



# St. Andrew's Church

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"Equipping and Empowering Congregation in God's Mission"



***Risking, Rejoicing and New Life***

***"...Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord." (John 20:20)***

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## From the Presbyter's Desk

### *Risking, Rejoicing and New Life*

*"...Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord."*

*(John 20:20)*

Being locked up by compulsion or fear is an experience that is different from an experience of locking oneself by freewill. In one of the most dramatic appearances of the *Risen Christ*, the disciples had locked themselves because of fear. Fear was an artificial creation by combination of political empire and the religious hierarchy, which kept the closest disciples and friends away from Jesus. When we choose to close doors, Jesus, can still meet us behind locked doors.

It is one thing to believe in the idea of resurrected life, but it is quite another thing to see it. For some of the disciples, hearing the voice of Jesus assuring them, *"Peace be with you!"* (v.19 & v.21), and seeing the crucifixion scars on his hands and side, were enough reasons to rejoice in the risk. Risking is an experience that may seem to be not worthy for the moment, but risking is an experience of rejoicing. If we do not risk, we cannot rejoice, because the rejoicing in comfort, in abstract conversations and ideal imaginations, will not last. It was a new lease of learning for the disciples, that they cannot stay behind locked doors.

Fear is the easiest and one of the most toxic weapons of subjugation and bondage. But even more dramatic, is when Jesus breathed on them and said to them, *"Receive the Holy Spirit."* (v.22). It reminds us of the first story of creation in the Bible (*Genesis Chapters 1 & 2*).

The promise of the Holy Spirit, is the hope and promise of a new life, we all long to see in our world today. Like Thomas, it is difficult to believe in the promise unless we can see and feel it for ourselves (*John 20:24-25*). The *Risen Christ* in all the appearances welcomes and understands the doubts and fears of the disciples and people from different backgrounds.

We are a community of faith who will continue witnessing to one another, even as we continue to risk, rejoice and celebrate the *New Life in Jesus Christ*.

*Lent symbolises new beginning.* It is my hope and prayer, that we have made new beginnings of faith, hope and love, as the *Risen Christ* continues to meet us.

*May God bless you.*

*Your Presbyter*

**Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben**

## Reports of Activities by the Wings & Ministries of the Church

### *Women's Fellowship*

*'I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made;  
your works are wonderful, I know that full well.'* Psalm 139: 14

Greetings to all of you in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Our Women's Fellowship met for their monthly time of *Bible Study on Saturday, 1st March, 2025*. Taking forward their understanding of the riches of God's grace, the focus this month was on *Standing in Grace and Walking in Grace*.

The two passages that were at the centre of the Study were *Romans 5:1-11* and *1 John 1:5 - 2:2*. Our redemption is complete, for our sins have been forgiven and our relationship with God has been restored through Christ. In another sense, our redemption will be complete only when Christ comes again and we will be completely free from sin in our lives, and in yet another way, it is an on-going process. God is at work, renewing us in the image of Christ. The women spent time trying to understand what it means to walk in grace and how our attitude to life should be affected by this knowledge.

*“Through It All I Am Still Standing Because Of His Grace”* - We reaffirmed our need to confess our sin and why we are free to be completely honest about our failings; for in return to our honest confession, God promises to *Be faithful to us; Be just to us; Forgive our sins; and Cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

As we continued our monthly Bible Study, we sought to see things the way God sees them and to respond to situations the way *He* would. We appreciate this time of Bible Study led by *Mrs. Vineetha Sunitha*, and we are grateful to her.

Our Women’s Fellowship members attended and participated in the *World Day of Prayer* organised by the *Council of Catholic Women of India*, on *Friday, 7th of March at Sacred Hearts Church, Richmond Road Bangalore.*



*Women’s Day* was celebrated on *Saturday, the 8th of March* with all the women of our church. Our *Presbyter Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben*, welcomed the gathering, led us in the opening prayer and shared the Word of God. We were enriched and encouraged by his message - the immense value we have as women in our homes, our work places, our church and in the society at large.

Our *Pastorate Committee* members, *Mr. Praveen Shiri* and *Mr. Joshi Mark*, also graced the occasion with their presence, and spoke to us about the various hats a woman wears and how she is a blessing to the family.

