



The Mar Thoma Church
Abu Dhabi

Parish Newsletter

December
2019



കർത്താവായ ക്രിസ്തു എന്ന രക്ഷിതാവ്
ഇന്ന് ഭാവീദ്യന്റെ പട്ടണത്തിൽ നിങ്ങൾക്കായി ജന്മിച്ചിറങ്ങുന്നു
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Holy Qurbana (Malayalam) :
Every Friday at 9:30 am at MTC, Mussafah
Every Sunday (except 08th Dec) at 8:00 pm at St.Andrew's Church
24th Dec Tuesday (Christmas Service) @ 8:00 PM at MTC, Mussafah
31st Dec Tuesday (Watchnight Service) @ 9:00 PM at MTC, Mussafah

Holy Qurbana (English) :
08th Nov Sunday @ 8:00 pm at St. Andrews Church
20th Nov Friday @ 7:30 am at Mussafah Church

December Highlights

Date	Day	Event Title
05 th Dec	Fri	3rd Joint Prayer Meeting
13 th Dec	Fri	Sunday School- 44th Annual Day
14 th Dec	Sat	Sevika Sanghom Picnic
20 th Dec	Fri	Christmas Carol Service
24 th Dec	Tue	Christmas Holy Qurbana
27 th Dec	Fri	Thara Nilav - Prayer Group Day
28 th Dec	Sat	Teens Convention
28 th -30 Dec	Sat- Mon	Parish Convention
31 st Dec	Tue	Watch Night Service



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YOU ARE
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Christmas Message



From
Shibu Achen

"And she gave birth to her first born son and wrapped him in a band of cloth, and laid him in a manger because there was no place for them in the inn" St.Luke 2:7

Aylan Kurdi...! Yes .. That was his name.... The 3-year-old Syrian boy who was drowned while attempting to reach a safe shore with his family. He was washed away with his mom and brothers which made the whole world's eyes wet and it dragged international responses to the cry of people. The heart wrecking photo of Aylan Kurdi irritates my consciousness and it brings some questions in front of me.

Every time when I come across the thoughts of Christmas, this particular portion reminds me of the Experiences of the First Christmas - journey of Joseph and Mary from Nazareth to Bethlehem, the journey with a pregnant woman. The pains and the agonies they passed through ; and the struggles they faced. It's impossible to describe all these in words. Though they passed through all these hurdles of life, they all knew that they are being used by God to change the world.. As we are nearing one more Christmas, it should remind us of the denied spaces and the closed-doors. There was not even a single man to feel their pain and to extend their hands of help. Yes... we are losing our ability to feel the pain of others. Are we not....? And now, we close the door of our life and thus 'the Christ 'is being born in the mangers .

Apart from the glittering colorful decorations, cheerful parties, sweetness of cakes n wines and of all the celebrations, let's think for a while, What this Christmas means to me...? Is it something that we tend to show off..? or Do we really experience the Joy and the excitement in the salvific act of God ? Let's open our hearts and life for the needy to come in... Kalahandi Mission always strengthen us to stand against the closed doors of life, to feel the love of the God's people. My sincere gratitude to all the Members of Abu Dhabi MTC for all the love you shared, the hospitality you all extended, and your kind donations for the Mission and Evangelistic work of the Diocese. I hope and pray and believe that the Almighty will surely bless you all for these kind gestures.

Let's extend our helping hands to the one who stands outside our doors... Let's hold the other our heart.. Let's cover the other with the blanket of love.. Wishing you all a very blessed Christmas experience.

Yours Shibu achen, Kalahandi mission

Ushers for the Month

Date	Day	Prayer Group	Title	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
06-Dec	Fri	B-1					
08-Dec	Sun	Mussafah-2	Birth of John the Baptist	1Kgs 19:1-21	Rev 10:1-11	Gal 1:11-17	Luke 1:57-66
13-Dec	Fri	B-2					
15-Dec	Sun	Mussafah-1	Annunciation to Joseph	Isa 7:10-17	1Pet 3:8-16	Titus 2:11-15	Matt 1:18-23
20-Dec	Fri	B-3					
22-Dec	Sun	Madina Zayed	Sunday before Christmas "Our Lord Comes"	Isa 11:1-10	1John 4:7-21	Rom 1:8-17	John 1:1-14
24-Dec	Tue	Kaisthana Samithy	Yaldo: Feast of Nativity A New Dawn Grace upon Grace (End of 25 Days Lent)	Isa 9:1-7	Heb 1:1-14	2Tim 2:8-13	Luke 2:1-20
27-Dec	Fri	C-1					
29-Dec	Sun	Khalifa Street	Christ the Hope of Glory	Zech 14:1-5	Acts 1:6-11	1Thess 4:13-18	Matt 24:32-44
31-Dec	Tue	Kaisthana Samithy	Year Ending Watch Night Service- "Taste and See the Lord is Good" Baptism of our Lord –	Deut 8:1-20	Heb 12:1-13	1Pet 5:6-11	John 7:37-42
03-Jan	Fri	C-2					
05-Jan	Sun	Khalidiya	Denha (Epiphany)	Isa 43:1-7	Acts 19:1-7	Col 2:8-16	Matt 3:13-17

PARISH CONVENTION - 2019

Jointly with Yuvajana Sakhyam



Main Speaker : **Rev. K Thomas**

Theme : ***Bloom Where You Are Planted***

Date & Time : 28th Dec - 30th Dec 07 :45 PM

31st Dec 9:00 PM (Watchnight service)

Venue : Mussafah Church

Organization Programs

Senior Citizen's Fellowship

10th December	Tue	Senior Citizens' Fellowship Meeting at St Andrews Centre at 8:00 p.m. hosted by Sam John (Roll # S052)).
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Parish Mission

06th, 13th & 27th Dec	Fri	Fasting Prayer Cell at Carmel Hall, Mussafah @ 7:45 am
06th December	Fri	Motivational Class for 10th & 12th Board Exam Students at Ebenezer Hall, Mussafah @ 07:00 pm 11th

Yuvajana Sakhyam

06th, 13th & 27th Dec	Fri	Regular Sakha Meeting
11th December	Fri	UAE Centre Kalamela
06th – 17th December		Christmas Carol Rounds
25th December	Fri	Cottage Prayer

Sevika Sangham

06th December	Sat	Sevika Sanghom Joint meeting Chief Guest : Vicar of St. George Jacobite Church – Alain)
09th December	Mon	Mussafah Sakha Meeting at Mrs.Irene Ajay residence @ 9:00 am
14th December	Sat	Sevika Sanghom Picnic
21th December	Sat	Abu Dhabi Sakha Meeting at St. Andrews Lower Hall @ 6:00 pm

Parish Choir

06th, 13th, 20th & 27th December	Fri	Regular Choir Practice at Mussafah Church after Holy Qurbana
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Sunday School

06th December	Fri	Birudh Exam
13th December	Fri	Sunday School - 44th Annual Day

Youth Forum

14th December Sat Prayer meeting in the Residence of Jerin Jacob @ 7.30 pm.

Teens Forum

28th December Sat Teens Convention

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Prayer Group Day Celebrations

Date & Time : 27th Dec 04 :30 PM
Venue : Mussafah Church

Christmas Group Songs | Tableau | Skit
Christmas Tree | Christmas Father



Harvest Festival



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Sevika Sanghom and Teens Forum meeting



Senior Citizens meeting



Choir Picnic

Welcome New Members



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