mina Abdullah
WEDNESDAY	6:30PM - 7:15PM	Evening Prayer	Parsonage

CHURCH CHOIR (Snr.& Junior)

DATE	TIME	PROG.	VENUE
Thursday (Snr.)	5 PM- 6 PM	Choir Practice (Snr.)	Parsonage
16-Nov-16	5 PM- 6.30PM	Choir Practice (Jnr.)	Parsonage

MARTHA MARIYAM SAMAJAM

DATE	TIME	PROG.	VENUE
4-Nov-16	3:00PM - 5:00PM	Monthly Meeting	Parsonage

M G O C S M

DATE	TIME	PROG.	VENUE
18-Nov-16	9.30 AM- 11 AM	Monthly Meeting	Parsonage



**ST. THOMAS INDIAN ORTHODOX
(PAZHAYA PALLY) - AHMADI**

SNEHA SANDESHAM



November 2016

BIBLE VERSE

"Fear not, for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God: I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand " Isaiah 41:10

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

"It's very easy to give example, but it's very difficult to become an example."

COTTAGE PRAYER (Time 5:30PM to 7:00PM)

Prayer Group	Date	Name	Address
St. Thomas (Mangaf Block-4 South)	11-Nov-16	 Harvest Festival 	
	25-Nov-16	Mr. James George (Mem # 339)	Mangaf, Block - 4, Street - 21, Bldg. - 52, Floor - 2, Flat - 3, Mob.: 66069188 , 23726861.
St. Paul's (Mangaf Block-4 North)	4-Nov-16	Mr. Thomas Panicker (Mem # 800)	Mangaf, Block - 4, Street - 28, Bldg.34 - Al-Habdan Complex, Floor -6, Flat - A- 62, Mob.: 97203939,
	18-Nov-16	Mr. Sumith Raju (Mem # 449)	Mangaf, Block - 4, Street - 25, Bldg. - 159, Floor - 3, Flat - 7, Mob.: 97620246, 23711861
St. Mary's (Fahaheel, Ahmadi & Mangaf Block-3)	11-Nov-16	 Harvest Festival 	
	25-Nov-16	Mr. Monachan George (Mem # 167)	Fahaheel , Block - 10, Street - 9, Bldg. - 19, Floor - 1, Flat - 5, Mob.:66436103,23924932
St. Gregorious (Mehboulah & AbuHalifa Blk-2 North)	4-Nov-16	Mr. Jinu George Joseph (Mem# 460)	Mahboulah, Block - 3, Street - 317, Bldg. - 16, Floor - 4 , Flat - 17, Mob.: 66462357, 65113132.
	18-Nov-16	Mr. Mohan M. George (Mem# 341)	Mahboulah, Block - 1, Street - 141, Bldg. - 238, Floor - 2 , Flat - 6, Mob.: 66812307.
St. Dionysius (AbuHalifa Blk-1 & Blk-2 South)	11-Nov-16	 Harvest Festival 	
	25-Nov-16	Dr. Zachariah Koshy (Mem # 536)	AbuHaleefa, Block - 1, Street - 37, Bldg. - 802, Floor - 6, Flat - 29, Mob.:97389671, 23721734 .
St. John's (Mangaf Block 3&4)	4-Nov-16	Mr. Manoj Maveli (Mem # 349)	Mangaf, Block - 4, Street - 60 , Bldg - 8, Floor - 1, Flat - 1, Mob.: 66764173 , 23740793
	18-Nov-16	Mr. Sabu C. Varghese. (Mem# 380)	Mangaf, Block - 3, Street - 28, Bldg. - 183, Floor - 4, Flat - 4, Mob.: 97138505 , 23730981
St. George (Salmiya & Abbassia)	18 -Nov-2016 7:00PM - 8:30PM	Mr. Anish Jacob Mani (Mem# 796)	Abassiya, Block - 4, Street - 18 , Bldg - 70, Floor -Ground Floor, Flat - 49, Mob.: 65035187

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879	Roshan Kuriakose	Kottayam	96082784
880	Roger Rajan	Bhopal	50334641
881	Sunil V. Iype	Niranam	60746807

TRANSPORTATION

Those who need Transportation for Attending Holy Qurbana at Church Please Register your Name in Church Office



CHURCH CALENDAR

2-Nov-16	St. Gregorios Perunal Parumala
4-Nov-16	Commemoration Of Stephanous Mar Theodosius
6-Nov-16	Hoodosh Eetho
8-Nov-16	Commemoration H.H. Baselios Marthoma Mathews 1 Catholicos
13-Nov-16	Annunciation to Zachariah & Feast of St. John Chrysostom
20-Nov-16	Annunciation to St. Mary
27-Oct-16	St. Mary Visits Elizabeth

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1-Nov-16	Convention@ St. Paul's Church Ahmadi
2-Nov-16	Convention@ St. Paul's Church Ahmadi
3-Nov-16	Convention@ St. Paul's Church Ahmadi
4-Nov-16	St. Gregorios Perunal
11-Nov-16	Harvest Festival on 11th November @ Pakistan Academic School Ahmadi (Near Sultan Center)