

## SCHEDULE OF HOLY QURBANNA

DATE	DAY	TIME	VENUE
07/03/14	FRIDAY	5:30AM - 7:30AM	St. Paul's Church
14/03/14	FRIDAY	6:00AM - 9:30AM	St. Paul's Church
20/03/14	THURSDAY	8:00PM - 9:30PM	St. Paul's Church
25/03/14	TUESDAY	5:30AM - 7:30AM	Parsonage
		6:30PM - 9:00PM	Marthoma Hall
28/03/14	FRIDAY	5:45AM - 9:30AM	St. Paul's Church

## SPECIAL PRAYER

BIRTHDAY	14th & 28th March, 14
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY	14th & 28th March, 14

## YOUTH MOVEMENT

DATE	TIME	PROG.	VENUE
17/03/14	7:00PM - 8:30PM	MONTHLY MEETING	PARSONAGE
WED	6:30PM - 8:00PM	BIBLE STUDY	PARSONAGE

## EVENING PRAYER

DAYS	TIME	VENUE
SATURDAYS	6:30PM - 7:30PM	St. Paul's Church

## OFFICE BEARERS

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## Vicar's Message



Beloved Brothers & Sisters in Christ,  
Greetings of Lord Jesus.

We are on the way to greet the Great Lent. The thought of Lent is received in vivid moods by the members of our Church. For some families it is accepted with great joy and readiness, while for many these days are days of hardships and torment; Particularly our young generation who do not know what is hunger and to them who cannot abscond from having rich and delicious food. But why is the Church keen in observing the Lents? The Lent days brings a sudden change in our life style. We have a different set of prayers. Our food habits change. These are the days when we can try to evaluate ourselves. Just as crude oil gets refined through various process in a refinery and becomes a useful commodity; in the same way we are to be refined through the days of the Lent. Just as the crude is filtered and the impurities are removed through various processes, Lent & Prayers should be the filters to refine our life. 2Cor 5:17 says "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come The old has gone, the new is here". We should reflect Christ through us.

There was once a man called Alexander who was a Prisoner of war. To a question of the meaning of his life Alexander opened his wallet, took out a small, round mirror and held it up for everyone to see. During the war he was just a small boy when he came across a motorcycle wreck. The motorcycle had belonged to German soldiers. Alexander saw pieces of broken mirrors from the motorcycle lying on the ground. He tried to put them together but couldn't, so he took the largest piece and scratched it against a stone until its edges were smooth and it was round. He used it as a toy, fascinated by the way he could use it to shine light into holes and crevices.

He kept that mirror with him as he grew up, and over time it came to symbolize something very important. It became a metaphor for what he might do with his life.

"I am a fragment of a mirror whose whole design and shape I do not know. Nevertheless, with what I have I can reflect light into the dark places of this world-into the black places in the hearts of men-and change some things in some people".

Let us try to refine ourselves & be Mirrors through this Great Lent & reflect the Love of Christ to the whole world.

May God Bless us. With Prayers,  
Peace be to you all.

Yours in Christ

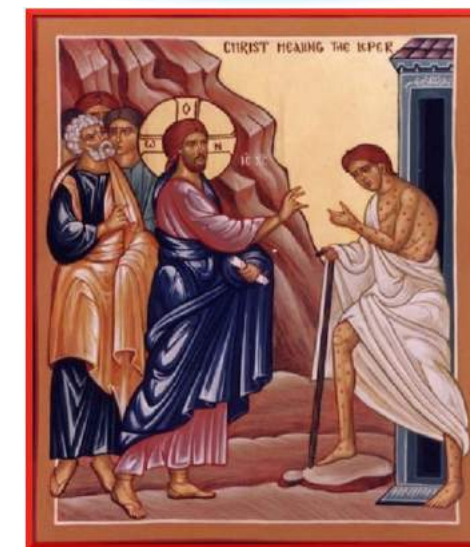
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**March - 2014**

## BIBLE VERSE

But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.'" - *Matthew 4:4*

## THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

"The 40 days leading up to Easter can be most life-giving, perspective-changing, hope-filled days of the entire year"

## COTTAGE PRAYER

**St. Thomas Prayer Meeting (Mangaf Block-4 South)**  
Time: 06:00 PM - 07:30 PM

DATE	NAME & ADDRESS
14/03/14	Mr. Ninan Cheriyan (M # 63) Mangaf, Block 4, St. 21, Bldg-65, Floor-4 Mob: 9723 5522
28/03/14	Mr. Biju S. Joy (M # 369) Mangaf, Block 4, St. 20, Bldg-184, Floor-2 Flat-5. Mob: 6692 5212

