

Sunday School

OVBS 2013 with innovative programs like publication of Students Kaiyehuthu Mazika, interesting Group Events and Games together with 29 lively songs, concluded on 1st August 2013 after a grand closing ceremony with the participation of 743 students and 68 teachers.



OVBS Star



OVBS Star Runner-up

Mr. Shebin Thomas John S/o Ulahannam Thomas was awarded the OVBS Star and Miss. Sheba Ann Varghese D/o Varghese Oommen was selected as the Runner-up after a rigorous selection process. Best students of each class division and Best class teachers were honored at the closing ceremony.

We thank all the Students, Parents, Teachers, OVBS Band, SS Parents Committee, Parish Web Master, Parish Managing Committee, Parish Office Bearers, various Co-ordinators, Mr. Mathai Varghese - OVBS Superintendent, Fr. Shino Sam - OVBS Director, Fr. Jose Mathew - Vicar/President, and all contributors for immense support and co-operation extended for the smooth and successful conduct of the OVBS this year.

St. Gregorios OCYM

SGOCYM arranging Matrubhasha padana class, *Kinginikooftam* for children's age 5 to 13, starting on 3rd -10th Aug 2013. (For more information please contact,

Mr. Sajan Thomas - 66984354 Mr. Joji P John - 66182418

Monthly prayer meeting will be held on Thursday 22nd Aug 2013, 7:45 pm at the Residence of Mr. Abu Thomas (RC Church Bldg, Opposite Dyna Super market, 5th floor, flat# 25), Abbasiya. Mob no: 66030651.

Anti Alcoholism Movement

Monthly prayer meeting and General body meeting will be held on Saturday 3rd August 2013, 7.00 pm at Church Parsonage, Abbasiya.

Indian Orthodox Mercy Fellowship

IOMF General Body meeting for the month of August will be held on Saturday, 24th of August 2013 at 07:30 pm.

Mar Baselios Movement

MBM General Body will be held on 23rd August 2013 at Hi-Dine Auditorium at 10:30 am.

Mar Gregorios Movement

MGM Prayer Meeting for the month of August 2013. Date and Venue will be announced later