*Fun Time* began with *games* which everyone enjoyed! A time of relaxation with *High Tea* was enjoyed by all. It was indeed a great time which we will all cherish for a long time.

We the members of our *Women’s Fellowship* also celebrated *The World Day of Prayer on Friday, the 14th of March* in our church, during the *Evening Lenten Service*. Guest *Speaker Rev. Shashikala Alva* was invited to bring God’s message. She brilliantly and enthusiastically brought out the facts on how we women are wonderfully made. This encouraged the women to a large extend, and we are grateful and thankful to her. Our *Presbyter, Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben*, also upheld all the women of *Cook Islands* and of our church in *Prayer*.

***Mrs. Daisy Richard***  
*Secretary, SACWF*

## Sunday School



Vacation Bible School (VBS) is just around the corner! Lot of kids have already registered. Do go through our *Poster* for more details.

We are blessed with an amazing *Team* and they are geared up for VBS. We had our *Teachers' Devotion* online, preparing ourselves before we nurture the children. Thanking our Teachers, *Mr. Ajith John, Dr. Pauline George, Dr. Anita Noel, Mrs. Shyla Moses and Mrs. Pushpa Lalitha* for their insights and methodical explanations on each of the Topics for the days of VBS.

On *Sunday, March 23rd*, we had a special *Session on Parenting for Teens* by *J H Outback India*, an organisation which works with teens and their parents. It was an enlightening *Session* for the parents of teens. In their *Retreats*, they have various activities to foster open communication and mutual understanding between parents and teens. If interested, do reach out to join the *Outback Teams Adventures*.

Sunday School children beautifully rendered the song, “ನನಗಾಗಿ ಪ್ರಾಣವ ಬಿಟ್ಟವನೇ” on *Sunday, 9th of March* during the *Kannada Service*. They also melodiously sang the song, “*He's Still Working On Me*”, on *Sunday, 23rd of March* during the *English Service*. Thanking all the parents, teachers and the youth for helping us out in training the little angels!

We are indeed grateful to God for guiding us throughout this academic year in nurturing the children under the guidance of our *Presbyter, Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben*, who has been with our *Team* encouraging and guiding us in the right direction. Thanking you *St. Andrew's Family*, for your continued support and prayers. Continue to pray for VBS that will take place all over the world, and let every child experience the love that Christ has shown to each of us.

***Mrs. Rashmi S. Mohan Raj***  
*Sunday School Superintendent*

## *Young Couples' Fellowship*

Carrying on with the requests for guidance on varying topics from the couples, *Balancing Marriage and Career* was conducted by *Mrs. Kumuda* on *Sunday, 2nd of March*, after the *Worship Service*. It was a wonderful sharing of her life's testimony alongside late *Rev. Samuel Sujay Kumar*. Real life examples relating to how *Prisilla and Aquilla* managed both career and marriage showcases how things though different in today's world, can still be managed through couples spending time together with God and asking for help when needed.



Do continue to pray for this ministry and the young couples' who have started their journey in Christ.

**Mrs. Rashmi S. Mohan Raj**  
YCF Convener

## Care for The Elderly Ministry



We thank our *Heavenly Father* for bestowing us with *His* love and mercy upon all, and giving us another Care for The Elderly Meeting. *His* love has truly helped us, and we were happy to have *Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben, our Presbyter*, who gave us the message on the Topic "*Draw Away, Draw Toward*", for this month's Fellowship.

The meeting started with a word of *Prayer* from one of our Elders, and our Youth led us in *Praise & Worship* with beautiful Hymns and Songs. We had *Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben* give us the message on being '*Led by the Lord and doing His Will.*' In the Book of John, the Lord is whom we are asked to follow and leave our own ways. Discerning is very important and to love from within is important. When we obey the Lord, we leave our own ways and desire the Lord's ways. Obedience is the key to faith, for it is better to obey than to sacrifice. Love is what we should desire and to obey the Lord's commandments is what we must seek. We must learn to follow His voice and obey His ways. To love the Lord is the greatest commandment but to love our Neighbour is the second biggest. Therefore, let us do our Father's will, and not ours. We must be transformed by the renewal of our mind. Therefore, let us obey the Lord's commandments and follow in the path of Righteousness.

