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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES - FEBRUARY – 2025

DAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE / ACTIVITY
Sun	02-Feb	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday school Divine service - English
Sun	09-Feb	9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday school Divine service - Malayalam
Fri	14-Feb	7:30 PM	Carmel area prayer meeting at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Abraham
Sun	16-Feb	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday school Sevika Sangham Holy communion - Malayalam
Sun	23-Feb	9:30 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM	Sunday school Sevika Sangham Holy communion – English

MARAMON CONVENTION

130th Maramon convention will be from 9th February 2025 to 16th February 2025. This year the main speakers are Rev. Prof. Jerry Pillay (General Secretary of the World Council of Churches), Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo (President of Columbia Theological Seminary) and Dr. Rajkumar Ramchandran (New Delhi).

Live streaming of the convention meetings will be available through youtube channels and facebook pages of Marthoma Evangelistic Association and DSMC.

From the desk of the vicar..... 

The Church: A Witnessing Community

Praise be to the Triune God.

As followers of Christ, we are called to be a witnessing community that shines the light of God's love to the world. To achieve this, let us focus on three key aspects:

1. Life of Sharing: Let us share our resources, time, and talents with others, just as God has shared His love and blessings with us. By doing so, we demonstrate the generosity and kindness of our Heavenly Father.

2. Just Labor Culture: As children of God, we are called to promote justice and fairness in all our endeavors. Let us strive to create a culture that values hard work, honesty, and equality, reflecting the character of our righteous God.

3. Spiritual Contentment: In a world that often values material possessions and status, let us cultivate a spirit of contentment that comes from knowing Christ. May our hearts be filled with joy, peace, and gratitude, regardless of our circumstances.

As we embody these values, we will become a witnessing community that attracts others to the love and light of Christ. May God guide and empower us on this journey!

Reflection Questions:

- How can I share my resources and time with others?
- In what ways can I promote justice and fairness in my daily life?
- What steps can I take to cultivate spiritual contentment in my heart?

The visit of our diocesan bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Abraham Mar Paulos was a blessing for our parish. Nine children from our parish entered full communion with the Church, and we must pray for them. This month, we will present our annual report, accounts, and budget and we begin a new working year. I would like to express my gratitude to the parish committee and office bearers who served last year. Additionally, I want to congratulate the newly elected parish committee and office bearers for this year.

As we embark on this new working year, I ask all parish members to give your cooperation and support to the new committee.

With the power of Holy Spirit, let us live as a witnessing community for the glory of God and coexistence and harmony of church. **May God bless us all.**

With Love
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ORGANIZATIONAL UPDATES

Sunday School:

- Regular classes on all Sundays at 9:30 AM.

Edavaka Mission

- Prayer meeting at on 4th Saturday at 7:00 PM.

Sevika Sangham:

- Regular meetings on 3rd and 4th Sundays at 9:30 AM

AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

Carmel Area

- On 14th February at 7:30 PM at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Wilson Abraham. Area representative for the prayer group will be elected during the meeting.

Address: 5965. West Audrey Lane Glendale, 85308

CONDOLENCES

Mrs. Kunjumol Yohannan (81) mother of our member Mrs. Mercy Mathew was called home to be with the Lord on 1st January 2025. The funeral service was held on 13th January 2025. The Vicar and members of the Phoenix Mar Thoma church express deep condolences to Mrs. Mercy Mathew, Mr. Reji Mathew, Manju, Ninju and all other members of the bereaved family.

LECTIONARY FOR FEBRUARY 2025

Date	Lessons	Epistle / Gospel
02 Feb	Medical Mission Sunday: Jesus who gives complete healing, Our Lord's entrance to the Temple	
	2 Kings 20:1-11	James 5:13-18
	Heb 9:11-14	Mark 5:25-34
09 Feb	Beginning of the 130th Session of Maramon Convention, God's Sublime Creation	
	Isa 40:12-26	Col 1:15-20
	Rom 8:19-25	Matt 6:26-30
16 Feb	Conclusion of the 130th Session of the Maramon Convention, Abundant life through the experience of the Kingdom of God	
	Isa 11:1-9	1Cor 1:4-9
	Eph 3:16-21	John 4:4-15
23 Feb	Reorganization of life to experience the Kingdom of God	
	Ezek 36:24-31	1Pet 2:1-10
	Eph 4:17-24	Luke 19:1-10

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PARISH MEMBERS

WISH YOU A VERY BLESSED

BIRTHDAY					
Mem. ID	Day	Name	Mem. ID	Day	Name
J-007	02	Joseph K. Philip	A010	15	Joshua Eli Chacko
S-003	03	Merin Elizabeth John	J-004	16	Joy Grant
A-008	04	Zaiden A. Mathew	J-002	17	Allan Jiji
T-001	04	Ann Joseph	A-009	18	Annamma Mathai
T-004	05	Justina Thomas	K-004	20	Dan Kuruvilla Luke
A-010	07	Aiden Chacko	K-001	21	Aji Koshy
A-004	08	Ajith Abraham	S-004	21	Alita John
S-009	10	Sabitha Mathew	V-003	21	Anil Vijayan
V-002	10	Annorah Mary Varghese	J-009	25	Justin Varghese John
V-002	10	Alyssah Elizabeth Varghese	A-004	27	Adriel Abraham
W-002	12	Windsor Chidanand	R-005	28	Juby Mariam John

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY		
Member ID	Day	Name
T-004	13	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas P. Varghese
J-007	16	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph K. Philip
A-001	19	Mr. & Mrs. Abey John

Special thanksgiving prayers are held during Holy Communion services. Hope you will attend the Thanksgiving Prayer and partake in the Holy Communion on the Sunday closest to your Birthday and your Wedding Anniversary.

BIBLE QUIZ

Based on Genesis 30 to 40 (NIV)

1. Where did God tell Jacob to return to?
2. How many years did Jacob serve Laban?
3. To what was Jacob's name changed?
4. Who was buried under an oak tree below Bethel?
5. Who buried Issac?
6. Who was the father of Dishon?
7. How old was Joseph when he was sold to Ishmaelites?
8. Where did Joseph find his brothers?
9. What relation was Tamar to Judah?
10. Who dreamed three white baskets on his head?

Please send your answers to
newsletter.phoenixmtc@gmail.com before 15th of
February.



“WALK WITH THE WISE AND BECOME WISE,
FOR A COMPANION OF FOOLS SUFFERS HARM.”
PROVERBS 4:23

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