*For Private Circulation Among Parish Members Only

Lectionary

Date	Day	Old Testament	Catholic Epistle/Prophets	Pauline Epistle	Gospel
1/8/2103	15 days Lent Start	Judg 1 : 21 - 36	Eze 19 : 1 - 14	Rom 6 : 1 - 14	St. Mathew 14 : 22 - 36
2/8/2013	Friday	Judg 2 : 1 - 10	Eze 20 : 1-9	Rom 6 : 15 - 23	St. Mathew 15 : 1 - 14
3/8/2013	Saturday	Judg 2 : 11 - 23	Eze 20 : 10 - 19	Rom 7 : 1 - 12	St Mathew 15 : 15 - 28
4/8/2013	XI Sunday after Pentecost	Lev 19 : 13 - 18	St. James 2 : 14 - 16	1 Cor 14 : 34 - 39	St. Mark 6 : 7 - 13
5/8/2013	Monday	Judg 3 : 1 - 11	Eze 20 : 20 - 30	Rom 7 : 13 - 25	St. Mathew 15 : 29 - 39
6/8/2013	Koodara Perunnal Tuesday Transfiguration	Deut 16 : 13 - 17	1 John 2 : 23 - 31	Romer 11 : 25 - 36	St. Luke 9 : 27 - 36
7/8/2013	Wednesday	Judg 3 : 12 - 19	Eze 20 : 31 - 39	Rom 8 : 1 - 10	St. Mathew 16 : 1 - 12
8/8/2013	Thursday	Judg 3 : 20 - 31	Eze 20 : 40 - 49	Rom 8 : 11 - 27	St. Mathew 16 : 13 - 20
9/8/2013	Friday	Judg 4 : 1 - 14	Eze 21 : 1 - 14	Rom 8 : 27 - 39	St. Mathew 16 : 21 - 28
10/8/2013	Saturday	Judg 4 : 15 - 24	Eze 21 : 15 - 24	Rom 9 : 1 - 15	St. Mathew 17 : 1 - 13
11/8/2013	1st Sunday after Transfiguration	Deut 25 : 13 - 16	St. James 4 : 7 - 5 : 6	Phili 8 : 8 - 20	St. Mathew 21 : 28 - 32
12/8/2013	Monday	Judg 5 : 1 - 15	Eze 21 : 25 - 32	Rom 9 : 16 - 33	St. Mathew 17 : 14 - 23
13/8/2013	Tuesday	Judg 5 : 16 - 31	Eze 22 : 1 - 12	Rom 10 : 1 - 8	St. Mathew 17 : 24 - 27
14/8/2013	Wednesday	Judg 6 : 1 - 10	Eze 22 : 13 - 22	Rom 10 : 9 - 21	St.Mathew 18 : 1 - 10
15/8/2013	Shoonoyo- Fest of Assumption of St. Mary	Exo 3 : 1 - 6	Acts 1 : 12 - 14	Gal 4 : 1 - 7	St. John 19 25 - 27
16/8/2013	Friday	Judg 6 : 11 - 21	Eze 22 : 23 - 31	Rom 11 : 1 - 10	St.Mathew 18 : 11 - 20
17/8/2013	Saturday	Judg 6 : 22 - 30	Eze 23 : 1- 11	Rom 11 : 11 - 24	St. Mathew 18 : 21 - 35
18/8/2013	1st Sunday after Shoonoyo	Exo 14 : 21 - 31	1 John 2 : 22 - 29	Eph 6 : 10 - 17	St. Luk 6 : 39 - 45
19/8/2013	Monday	Judg 6 : 31 - 40	Eze 23 : 12 - 23	Rom 11 : 25 - 36	St. Mathew 19 : 1 - 12
20/8/2013	Tuesday	Judg 7 : 1 - 11	Eze 23 : 24 - 35	Rom 12 : 1 - 9	St. Mathew 19 : 13 - 19
21/8/2013	Wednesday	Judg 7 : 12 - 25	Eze 23 : 36 - 49	Rom 12 : 10 - 20	St. Mathew 19 : 20 - 30
22/8/2013	Thursday	Judg 8 : 1 - 10	Eze 24 : 1 - 14	Rom 13 : 1 - 7	St. Mathew 20 : 1 - 16
23/8/2013	Friday	Judg 8 : 11 - 21	Eze 24 : 15 - 27	Rom 13 : 8 - 14	St. Mathew 20 : 17 - 28
24/8/2013	Saturday	Judg 8 : 22 - 35	Eze 25 : 1 - 11	Rom 14 : 1 - 10	St. Mathew 20 : 28 - 34
25/8/2013	2nd Sunday after Shoonoyo	Gen 6 : 3 - 12	2 Peter 3 : 8 - 14	2 Thess 5 : 1 - 11	St. Luk 11 : 9 - 20
26/8/2013	Monday	Judg 9 : 1 - 15	Eze 25 : 12 - 17	Rom 14 : 11 - 23	St. Mathew 21 : 1 - 11
27/8/2013	Tuesday	Judg 9 : 16 - 27	Eze 26 : 1 - 13	Rom 15 : 1 - 6	St. Mathew 21 : 12 - 16
28/8/2013	Wednesday	Judg 9 : 28 - 35	Eze 26 : 14 - 21	Rom 15 : 7 - 21	St. Mathew 21 : 17 - 22
29/8/2013	Thursday	Judg 9 : 36 - 44	Eze 27 : 1 - 10	Rom 15 : 22 - 33	St. Mathew 21 : 23 - 27
30/8/2013	Friday	Judg 9 : 45 - 50	Eze 27 : 11 - 20	Rom 16 : 1 - 14	St. Mathew 21 : 28 - 32
31/8/2013	Saturday	Judg 9 : 51 - 57	Eze 27 : 21 - 36	Rom 16 : 15 - 26	St. Mathew 21 : 33 - 46

Welcome Fr. Wilson Mathew to SGIOME



Fr. Wilson Mathew M.K, MA, B.Ed, BD, Mth. from Basil Dayara Pathanamthitta will lead our Annual Convention 2013.

Achen is also the,
- Vicar of St. Mary's Kudappanakulam
- Former Programme Secretary of Sophia Centre Orthodox Seminary during the year 2009 - 2013.

- Former All Malankara MGOCSM Vice president.
- Printer and Publisher of the Purohithan Magazine.
- Vice president of OCYM, Thumpamon Diocese.

The Vicar, Associate Vicar, Managing Committee and Parish members welcome the Achen who has kindly agreed to lead our Annual Convention.

Worship Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Event	Venue
2-Aug	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
6-Aug	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Koodara Perunnal	NECK
9-Aug	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
13-Aug	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
16-Aug	Friday	8:15 AM	Shoonoyo Perunnal	NECK
20-Aug	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
24-Aug	Saturday	7:00AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
27-Aug	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
30-Aug	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK

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Pastoral message



Blessed brethren in the Lord,

We are on the threshold of the lent of 15 days commemorating the assumption (Shoonoyo) of the Blessed Mother of the Lord whose intercession will grant us the energy to successfully participate and complete it. The life of the Holy Mother is an inspiration to mankind in facing the difficult voyage of life;

A race which should be the run of the benefit of others. From the "Stable to Calvary" the march of Her life was hard and long which started when the mission was given to her by angel Gabriel (Luke 1: 28 – 38).