This was followed by a time of sharing testimonies and experiences by our elders. We then had *Fellowship Lunch*.

*Let us give thanks to the Lord for His mercy endures forever.*

**Mr. Praveen Oscar Shiri**  
Convener, CFE

## St. Andrew's School, Siddapura

As the *Academic Year* is about to conclude at our St. Andrew's School, we celebrated the *Graduation Day* on *Saturday, the 15th of March*. The *7th Standard* children conveyed with heartfelt gratitude, their sincere appreciation for the education and memories that they gained from their alma mater.

*Student Spotlight: Master Rehan Shafi, a student from Std 7, received the Best Trier Award - a cheque of ₹ 5000/- and a Trophy from the Governor of Lions Club Bengaluru.*



He also received a *Citation* for his hard work from the bottom to the top scorer in Academics, within a period of six months!

*Our congratulations to Master Rehan Shafi, and God's blessing!*

**Mr. Wilson Prathap**

*Convener, St. Andrew's School*

## **Music Ministry**



### **Stuthi@StAndrew's Outreach in Mysuru:**

Beyond singing in our church and on media, one of the key ministries of *Stuthi@StAndrews* is outreach. Since 2010, Stuthi has been invited to sing for various ministries like FMPB, IEM, FEBA and at churches across Bengaluru and other cities in Karnataka. Stuthi is grateful for one more opportunity to sing at *Sawday Memorial Church* in Mysuru, on Sunday, March 9, 2025.

During the Morning Service, Stuthi presented four special songs:

- Shilube Shilube - A heartfelt prayer of surrender to the infinite love of Jesus, sourced from the audio Album *Kripaa Vaagdaana Vol-5* based on a Hindi Original.
- Shanthidootha Yesuve - A song based on our Lord's Prayer at Gethsemane, composed by Prathap and Dayal Dass. This Solo was rendered for the very first time by Prathap Dass himself.
- Yesuvina Parvata Prasanga - A song inspired by the Sermon on the Mount, composed by Prathap Dass. This was part of Stuthi's DVD album, *Jeevisuvavanu*, released in 2019.
- Yesuvina Shilubeli - A powerful song emphasizing living for Christ, composed by the late Mr. Isaac Karunakara. Stuthi had the honour of performing this piece for the very first time in Mysuru.

The congregation, along with members from other churches who had gathered to hear Stuthi, received the songs with great enthusiasm and appreciation.

### **A Bittersweet Moment:**

On a solemn note, the previous evening (March 8), Stuthi had sound-check at Sawday Church with the full Team. However, Mr. Karunakara passed away the next morning, before we could present his song in the Service. In the midst of this unexpected loss, his children Benny and Sujay who were to accompany on Bass and Rhythm Guitars, also had to leave for Hassan early that morning. Though we deeply mourn his passing away, we are grateful for the opportunity to honour his musical legacy through our singing.

Stuthi had rendered his well-known compositions: Kartha Ninna Preethisuvenu, Ninna Saanidhyakke, Naa Ninna Kannanthe and Nin Bhooyaathreya, earlier. We seek your prayers and the Grace of God to bring to light many of his other beautiful compositions as desired by the family, for the blessing of Christian Community.



### **St. Andrew's Chamber Orchestra (SACO):**

St. Andrew's Chamber Orchestra (SACO), rendered an instrumental version of the familiar Hymn "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded", on Sunday, April 30, 2025 during the English Worship Service. Conducted by Mr. Peter Appaji, the ensemble of violins, viola, cellos and flute brought to life the music of Johan Sebastian Bach, which is generally used for this Hymn. Accompanied by Mr. Andrew Bhagyanathan on the piano, the harmonious rendition aimed to stir and move the congregation calling them to reflect on the lyrics which dwell on the sacrificial and inexplicable love of Christ who bore our suffering.

SACO intends to continue on their journey to participate in the offerings of the music ministry to the church. They meet for practices on *Tuesdays at 6:30 pm*. Interested music students, artists wanting to join the SACO Practice Sessions may get in touch with Mr. Peter Appaji.

