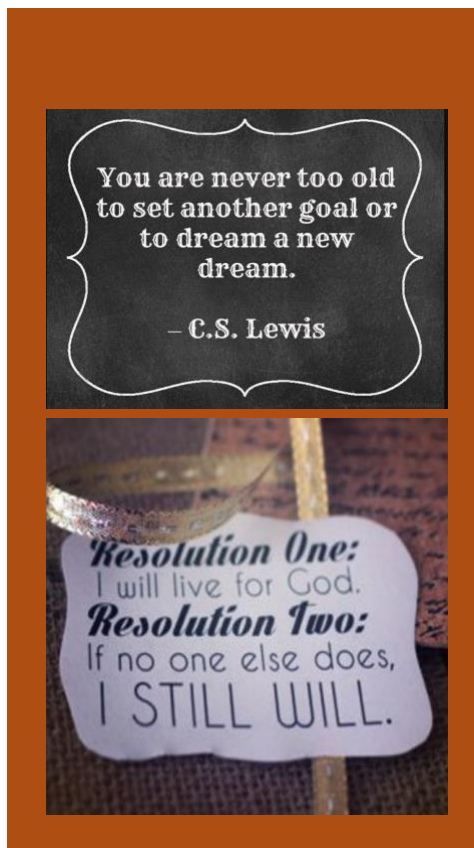


# MTCA NEWS LETTER

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## Dearly beloved in Christ

God has brought us to the end of another year to be able to continue steadfastly with our journey of faith. As we enter into the New Year, let us thank God for the manifold blessings that we received as a parish and as families.

While we stand at the threshold of a New Year and look back at how far we have come, we see a record of imperfect endeavors, shortcomings, and sins. But as we look ahead, we can see a future bright with promise, like a bud of a rose that has not yet unfolded its petals. God has given us the assurance "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are Mine." (Is. 43:1) With that assurance, let us continue our journey through the new year.

Whenever we walk into a new year, there is an expectant air of brighter future. At the same time, there is a certain degree of uncertainty. Every New Year is unique. We can risk the unique roads of the New Year because we have the great assurance that God goes with us on the journey – "I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9). May God Continue to bless and keep us, make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us in 2020!

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*For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. **Jeremiah 29:11***

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We were able to spread the good news of Christmas during the advent season by visiting houses and enjoying the music, food and fellowship. It was a blessed experience for all those who participated.

On the first Sunday in January we will celebrate Denaho, remembering the Baptism of Jesus Christ. Since Jesus was baptised as an adult, some denominations took this event to substantiate their argument for adult baptism. Jesus' baptism and the sacrament of baptism that the Christian church administer are two different ones. Christian baptism is administered as incorporating into the Body of Christ (Church) as well as the sign of dying with Christ and resurrecting for new life. As members of the Mar Thoma Church we baptize children and include them in the Body of Christ to begin a new life that continues to eternity. We administer adult baptism only to persons who accept Christ through our evangelistic work, however, for children born of Christian parents we administer child baptism.



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Our youth need motivation to be able to carry on the church mission and worship and take up more responsibility in the edification of our Church. As an effort to reach out to the youth, our Diocese is organizing the Diocesan Leadership Conference from January 2 to 5, 2020, at Carmel Mar Thoma Centre. The youth from MTCA are hosting this conference and their efforts are immensely appreciated.

We will be arranging a one day retreat for the all the youngsters on January 11, 2020 in the Chapel. Dr. Sam George will lead the sessions. I request all young family, youvajanasakhyam and youth fellowship members to participate in that one retreat.

I also welcome the newly elected office bearers and the Executive Committee members of 2020 and pray that their services may be a blessing to us all. I wish you all a blessed and a happy New Year.

In His Service

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Rev. Aju Abraham

Mar Thoma Church, Atlanta  
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## Worship Calendar

Date	Time	Service
Jan 5th	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana (English)
Jan 12th	10.00 AM	Praise and Worship and Holy Qurbana (English)
Jan 19th	10.00 AM	Holy Qurbana (Malayalam)
Jan 26th	10.00 AM	Praise and Worship & Holy Qurbana (English)

Name	DOB
Ms. Denna Alex	JAN-1
Miss.Catherene E George	JAN-2
Ms. Bethany Samuel	JAN-3
Mr. Simon George	JAN-3
Mrs.Anu Charly	JAN-4
Mr. Thomas Chacko	JAN-4
Mr. Jeffrey Philip	JAN-4
Mrs.Tani Chacko	JAN-5
Mr. Roy Varghese	JAN-5
Mr. Simon I. John	JAN-6
Mr.Bilin K. Joseph	JAN-6
Mr. Michael N. Esso	JAN-6
Mast.Rithul John	JAN-6
Mr. Shane S. Thomas	JAN-6
Mrs.Jannet Jeny Koshy	JAN-6
Mr. John Y. Pampapathi	JAN-7
Mr. Jerry Wilson	JAN-7
Miss.Jewel Anne George	JAN-7
Ms.Maddelyn S. George	JAN-8
Mast. Aaron Binu Varghese	JAN-8
Mrs.Sebi Thomas	JAN-9
Mrs.Saramma Sam	JAN-10
Mrs.Anie Jose	JAN-11
Abigail Sarah Jacob	JAN-12