**St. Mary's Prayer (Fahaheel, Ahmadi & Mangaf Block-3)**  
Time: 05:30 PM - 07:00 PM

DATE	NAME & ADDRESS
14/03/14	Mr. Aji P. Joseph (M # 526) Mangaf, Block 3, St. 27, Bldg-112, Floor - 7 Flat-40. Mob: 9964 7941
28/03/14	Mr. George K. Joseph (M # 10) Mangaf, Block 3, St. 1, Bldg-152, Floor - 6 Flat-18. Mob: 6654 6725

**St. Gregorious Prayer Meeting (Abu-Halifa)**  
Time: 05:30 PM - 07:00 PM

DATE	NAME & ADDRESS
07/03/14	Mr. Babu George (M # 103) Mahboula, St. 3, Bldg-48, Floor - 3 Flat-32. Mob: 6647 8612
21/03/14	Mr. Roy Varghese (M# 422) Mahboula, Block 2, St. 204, Bldg-12, Floor-6 Flat- 23, Mob: 9721 6176

**St. George Prayer Meeting (Salmiya, Abbassiya)**  
Time: 07:00 PM - 08:30 PM

DATE	NAME & ADDRESS
07/03/14	Mr. Biju K.C (M # 491) Abassiya, St. 120, Bld. 11, Floor-2, Flat-11 Near Khaibar Baqala (Opp. BEC) Mob: 9729 4011

**St. Paul's Prayer Meeting (Mangaf Block-4 North)**  
Time: 05:00 PM - 06:30 PM

DATE	NAME & ADDRESS
07/03/14	Mr. Issac George Mangaf, Block 4, St. 42, Bldg-163, Floor-4 Flat-13. Mob: 6765 4351
21/03/14	Mr. Alexander Mathan (M # 304) Mangaf, Block 4, St. 28, Bldg-1 Al Hamdan Tower, Floor-10, Flat-20. Mob: 9727 6507

## FASTING PRAYER

DAYS	TIME	VENUE
WEDNESDAYS	6:30PM - 8:00PM	PARSONAGE

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

DAYS	TIME	VENUE
THURSDAYS	7:00PM - 9:00PM	St. Paul's Church

## MARTHA MARIYAM SAMAJAM

DATE	TIME	PROGRAM	VENUE
07/03/14	3:00PM - 5:00PM	MONTHLY MEETING	PARSONAGE

## NEW MEMBERS

M#	NAME	PLACE	CONTACT
655	MR. GEORGE KOCHUMMAN	KUNDARA	6691 8947
656	MR. JITHIN MATHEW	MANGADU	9913 0621
657	MR. P J VARGHESE	KOLLAD	6619 2927

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## CHURCH CALENDAR

02/03/14	Kothiney Sunday(Pethurtho) Great Lent 1st Sunday (Cana)
03/03/14	Great Lent Begins (Subkono)
09/03/14	Great Lent 2nd Sunday (Garbho - Leprosy Sunday)
16/03/14	Great Lent 3rd Sunday (M'sariyo Sunday Paralytic)
23/03/14	Great Lent 4th Sunday (Knanaitho Sunday - Cananite)
25/03/14	Vachanippu Perunnal - Suboro
26/03/14	Mid-Lent
30/03/14	Great Lent 5th Sunday (Kapipto Sunday - Cripple Woman)

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

03/03/14	Great Lent Begins (Subkono)
21/03/14	Election General Body at 10 AM at Parsonage
21/03/14	Martha Maryam Samajam Meeting from 4PM - 8PM at IMCO Hall Abuhalifa (Bldg. 77, Opp. Zain Pharmacy)
22/03/14	Great Lent Retreat from 6PM - 7:40 PM at St. Paul's Church
23/03/14	Great Lent Retreat from 6:30PM - 8:30 PM at Marthoma Prayer Hall, Mangaf
24/03/14	Great Lent Retreat from 6:30PM - 8:30 PM at Marthoma Prayer Hall, Mangaf
25/03/14	Holy Qurbana (Vachanippu Perunal - Suboro - Feast of Annunciation) from 5:30AM - 7:30AM at Parsonage
25/03/14	Holy Qurbana (Mid-Lent) from 6:30PM - 9:00PM at Marthoma Hall, Mangaf