### **Mozart's Requiem:**

The Concert Choir and Soloists of Christ (deemed to be) University, performed Mozart's Requiem in our church on Saturday, March 22, 2025. The 70 strong Choir consisted primarily of students from the music department, along with several students from other faculties of the university, alumni and friends of the department.

The Choir was led by its dedicated Conductor, Andrey Morozov from Belarus. With 25 years of experience in opera, an orchestral musician and a leading baritone soloist, he has performed in operas, musicals, and operettas, showcasing his artistry on stages around the world. In addition, he has directed numerous productions at the university and beyond, bringing his deep understanding of vocal artistry and stagecraft to each performance.

For this particular performance at St. Andrew's Church, they made a special artistic choice to enhance the authenticity of the sound. To reflect the sacred character of our church and the music, they decided to use an Organ accompaniment, which added a unique and resonant quality to the choral sound, capturing the spirit of traditional church performances.

The Organ was played by Anastasiya Efimova also from Belarus. She graduated from the prestigious Gnesin Academy of Music in Moscow and from a young age, she has graced concert stages, captivating audiences and earning accolades in numerous international competitions. Today, she is not only a brilliant performer but also inspires the next generation of musicians as a respected organ and piano professor at Christ University.

Since 2017, both Andrey and Natalia Marozava have been integral members of the Western Classical Music Department at Christ University.

The feedback was that it was a *great performance* and was widely appreciated.

**Wg Cdr ID Soans**  
Convener,  
Music Ministry

## Men's Fellowship



A *One-day Retreat* was successfully held on *Saturday March 1, 2025*, at *Breakthrough, Bannerghatta, Bengaluru*. This *Pit-Stop Program* was designed to encourage men to pause amidst life's busyness, reflect deeply, and realign their vision and mission with that of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

This much-needed break provided valuable experiential learning, fostering responsibility, unity, and leadership within families, the church, and the broader society.

The *Retreat* began with the *Opening Prayer* by our Secretary, *Mr. Vijay Palanna*, followed by *Praise and Worship* led by *Mr. John Mohan Raj* and *Mr. Jason*.

*Mr. Robin Paul*, the *CEO of Breakthrough*, facilitated the experiential activities. *Our learnings were centred around:*

- Purpose-Driven Living - Key Verse: *Ephesians 2:10*
- Walking in Integrity; Righteousness - Key Verse: *Proverbs 20:7*
- Brotherhood and Accountability - Key Verse: *Proverbs 27:17*

The *Retreat* also served as a platform for men to discuss and plan future *Fellowship Activities* in alignment with our church's vision. The discussion was led by the Convener, *Mr. J. A. Prakash*.

The *Concluding Address* was delivered by our *Presbyter, Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben*, followed by the *Closing Prayer* and the *Benediction*.

The *Men's Fellowship* members expressed their joy and gratitude for this enriching *Retreat*, appreciating the church's support - the congregation, members of the *Pastorate Committee*, and our *Presbyter Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben*, in making it a meaningful and impactful experience.

Thank you, members of the *Men's Fellowship* for your presence and participation.

**Mr. J. A. Prakash**  
Convener





## SEEKERS NOOK

The month of Easter challenges us to rediscover a God who neither abandons nor forsakes us, a God who wants us to believe in the great power of selfless love, and a God who comforts us with Resurrection. A comfort to believe and profess that death, in all its forms and manifestations, does not, and will never, have the last word in our destiny as human beings.

Up next are statements spoken during the days leading to the Death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Can you identify the speakers?

### WHO SAID THAT??

1. "I find no guilt in this man."
2. "Remember me when you come into your kingdom."
3. "It is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish."
4. "Even if I have to die with you, I will not deny You."
5. "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!"
6. "Surely this was the son of God."
7. "He has uttered blasphemy. What further witnesses do we need?"
8. "Have nothing to do with that righteous man, for I have suffered much because of him today in a dream."
9. "Order the tomb to be made secure until the third day, lest his disciples go and steal him away."
10. "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down."