## BIRTHDAYS

WISHING ALL A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Name	DOB
Mr.Ajit Mathew	JAN-14
Mr.Shajan Mampalayil	JAN-15
Mr.Sherin Varghese John	JAN-15
Mr.Sonu Cherian	JAN-15
Mrs.Kunjamma Jacob	JAN-16
Ms.Sarah A. George	JAN-16
Mr. Jacob J. KunjuKunju	JAN-17
Mrs.Sosamma Philip	JAN-17
Ms. Anoushka A. Alexander	JAN-17
Mrs. Nissy S. Mathew	JAN-18
Mr.Rubin Thomas	JAN-18
Mrs.Tanie Thampachan	JAN-19
Mrs.Bissy George	JAN-20
Mr.Ben Thomas	JAN-21
Mr.Michael Iby	JAN-21
Dr.Rajesh Mathew	JAN-22
Mrs.Kiran Thomas	JAN-22
Mr.George Joseph Jr.	JAN-23
Mr.Binnu Samuel	JAN-24
Dr.Sunil Alexander	JAN-24
Mrs.Reena Mary George	JAN-26
Mr.Thampi P. Daniel	JAN-27
Mr.James George	JAN-28
Mast.Steffin Sagin Mamman	JAN-28
Ms.Liz S. Mathew	JAN-28
Mrs.Reena Abraham	JAN-28
MastElijah Thomas	JAN-29
Dr.Serene Jacob	JAN-31
Mr.Thomas Abraham (Liji)	JAN-31

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY WISHES

Name	Name	Anniversary
Jesse Jacob	Natasha Jacob	JAN-1
Thomas P. Kurian	Beena Kurian	JAN-2
Mathew Varghese	Sangeetha Mathew	JAN-10
Varughese Abraham Mathai	Mariamamma Varughese	JAN-11
Johnson K. George	Manna Johnson	JAN-12
John Y. Pampapathi	Sheba M John	JAN-14
Jeny Koshy	Shiji Koshy	JAN-14
Issac George	Daisy Issac	JAN-15
M.C. Eapen	Marykutty Eapen	JAN-15
Jose P. John	Anie Jose	JAN-16
Mathews P. Kurian	Letha M. Kurian	JAN-17
Sabu Abraham	Leena Abraham	JAN-19
Thomas George Jr.	Bissy George	JAN-20
Samuel P. John	Marykutty John	JAN-24
Bensy Samuel	Neena Samuel	JAN-26
Philip Alexander	Anisha Philip	JAN-26
Abraham Puloor Varughese	Reena Abraham	JAN-30

## AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

Jan 19th Sun at 6.30 pm	Lawrenceville	Chacko Varghese, 1050 Charter Club Dr. , Lawrenceville, GA 30043
Jan 18th Sat at 5.30 pm	Suwanee / Cumming	Tiji Mathew, 4425 Griffin Trail Way, Cumming, Ga 30041
Jan 12th Sun at 6.30 pm	Grayson / Loganville	Shaji P Mathew, 1929 PineHurst View Ct, Grayson GA 30017
Jan 25th Sat at 7 pm	Snellville / Lilburn	Zachariah Mathew, 1980 Sterling Creek Court, Snellville. GA 30048
Jan 18th Sat at 7 pm.	Alpharetta / Marietta	Elvis George, 185 Arden Place, Alpharetta, Ga 30022
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## ORGANIZATION SCHEDULE

Sunday School	Every Sunday @ 8.30 AM	Chapel
Edavaka Mission	Every Friday	At Church / houses
Sevika Sangam	Saturday Jan 18 <sup>th</sup> @ 10 am	Mrs. Mary Kuriakose, 2434 Stancrest Lane, Lawrenceville, 30044
Yuvajana Sakhyam	Saturday Jan 18 <sup>th</sup> @3 pm	At Church
Youth Fellowship	Jan 2- 5 <sup>th</sup>	Diocesan Leadership Conference
Young Family		
Senior Citizen		

Fasting Prayer : Sat Jan 25<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at our Church.

## New Families !!

Welcome to New Families !!!!

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Daizy V Cherian(W)

Julianne S. Cherian

Gabriel M. Cherian

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Anu Mathew Cheriyaupunamadathu(W)

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### Up Coming Events

1. Episcopal Visit on Jan 5th 2020.
2. Parish Day on Jan 5<sup>th</sup> presided by Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos.
3. First Communicant Service on Jan 5<sup>th</sup>. 17 Kids are participating in First Communicant Service.
4. Diocesan Leadership Conference for the Youth at Carmel Center from Jan 2- 5<sup>th</sup>.
5. YuvajanaSakhyam, Youth and YFF hosting a one day retreat with Dr. Sam George on Jan 11<sup>th</sup> at church. Dr. Sam is an eminent speaker and author of multiple christian books and journals. There will be a minimal registration fee to cover the expenses for the event.