The first leg of Her journey was the trip to serve Elizabeth during the pregnancy of the latter, an example to follow when having to tread hazardous paths in life to help others. Then there was the trip to Bethlehem fully pregnant and the flight to Egypt with her New Born Baby, voyages demonstrating faith and steadfastness in adversities. The trip to the temple and anxiety and apprehension when her twelve year old when missing reminds us that what treasure God has entrusted to us is misplaced in some moments of pressure of life, you should turn back to retrieve what was lost. Going up to her Son to appeal to Him to help their host in their difficulties show the value of the prayer of intercession to the Mother.

When the society in which, She lived derided Her as the mother of a person of no sense, her silent lack of response, gives us an example to follow when the society derides our kith and kin and exaggerate their faults to mock them. The Mother did not hide from the society or react with anger but quietly and patience bore all insults and culminated with patience. Last but not the least, when their society found Her Son worthy of the Cross, Mother hastened to the foot of the Cross to stand with Her Son and bear His pain and the pain of a Mother having to watch her only son die by inches. Without a word of blame or condemnation, the mother stood silently supporting Her Son in the completion of His mission, giving him a spiritual hand to climb that difficult mountain with the burden of our sins.

Holy Mother Mary had a life of suffering, alone and in silence, watching the ungrateful society place an unbearable yoke on the shoulders of Her Son. She presents a challenge to the world that tries to avoid the unpalatable and try to gain their ungovernable desires by whatever means possible just or unjust.

The life of the Holy Mother gives us the following lessons;

- Do not yield to despair.
- Do not harbor anger or grudge against anyone
- Lead a simple life
- Fill your life with Love
- Spread spiritual light in the area you live
- Be considerate to others
- Do unto others what they would have you do for them

May the intercession of the Holy mother be a refuge and consolation to the children of Malankara Sabha sojourning in this desert who, through their sincere prayers in unity of spirit and thoughts are leading this Maha Edavaka to greater heights.

Yours in the service of the Lord

Fr. Shino Sam

OVBS Director

15 days Lent & Feast of Assumption

15 days lent starts on Thursday 1st August and ends on Thursday 15th August. Shoonoyo lent is observed in the name of the mother of God and in remembrance of her Assumption. Tradition has it that the body of the Holy Mother was taken up to Heaven at the end her earthly life. Let us pray to the Holy Mother to intercede on our behalf to the Lord. Feast of assumption (Shoonoyo) will be celebrated on Friday 16th August 2013 at NECK.

Commemoration of Prophet Elisha



Commemoration of Prophet Elisha will be on Friday 9th August 2013 at NECK. Nercha will be served.

Welcome to the new Associate Vicar



Rev. Fr. Reji C. Varghese has been posted to SGIOME as the associate Vicar. He will be joining us on 1st of August 2013.

Home Parish: Bhilai - Mar Gregorios Orthodox Cathedral

Education: M. A, M.Th., B. Ed.

Positions Held (Previous & Present):

- Ex-Secretary St.Thomas Mission Bhilai,

- Professor- STOTS, Nagpur

Family Details

Ancy Varghese (Wife)

Meeval M Varghese, Basil A Varghese (Children)

The Vicar, Managing Committee and Parish members heartily welcome Achen to the Maha Edavaka.

Harvest Festival 2013

The General Body of the parish has elected the following members to lead the activities of Harvest Festival.

General Convenor - Oommen V Kurien

Finance Convenor - Thomas Kuruvila

Programme Convenor - Deepak Alex Panicker

Church Calendar

	1-Aug - 15 days Lent Starts - Feast of the Assumption begins; Commemoration of H.G Paulose Mar Pachomios (Mavelikara);
4-Aug	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
6-Aug	Transfiguration of our Lord (Koodara Perunnal)
6 - Aug	Commemoration of H.G Alexios Mar Theodosius (Bethany Ashram Ranny)
11-Aug	First Sunday after Transfiguration;
15-Aug	Shoonoyo - Feast of Assumption of St. Mary;
18-Aug	First Sunday after Shoonoyo;
19-Aug	Commemoration of H.G.Joseph Mar Pachomios (Mulakkulam pally. Kandanad);
24-Aug	Feast of St. Mathew The Apostle;
25-Aug	Second Sunday after Shoonoyo;
29-Aug	The Beheading of the prophet forerunner of the Lord; John the Baptist;
31-Aug	Commemoration of H.G. Mathews Mar Ivanios (Pothempuran Dayara, Pampady)