Correct entries will be published in next month's Newsletter along with Answer Keys. Send your **printed** answers to **the Church WhatsApp number 9741401874** by **20th April 2025** in the following format:

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## REFLECTION

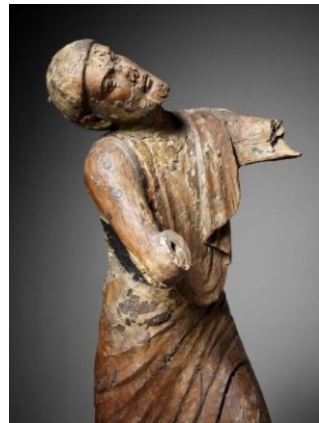
### Joseph of Arimathea

With the exception of a few verses in each Gospel, Joseph of Arimathea disappears off the pages of Scripture just as quickly as he arrives. Who was this man who was mentioned in only sixteen verses, in all four of the Gospels? And why should we identify with him?

Joseph of Arimathea played an important role in the burial of Jesus Christ. His account can be found in each of the four Gospels: Matthew 27:57–60; Mark 15:42–46; Luke 23:50–53; and John 19:38–42. Hailing from the Jewish town of Arimathea, Joseph is referred to as a good and righteous man.

He was a wealthy member of the Sanhedrin, the highest religious court in ancient Judaism, yet he secretly followed Jesus. Joseph had not consented to the council's decision and action regarding the death penalty of Jesus. In other words, Joseph was not part of the majority. Though Joseph was afraid to profess his allegiance to Jesus while he was alive, in the face of Jesus' death, he stepped up when Jesus' closest disciples abandoned him. Joseph is most noteworthy for his courageous act of requesting the body of Jesus Christ from Pontius Pilate, the Roman governor after the crucifixion. This act is significant, as it was not common for the body of a crucified criminal to be given proper burial. Normally, those crucified were left on the cross as a public spectacle, but Joseph's request shows his reverence for Jesus and his desire to honor Him. This was a risky move because openly associating with Jesus could have brought severe consequences. However, Joseph of Arimathea was willing to sacrifice his status and wealth for the Lord. Though it must have been an arduous, soul wrenching experience, he took it upon himself (with help from Nicodemus) to receive Jesus' body and make sure Jesus received an honourable burial. After the customary embalming, Joseph buried Jesus in his own tomb, fulfilling the prophecy in Isaiah 53:9 that the Messiah would be buried in a rich man's grave. Joseph honoured Jesus in death, thereby playing an important role in the Resurrection account.

*Joseph of Arimathea's actions demonstrate bold faith and courage in the face of opposition. His willingness to give up his tomb for Jesus reflects the sacrificial nature of true discipleship. Joseph's quiet devotion and obedience to God's will provide an example for Christians today. His role in the burial of Jesus reminds believers that even in the face of fear, standing up for the truth and honoring Jesus is of utmost importance.*



A wooden sculpture of Joseph of Arimathea is displayed at the **Louvre Abu Dhabi**. The posture with the slightly tilted head, body turned to one side and outheld arms suggest that Joseph was reaching to receive the body of Christ taken down from the cross. This church sculpture was part of a group representing the "Descent from the Cross".

### **Joseph of Arimathea, disciple of Christ**

Attributed to the Descent from the Cross workshop in Tivoli Central Italy, 1230-1240

