# **Jubilee Voice**

Jubilee Malayalam Church (CNI)



# Parish Messenger

# Thought for the month

Remember: Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind.

# JUBILEE MALAYALAM CHURCH [C.N.I.] PLOT-3, SECTOR-7, SANPADA EAST, NAVI MUMBAI – 400 705

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# Programmes

December 7: HC service in Sanpada at 7:30am and Panvel at 11am.
December 13: Christmas Carol Service at 6pm in Sanpada Jubilee Church.
December 14: Matins Service in Sanpada at 7.30am and Panvel at 11am.
December 15-21: Christmas Carol Rounds every day at 7pm onwards.
December 21: HC service in English at 7:30am in Sanpada and at 11am in Panvel
December 25: HC Service in Sanpada at 6am and in Panvel at 11am
December 28: HC Service in Sanpada at 7:30am and Panvel at 11am
December 31: Year Ending/ New Year service in Sanpada at 10:30pm.

January 4: HC Service in Sanpada at 7:30am and in Panvel at 11am.

### Motto for the year 2014

### "Clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature" (Romans 13: 14)

# Message from the Presbyter

### Dear Friends in Christ,

Christmas is the time to take some days off and spent time with our dear ones. In a way it is a blessing that we could spent meaningful time with our family during Christmas. But not everyone may be able to make it that way. Their official duties may keep them busy even during the season of Christmas.

Each religious people have their own days of holidays to be with their families. But Christmas is a day when God had sent his own Son to be part of a human family. It was not a secret affair between a husband and a wife. Jesus birth was announced to a bunch of shepherds, who went to visit the baby along with the mother and the father. One good news with this event is that God had found at least one family, or a man and a woman separately, worthwhile to send His Son.

Divine actions happen in a natural human environment. But only a few could grasp its divine meaning. Now a days Christmas is becoming like a mere vacation day. Who would like to ponder more upon the divine intentions behind Jesus' birth?

God's choice was found with ordinary people like Mary and Joseph. There were many high profile individuals lived during that era of time. But God's choice was found only with Mary and Joseph, who could not even find a room to deliver the child comfortably. Such situations of ordinary events happen in our own life situations too. But do we find the action of God in the midst of all those?

Christmas, which is a mere vacation day, can turn out to be a day of revolution, if we perceive the work of God in our most ordinary situations. To accept the Christmas child is the most important aspect of this season. God did not take permission from Mary for His to be born. He had just announced His plan and Mary submitted to it. It is when Joseph also agreed to it that they as a family could experience the guidance and the will of God. Otherwise they were at the verge of becoming breaking up. In Jesus, we can be assured that agreement to Him does not shatter our hopes and desires; instead it shall take us to a different route in which our most cherished and valuable hopes are engrafted.

What is our action plan for this Christmas? Can we find the child who took birth in a human family still wanting to be part of it? Can we allow Jesus to take that supreme decision of mending and tending our family life? Let Jesus, who is the fountain of life, breathe life into our family and make it a meaningful and a living unit of life.

Let our children, youngsters and adults find solace of hope in Jesus and turn out to Him for a meaningful and efficient life circumstances.

With love and prayers, Rev. Varghese Enathickal V. Email: presbyter.sanpadajmc@gmail.com

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# News & Notes

## **Previous Month Highlights**

**Harvest Festival:** Harvest Festival was celebrated with all the bounty and richness God had provided to each and every one of us. It was celebrated on Nov 16 along with our Parish day. This year we have honoured all those, who have crossed 80 years of age along with those who completed 65 years. All other elders of the intermediary ages of 65-79 were specially welcomed with flowers. A certificate of honour and a shawl were given to those, who completed 65 and an attractive gold plated show case item was given to those, who crossed 80 and above.

A bunch of 3 life challenging and inspiring books were given to Ms. Aneeta Ann John and Ms. Grace Abraham, who have passed 10<sup>th</sup> Std. with high distinction of 80% and above.

Rev. N. C. David and Rev. Sam Mathew K led the Holy Communion Service and delivered the Word of God respectively. Rev. Sam Mathew K in his sermon said that when things go bad we have a tendency to cut what belongs to the LORD and he added that we are not supposed to take what belongs to the LORD. Instead, he exhorted that, our harvest must reflect how God had blessed us from the very time we reached Bombay with just a trunk box full of clothes and nothing else for our survival. God had blessed us in every way and that is the reason why we celebrate Harvest Festival.

