



# St. Andrews Mar Thoma Church

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## Vicars Message

My beloved Parish Members.

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Today we are living in a world of inventions and discoveries. People are engaged in the search of wealth, name or fame for themselves. The whole world is busy. Every day the experts are introducing new technologies. The people become more selfish. Their only intention is self satisfaction and happiness. They have become corrupt, and speak wickedly. They neglect the work of the Lord. They waste their health, ability and talents for their own selfish gain. They keep God aside and live a life on their own. They want to enjoy the pleasures of this world. They are forgetting the living God. In this context what is our concern. The whole world is waiting to hear the word of God. The corrupted world is waiting for a redeemer. The whole world is waiting to hear the message of salvation. There are hungry souls suffering in the midst of the selfish.

We have now lot of excuses. We say that we do not get time and opportunity to share the Good News to others.” Lord Jesus Christ said “The harvest truly is plenteous but the laborers are few”. Let us stand up for Jesus. Repent and reform ourselves.

We are celebrating the 175th anniversary of the Reformation of Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church of Malabar. On August 15th we are planning to open our Church 8am to evening 8’oclock. At that time we can spend this time for meditation and time to read the Bible. The detailed programs will announce on the coming Sundays. 1st Monday Fifteen Days Fast Begins.(15 Nombu) and the 5th Sunday Feast of Transfiguration of our Lord. In August we will have our V.B.S and our church Picnic. I hope your prayers and whole hearted support for these programs. God bless us to fulfill His ministry through all our activities.

Yours In His Service

Benjamin George Achen

## Worship Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Special Observance</u>
August 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am	Holy Communion (Mal.) Rev. K.J. Samuel	Call for Mission
August 14 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am	Holy Communion (Mal.)	Living According to the Gospel
August 21 <sup>st</sup>	9:30 am	Divine Service (Eng.)	Through the Word of God
August 28 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 am	Holy Communion (Eng.)	Sacrament of Marriage

## Lectionary

<u>Date</u>	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Lesson</u>	<u>2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson</u>	<u>Epistle</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
August 7 <sup>th</sup>	Josh. 24: 14 -25	Rev. 3: 14 -22	Rom. 1: 8 -17	St. Luke 24:44 – 49
August 14 <sup>th</sup>	2 Kings 23:1 – 11	1 Pet. 4: 1 -11	Rom. 12: 1- 11	St. Luke 3: 1 -14
August 21 <sup>st</sup>	2 Chr. 34: 29-33	Heb. 8: 1 -13	1 John 2: 3 -15	St. Mat 7: 24 -29
August 28 <sup>th</sup>	Gen 1: 26 -31	Rev. 19: 1 -10	Eph. 5: 21 – 32	St. Mark 10: 1- 9