Christ is Risen Maze Activity

Help Mary Magdalene find her way to the empty tomb

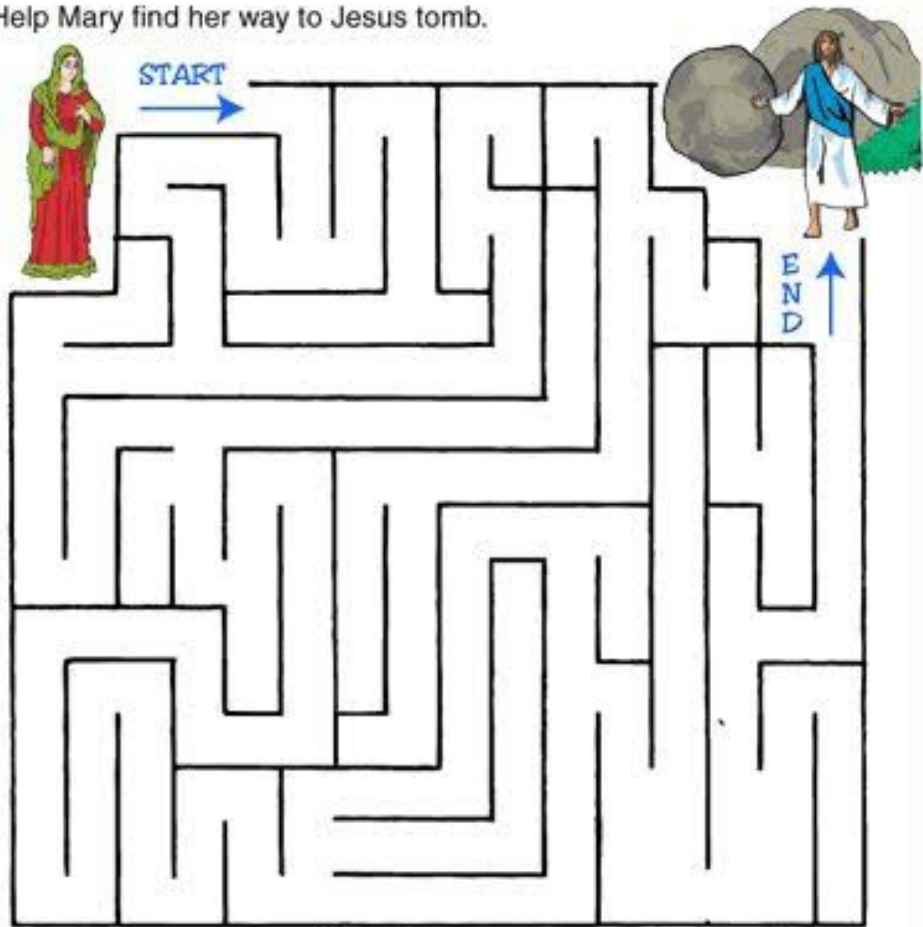
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*Jesus is Alive Maze*

Early Easter morning, Mary Magdalene visited Jesus' tomb. The stone had been rolled away, and Jesus was not in the tomb. She was very sad because she thought someone had taken Jesus' body.

Then Mary saw a man she thought was the gardener. She was so happy to see the man was Jesus! She ran to tell the disciples Jesus was alive.

Help Mary find her way to Jesus tomb.



## Jelly Bean Prayer

The Jelly Bean Prayer is a short, sweet poem that uses jelly bean colours to teach kids about Christ's sacrifice at the cross. Each colour represents part of God's story of redemption. Plus, the use of sweets to tell the story of Easter is a great way to make this crucial story meaningful and exciting!

**Black** is for our sin – wrong things we have done

**Red** is for Jesus' blood - He shed for everyone

**White** is for a clean heart – when in Jesus we believe

**Yellow** is for the streets in Heaven – promised when Jesus we receive

**Green** is for growing; hide His Word in your heart

**Put your trust in Jesus** – give your life a brand new start!

## HOLY WEEK READING PLAN

<b>Palm Sunday</b>	<i>Triumphal entry</i> Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-44, John 12:12-19
<b>Monday</b>	<i>Jesus clears the Temple courts</i> Matthew 21:10-17, Mark 11:15-18, Luke 19:45-48 John 2:13-25
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>Authority of Jesus questioned, Jesus speaks in parables</i> Matthew 21:23 to 24:51; Mark 11:27 to 13:37; Luke 20:1 to 21:36
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>The Anointing of Jesus</i> Matthew 26: 6-13; Mark 14:3-9; Luke 7:36-50; John 12:1-8
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	<i>Passover and The Last Supper</i> Matthew 26:17-30; Mark 14:12-26; Luke 27:7-23; John 13:1-30
<b>Good Friday</b>	<i>Crucifixion</i> Matthew 27:1-66; Mark 15:1-47; Luke 22:66 to 23:56; John 18:28 to 19:37
<b>Resurrection Sunday</b>	<i>Christ is Risen</i> Matthew 28:1-13; Mark 16:1-20; Luke 24:1-49; John 20:1-31