Auction was immediately begun soon after the worship service. Women's and Youth fellowship were ready with their respective food stalls. Collection received from coupon sale was more than double the amount than last year. We record our special appreciation to women and youth fellowship.

**Fish Pickle Preparation:** Fish pickle preparation was done one Sunday prior to the Harvest Festival. Molly aunty and Susha aunty spearheaded the women team for preparing fish pickle. It is everyone's participation that has made fish pickle preparation a success and a day of enjoyment. Women were found to be singing while doing their job. Men were also present in giving support to the women with their presence and work. We especially thank all those, who have sponsored breakfast and lunch for that day and those who have given donation towards fish pickle. Like last year, this year also we could get Vashi farm house for fish pickle preparation. We thank Mr. Malcolm Stephen and Mr. Vijay Pattil for the help and continuous support.

Packing fish pickle in bottles was also an important work, which was done on Wednesday, Nov 12. Few men also came to help the women in finishing the task.

**North India Family and Youth Conference:** North India family and youth conference was wonderfully organized by Rev. Sam Mathew K and Rev. Sam N. Joshua along with their team members from Parel, Borivalli and Vasai Churches. Panvel Animation and Retreat centre was a good centre selected for 3 day conference from Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> -26<sup>th</sup>. The back stage was arranged like a 50 year old house model. It was said that house model was personally designed by 2 achens together. The theme "Firm family in a wobbly world" was presented in the back ground of this house image, which had given it a meaningful atmosphere.

Theme presentations were enriching for all age groups- Adults, youth and children- irrespective of gender differences. People have participated well in the discussion hours. Everyday morning Yoga, before the worship and seminars, added a different colour to the entire programme. Rev. Joby Joy and his wife, Mrs. Manju Joby and Mr. Jacob Elias and his wife, Mrs. Sheela Jacob were the resource persons for the conference. There was a dedication service at the end of the conference for a holistic mission, which God has called us for, in our own spheres of life. The venue for the next conference was announced as Bhopal, which will be held in the year 2016.

## **Present Month Programs**

**Bible Quiz:** Bible quiz will be conducted for Sunday school students and youth on Dec 7<sup>th</sup> after the worship service in both Sanpada and Panvel. Gospel of Mark and Pauline letters to Galatians and Ephesians are the books chosen for reading.

**Carol Service:** Carol service will be held on Dec 13 in Jubilee Church, Sanpada, at 6pm. Vicar of Evangelical Church in Panvel, Rev. Eldo Paul, will be the guest speaker.

**House to House Christmas Carol Rounds:** House to house Christmas carol rounds will begin from Dec 15 to Dec 21. All are requested to come and join for these great and enthusiastic evenings visiting all our church members starting every evening at 7pm from the church. More details will be announced in church.

**Visit of Bible Society Secretary:** New Secretary of the Bible society is visiting our Parish on 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2014.

**Christmas Service:** Christmas service will begin at 6am in Sanpada and at 11am in Panvel on 25<sup>th</sup> Dec.

**Year Ending**/ **New Year Service:** Year ending or the New Year service will begin on Dec 31 at 10:30pm.

### **Prayer Requests**

1. Mr. John P. Mathew- 9820456808 (for good health)

2. Mother of Mr. W. J. Mathai (022-27703681) for happy and peaceful old age.

3. Mother of Mr. Sudeep Philips (Mob: 8879640355) for good health.

4. Father of Rev. Reni Philip, Vakola church vicar.

5. Mrs. Anu, sister of Mrs. Lulu Yesudas, who completed the 2<sup>nd</sup> surgery and is taking rest for complete healing

6. Mr. Simon Philip- for his new business, to overcome its initial difficulties and set off to new heights.

7. Mr. Sunny Mathew, uncle of Mr. Bobby Verghese Itty, who underwent an advanced open heart surgery in HiraNandani Hospital. Let us pray for his complete healing

8. Pray for the wife of Bishop Joshua, staying in Borivalli. She is undergoing treatment for cancer.

9. Ms. Bijitta David- for complete healing from all bodily ailments.

**Thanksgiving:** Mrs. Suja Thomas Thyparambil thanked everyone, who prayed for her healing, on the day of Harvest Festival. Let us also join with her in thanking God for the precious healing and comfort she had received from the LORD.

### SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR DECEMBER 2014

7 <sup>th</sup> December: 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Christma Theme: The Word of God dema Zechariah 1: 1-6 2 Timothy 3: 14-4:5	
14 <sup>th</sup> December: 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Christr	nas
Theme: The coming of the Chris	t is good news for the oppressed.
Malachi 3: 1-5	Psalm 146: 5-10
James 5: 1-9	Matthew 11: 2-11
21 <sup>st</sup> December: Sunday before Christmas	
Theme: The Lord's coming give	s joy and peace to his people
Zechariah 2: 10-13	Psalm 89: 19-28
Philippians 4: 4-7	Luke 1: 26-38
25 <sup>th</sup> December: The Christmas Day	
Theme: The birth of the Saviour Micah 5: 2-4	, who is the Word made flesh Psalm 98: 1-5

Titus 3: 4-7

28 <sup>th</sup> December: Sunday after Christmas	
Theme: Family Life	
Zechariah 8: 3-6	Psalm 128
Colossians 3: 12-21	Luke 2: 22-40

31<sup>st</sup> December: Year Ending/ New Year Worship

Theme: Come to the Lord wit	h Thanksgiving
2 Samuel 6: 1-15	Psalm 91
Colossians 3: 12-17	Luke 17: 11-19

### SCRIPTURE READING NAMES- SANPADA

Psalms

Mrs. Shelly Abraham

Mrs. Linnet Thariyan

Mrs. Mary Joseph

Mrs. Jessy John

Mrs. Susha John

Mrs. Helen Jacob

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Mr	Jacob M

- 07.12.14 Mr. Jacob William 14.12.14 Mr. Mathews Philip
- 21.12.14 Dr. Varghese Cherian
- Mr. George Joseph 25.12.14
- Mr. Thomas George 28.12.14
- Mr. K. O. John 31.12.14

PEACE

- 07.12.14 Mr. & Mrs. Bino Oommen
- 21.12.14 Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Stephens
- 25.12.14 Mr. & Mrs. Monzy Tharian
- 28.12.14 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Joseph
- 31.12.14 Mr. & Mrs. Chandy Kurian

### INTERCESSION

- Mr. Winford S. J 07.12.14
- 14.12.14 Mrs. Sera Bibi Cherian
- 21.12.14 Mr. Rijo George Cherian
- Mrs. Annamma John 25.12.14
- 28.12.14 Mrs. Nirmala John
- 31.12.14 Mr. David James

### Mrs. Lorraine Oommen Ms. Sarah B. George

2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson

Ms. Anjana E. Paul Ms. Lavina V. John

Ms. Sanaya Shaji

Mrs. Suja Thomas

## OFFERTORY

Mr. Reuben Kurien: Mast. Kennith Philips Mr. Reuben Kurien; Mast. Josh George Mr. Reuben Kurien: Mast. Aakash John Mr. Reuben Kurien; Mast. Abel Paul Mr. Reuben Kurien; Mast. Alex Monzy Mr. Reuben Kurien; Mast. Aleesha Philip

# SCRIPTURE READING NAMES – PANVEL

### 1<sup>st</sup> Lesson

# Psalms

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson

07.12.14 Mr. Simon Philip

- 14.12.14 Mr. A. C. Jacob
- 21.12.14 Mr. K. K. Johnson
- 25.12.14 Mr. Vishal John Mathew
- 28.12.14 Mr. Sabu Varghese

### INTERCESSION

- 07.12.14 Mrs. Shiny Sam
- 14.12.14 Mrs. Persis Jacob

Mrs. Susan Samuel Mrs. Saramma Isaac Mrs. Mariam Simon Mrs. Ligi Babu Mrs. Bindu John

Ms. Steffi John Mr. Jiju George Sam Ms. Dinsey Jacob Ms. Bijitta David Ms. Biji Babu