Prayer Schedule

Group	Time	Date	Host	Building	Flr #	Ft #	Location	Telephone	
St. Aprem	5:30 PM	2-Aug	Binu Bennyam	198	7	71	Gents Camp Bldg	66564607	
		9-Aug	Sibu Abraham	201	GF	38	Phonix Garage	97474649	
		16-Aug	Shibu Jacob Chacko	221	7	33	Q8 Shoppe, Near Eden Store	99405807	
		23-Aug	Vinod P Punnoose	168	6	48	Opp.Best Bakers - Right	65157126	
		30-Aug	Thomaskutty Joseph	196	1	2	Supermart Store	99308397	
St. Behenan	5:30 PM	2-Aug	Biju.P.Varghese	124	2	12	Opp.Al Razi Pharmacy...4th Bldg	24348025	
		9-Aug	Jiji Alex		1	2	Al Safwa Pharmacy Bldg.	97440365	
		16-Aug	T.P.Alexander	119	5	20	Opp.Al Razi Pharmacy 2nd Bldg.	24343735	
		23-Aug	Shibu M.E		6	25	Beside Classic Typing, Internet Cafe bldg	66563009	
		30-Aug	Shaji Thomas	121	1	5	Opp.Al Razi Pharmacy 3rd Bldg.	24339837	
St. Elias	5:00 PM	2-Aug	Raju Daniel		1	2	Anwar Super Market Right wing Building.	66237627	
		9-Aug	Jaimon Mathew		5	18	Double building Right wing (Near ALH)	66387934	
		16-Aug	Ninan Thomas		5	17	Anwar Super Market Right wing Building.	66284523	
		23-Aug	Jose John		1	3	Double building Right wing (Near ALH)	97136629	
		30-Aug	Jacob A John		3	8	Opposite APS store	66576967	
St. George (East & West)		2-Aug	Sheeju K Jacob	1016	4	14	Mahima Centre Super Market Bldg	66023151	
St. George East		9-Aug	Georji George		5	35	Next to Art Style Building (Near 2nd U turn)	97958421	
St. George (East & West)		16-Aug	Venus Chacko	1078	3	17	Behind Tele.Exch side building	66518660	
St. George East		23-Aug	Rajesh Kurain	1016	5	22	Mahima Centre Super Market Bldg	94054569	
St. George (East & West)		30-Aug	John Koshy		2	13	Next to Art Style Building (Near 2nd U turn)	50151383	
St. George West		2-Aug	Sheeju K Jacob	1016	4	14	Mahima Center Supermarket Building	66023151	
St. George West		9-Aug	Jobin Thomas	-	5	1	Swiss Clinic. Main Road Side	67085869	
St. George West		16-Aug	Babu Paul George	-	3	10	Opp.Old Ministry Corner Building	66685546	
St. George West		23-Aug	Shaji Cherian	-	4	19	Same as old Pakistani Mosque Building	66508649	
St. George West		30-Aug	Mathew P Daniel	58	2	6	Unique Stores # 3 Building	97257637	
St. Luke		2-Aug	Vinoy C Varghese	28	1	3	Caesar's Travels Building	55074074	
St. Luke		9-Aug	Sminu Yohanan	38	2	9	Opposite Electrical Substation (Old Building)	99524540	
St. Luke		16-Aug	Laji N Issac	17	2	4	Twinkle Twinkle Building -New	66575025	
St. Luke		23-Aug	Joby Abraham	38	5	14	Hardware shop Building	66159727	
St. Luke		30-Aug	Varghese A.T	17	4	8	Twinkle Twinkle Building -New	99577275	
St. Mark		2-Aug	Roshen K Varghese	106	5	23	Bright Way Restaurant Bldg	66170039	
St. Mark		9-Aug							
St. Mark		16-Aug	Moncey Abraham	50	9	35	Spencer Bakery Bldg	99760321	
St. Mark		23-Aug	Shely Oonnoony	15/106	4	14	Dayna Restaurant Bldg	99513556	
St. Mark		30-Aug	Shaji Abraham		8	26	Madeena Store Bldg	65940673	
St. Mathews East		2-Aug	Roy Philip		2	5	Behind Parsonage New Bldg	99841860	
St. Mathews East		9-Aug	Jacob V. George		G	2	Old ministry Bldg No. 2	99831419	
St. Mathews East		16-Aug	Vinu Thomas Varghese		1	4	Opp. Unique Store New Bldg	97547965	