## Congratulations Stars for the month of March 2025

1. Esther Suguna Simeon
2. Deepan Elbert Pramodan
3. Felicia Manoraj
4. Leanne Charisha Rao Essampally
5. Daisy Mark Prabhu
6. Annie Felix
7. Andrew Jabez K



8. Angelina Caren Soans
9. Lynette Natasha Karkada
10. Kenneth David
11. Eva Amanya Bethapudi
12. Archit David Desigan
13. Rishon Sherwin
14. Gitanjali Lazarus
15. Rosabelle Prabhakar

## Unscramble Answers for the month of March 2025

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| 1. Angels   | 7. Forty      |
| 2. Temple   | 8. Wilderness |
| 3. Bread    | 9. Stones     |
| 4. Kingdoms | 10. Hungry    |
| 5. Worship  | 11. Mountain  |
| 6. Command  | 12. Tempted   |

## HAPPENINGS DURING THE MONTH OF MARCH 2025

### NEW MEMBERS

**Mrs. Ruby Rajkumar**  
**Mrs. Sheryl Nivya B**

### OBITUARY



#### Sujit Mark Salis

aged 67 years; husband of Shirin Salis, father of Nikhita Andrea Salis and father-in-law of Nitin Samuel,  
Slept in the Lord on Tuesday, 4th February 2025



#### Mr. Raja Anand

aged 69 years; husband of Mrs. Anne Lalitha Kumari, father of Julius Praveen Nicholas & Jared Solomon,  
Slept in the Lord on Saturday, 22nd March 2025

## Calendar for the First Week of May 2025

	<i>2nd Sunday After Easter</i>			
*5th May 1st Sunday	<b>Theme: Re-reading the Scripture with the Risen Lord</b>			
	<b>*Combined Holy Communion Worship Service</b>			
Old Testament	2 Chronicles 34: 29 - 33	Mr. Wilson Prathap	<b>9:00 a.m</b>	
Epistle	Acts 8: 26 - 40	Miss Vivian Evangeline Shiri		
Gospel	St. Luke 24: 13 - 27	Wg Cdr I D Soans (K)		
Evening Service	Preacher: Dr. John Vasumitra			6.15 p.m



# Lenten and Holy Week Meditations 2025

## New Life

<b>Friday</b> 11th April 2025 6:30 pm	<b>Lenten Service</b> <i>New Life and Accomplishment</i>	St. Luke 18: 31 - 34	Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben
DATE & TIME	THEME	SCRIPTURE LESSON	PREACHER
<b>Sunday</b> 13th April 2025 9:00 am	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> <i>New Life and Embracing multiple voices</i>	Zechariah 9: 9 - 12 Ephesians 4: 17 - 24 St. Luke 19: 28 - 40 (K)	Rev. Sam Koshy P
<b>Monday</b> 14th April 2025 6:30 pm	<b>HOLY WEEK</b> <i>New Life and Embracing Change</i>	St. Luke 19: 45 - 48	Rev. Sam Koshy P
<b>Tuesday</b> 15th April 2025 6:30 pm	<b>HOLY WEEK</b> <i>New Life and Embracing Authority</i>	St. Luke 20: 1 - 8	Rev. Sam Koshy P
<b>Wednesday</b> 16th April 2025 6:30 pm	<b>HOLY WEEK</b> <i>New Life and Embracing New beginnings</i>	St. Luke 21: 34 - 38	Rev. Sam Koshy P
<b>Thursday*</b> 17th April 2025 6:30 pm	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> (Holy Communion)* <i>Eucharist and Community of New Life</i>	Exodus 12: 1 - 7 1 Corinthians 11: 23 - 34 St. Luke 22: 14 - 23 (K)	Rev. Dr. Allan Palanna

### GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

DATE & TIME	THEME	SCRIPTURE LESSON	PREACHER
<b>Friday</b> 18th April 2025 9:00 am	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> <i>New Life and Accomplishment of Salvation</i>	Exodus 14: 15 - 20 Hebrews 13: 8 - 16 St. Luke 23: 26 - 43 (K)	Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben
<b>Friday</b> 18th April 2025 11:30 am to 3:00 pm	GOOD FRIDAY		
	1st Word	St. Luke 23: 34	Dr. Stafford Cripps
	2nd Word	St. Luke 23: 43	Rev. Silpa Rani
	3rd Word	St. John 19: 26 - 27	Rev. M. B. Kotian
	4th Word	St. Matthew 27: 46	Rev. Dr. R. Sahayadhas
	5th Word	St. John 19: 28	Rev. Melvin
	6th Word	St. John 19: 30	Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben
7th Word	St. Luke 23: 46	Rev. Dr. Allan Palanna	

### EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES

DATE & TIME	THEME	SCRIPTURE LESSON	PREACHER
<b>Sunday*</b> 20th April 2025 5:00 am	<b>EASTER SUNDAY SUNRISE SERVICE</b> (Holy Communion) <i>New Life and the Power of Transformation</i> <i>Service begins with a Play by the Youth Fellowship</i>	Isaiah 43: 16 - 21 1 Corinthians 15: 20 - 28 St. Luke 24: 1 - 12 (K)	Celebrant & Preacher Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben
<b>Sunday*</b> 20th April 2025 9:00 am	<b>EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE</b> (Holy Communion) <i>New Life and the Power of Transformation</i>	Isaiah 43: 16 - 21 1 Corinthians 15: 20 - 28 St. Luke 24: 1 - 12 (K)	



  
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Rs. 450 for Youth Fellowship,

Rs. 650 for M&E

# Calendar for the Month of April 2025

*6th April 1st Sunday	2nd Sunday before Easter, 5th Sunday in Lent			
	PASSION SUNDAY			
	Theme: New Life and Cross as a Paradigm of Discipleship			
	Celebrant & Preacher Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben	*Combined Holy Communion Worship Service		
Old Testament	Genesis 26: 17 - 25	Mr. Erol Shailesh Watsa	9:00 a.m	
Epistle	2 Corinthians 11: 22 - 30	Mr. Nirag Darren Soans		
Gospel	St. Luke 18: 35 - 43	Mr. J. A. Prakash (K)		
Evening Service	Preacher: Dr. John Vasumitra		6.15 p.m	
13th April 2nd Sunday	PALM SUNDAY			
	Theme: New Life and Embracing multiple voices			
	Preacher: Rev. Sam Koshy P	Combined Worship Service		
	Old Testament	Zechariah 9: 9 - 12	Mrs. Asha Franklyn	9:00 a.m
Epistle	Ephesians 4: 17 - 24	Miss Vivian Evangeline Shiri		
Gospel	St. Luke 19: 28 - 40	Wg Cdr I D Soans (K)		
Evening Service	VBS Final Day Program		4.30 p.m	
*20th April 3rd Sunday	EASTER SUNDAY			
	Theme: New Life and the Power of Transformation			
	Celebrant & Preacher Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben	Play by the Youth Fellowship <i>Followed by</i> *Combined Holy Communion Worship Service		
	Old Testament	Isaiah 43: 16 - 21	Mr. Joshi Mark Premnath	Easter Service 9:00 a.m
	Epistle	1 Corinthians 15: 20 - 28	Mrs. Rashmi S. Mohanraj	
	Gospel	St. Luke 24: 1 - 12	Mr. Praveen Oscar Shiri (K)	
No Evening Service				
27th April 4th Sunday	1st Sunday after Easter			
	Theme: New Life and Empowerment by the Risen Lord			
	Preacher: Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben	Kannada		
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Old Testament	Genesis 28: 10 - 17	Mr. Susinder Herbert (K)	9.30 a.m	
		Ms. Vinisha Halli		
Epistle	Acts 20: 7 - 12	Mr. Arjun Christopher (K)		
		Miss Tara Leah Mark		
Gospel	St. Luke 24: 13 - 35	Miss A. Amulya Charlette (K)		
		Miss Deepali Elizabeth Pramodan		
Evening Service	Preacher: Rev. Dr. Dexter S. Maben		6.15 p.m	

**Note:** Kindly keep the Church Office informed in advance about your inability to be present for the Scripture reading as scheduled.