PEACE Mr. & Mrs. Ashok Abraham Mr. & Mrs. Babu K

21.12.14	Ms. Mary John
25.12.14	Mrs. Sinu Ashok
28.12.14	Mrs. Shiny Sabu

Mr. & Mrs. A. C. Jacob Mr. & Mrs. John Isaac Mr. & Mrs. T. C. Isaac

BIRTHDAYS		
01-Dec	Mrs. Susan Samuel	Kharghar
04-Dec	Mrs. Lorraine Sharon Oommen	Nerul
04-Dec	Ms. Sanaya Shaji	Vashi
05-Dec	Mr. Jacob William	Vashi
05-Dec	Mast. Kennith Feryl Philips	Nerul
06-Dec	Ms. Sayona A Joseph	Nerul
06-Dec	Mast. Josh Mathew George	Nerul
07-Dec	Mr. Bino Oommen	Kharghar
08-Dec	Dr. Varghese Cherian	Vashi
10-Dec	Mr. Abraham Seth Mathan	Vashi
12-Dec	Mr. Mathews Philip	Kharghar
12-Dec	Mrs. Mary Joseph	Vashi
13-Dec	Mr. A C Jacob	Panvel
16-Dec	Mr. Aakash Joseph John	Vashi
20-Dec	Mr. Justin John	Sanpada
21-Dec	Mrs. Anita Samuel	Sanpada
22-Dec	Mr. Mannoor George Joseph	Nerul
23-Dec	Mr. Vishal John Mathew	Kalamboli
25-Dec	Mrs. Ligi Babu	Old Panvel
29- Dec	Ms. Lavina V. John	Vashi

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES		
26-Dec	Mr. & Mrs. John Isaac	Panvel
27-Dec	Mr. & Mrs. Babu K.	Old Panvel
29-Dec	Mr. & Mrs. George Eapen	Kharghar
29-Dec	Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Mathai	Nerul
30-Dec	Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Jeevan Stephens	Kopar Khairane
31- Dec	Mr. & Mrs. T. C. Isaac	Panvel

Church Calendar 2014		
Christmas Carol Service	Dec 13	

### Three distinct prayers of Late Mr. Varghese Mathew K. (Written few days before his death on December 24, 2013)

1. Dear Lord Jesus, be our strength and comfort in our struggles and pains of our life of faith. I praise you for Your Grace in enabling me to come closer to You. You are my only Peace. Help me to see goodness in others and declare it. Lead your servant according to Your Will. Help me not to waver in the middle of the bitter experiences of life. Sanctify us, O Lord, so that we can love You with our whole mind rather than with a double mind. Amen

2. O God, help us to be awake and pray with the alertness of the Spirit. Help me to live the life of a New Creation. Faith is that which is to be lived rather than to be argued for.

3. Father, help me to count my days and live the remaining days of my life for You. Enable my mind in such a way that I may be able to receive a wise heart. Amen

### Members of the Parish Committee:

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Mr. K O John (Hon. Treasurer)		9820742205 (Mob)
Mr. Bose K. Thomas		9594970356 (Mob)
Mr. Oommen George	27709304 (Res)	9820073241 (Mob)
Mr. K. K. Johnson	27743611 (Res)	9820248239 (Mob)
Mr. Ashok Abraham	27491706	9892386920 (Mob)

Mr. David James		9619483420 (Mob)
Mr. Monzy Thariyan	27814658-	9619608750 (Mob)
Mrs. Sara Oommen		9930996868 (Mob)

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Mr. Monzy Tharian	27814658-9619608750	Mr. David James	9619483420
Mr. Thomas George	27412463-9322901795	Adv. Chandy Kurian	9821275735

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Women's Fellowship Secretary	Mrs. Sera Bibi Cheriar	n 27526156	8691088188
Choir Convener	Mr. Sajan George		9619629167
Choir Secretary	Mr. Mithun C. Roy		9769795644
Organist	Ms. Sharon John	27540500	9769961641
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WC Sunday School Coordinator	Ms. Mary John		9920374857
WC Youth Fellowship Coordinator	Ms. Dinsey Jacob		9022857762
WC Women's Fellowship Coordinator	r Mrs. Shiney Sam		9869685678
Jubilee Church Caretaker	Mr. Prashant		9967197118

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