St. Mathews East		23-Aug	Joseph John		2	5	Near Kerala Salon Old Bldg	66602690	
St. Mathews East		30-Aug	Reni Philip		10	73	Opp. Unique Store New Bldg	55031621	
St. Mathews West		2-Aug	Biji Thomas Varghese		7	41	Cochin Electrical Bldg	97481962	
St. Mathews West		9-Aug	Joji Mathew M.V		5	25	Oxygen Saloon Bldg.	69901027	
St. Mathews West		16-Aug	Alex V. Joy		4	13	Walking Style Shoe Bldg.	99421585	
St. Mathews West		23-Aug	Georgekutty Paulose		4	19	Cochin Electrical Bldg.	94428615	
St. Mathews West		30-Aug	Jose George		7	14	B/w Blazer Tailors and Drishya Studio Bldg.	99426216	
St. Paul's		2-Aug							
St. Paul's		9-Aug	George Cherian (Joy)	123	5	20	Dyna Super Mkt. Rt (Holy sweets left)	66575112	
St. Paul's		16-Aug	Oommen Chacko (Sannu)	159	1	3	Queens Beauty Parlour - Old Bldg.	66628673	
St. Paul's		23-Aug	John V Thomas	124	6	21	India Saree House Bldg.	97806816	
St. Paul's		30-Aug	Aji Joseph	122	6	24	UAE Exchange Bldg.	99459720	
St. Philipose South		2-Aug	MATHEW GEORGE (SHAJI)		6	22	OPPOSITE HIGHLAND SUPER MARKET	65071602	
St. Philipose South		9-Aug	ROY N.K.		3	9	REHMAN STORE BLDG.	66396204	
St. Philipose South		16-Aug	YOHANNAN P.S.		3	11	CANARY BUILDING	66095041	
St. Philipose South		23-Aug	MATHEW DANIEL		7	28	VIJAYA REST. BUILDING	66895426	
St. Philipose South		30-Aug	K.M.JOY		3	7	OPP. LEARNERS ACADAMY	99694232	
St. Philipose North		2-Aug	Ajith Jacob		2	6	Opposite Canary Restaurant	90028893	
St. Philipose North		9-Aug	Sinoy A		4	16	Backside of Al Mulla Exchange	55403791	
St. Philipose North		16-Aug	Jagan Thomas		1	4	Near Thoufah Restaurant	99596303	
St. Philipose North		23-Aug	Varghese Samuel		2	8	Beside Hadha Centre	99318690	
St. Philipose North		30-Aug	Varghese Joy		4	13	Backside of Al Mulla Exchange	66180682	
St. Philipose North		2-Aug	Alex C. Oommen		2	28	Old Chapel Building	90096097	
St. Thomas North		9-Aug							
St. Thomas North		16-Aug	Cherian Varghese	13	2	11	Twiny Studio Bldg	24348358	
St. Thomas North		23-Aug	Sibi G. Koshy		8	32	Indo Ethnic Boutique Bldg	24331730	
St. Thomas North		30-Aug	Thomas Varghese (Moncy)	21	1	2	Fitness Bldg	24344748	
St. Thomas South		2-Aug	Georgekutty Baby (Anu)	54	1	1	Beside Total Workshop	65918727	
St. Thomas South		9-Aug	Thomas Jacob	51	2	7	Anwar Al Kuwait Auto Workshop	66795628	
St. Thomas South		16-Aug	Tincy Idiculla		5	15	Opposite Ruchi Restaurant	99468529	
St. Thomas South		23-Aug	Shaji George	45	1	4	Saheel Bakery Building	99761519	
St. Thomas South		30-Aug	Joji P. John	20	2	11	Total Workshop Building	66182418	
St. Andrews		6:30 PM	23-Aug	Vinu Cherian Muthalaly	15	7	27	Bldg. adjacent to A-One Car Rental	67071209
St. Dionysious		5:00 PM	23-Aug	Sony Varghese John	1+2a	1	1	Marina Taxi Bldg. (Near : Clean Shop Laundry)	66106989
St. James		7:00 PM	23-Aug	Gibi K George	1	2	12	Amman Street	99314373
St. John's		8:00 PM	23-Aug	George Thomas (Titty)	37	3	11	Orthodox Building, No:2	66552502
Brahmavar		8:00 PM	16 - Aug	Frankey Roche				Farwaniya	99320972
Barsoumas		6:30 PM	11 - Aug					Peniyel Hall, Abbasiya.	