



(For Private Circulation Only)

NEWSLETTER

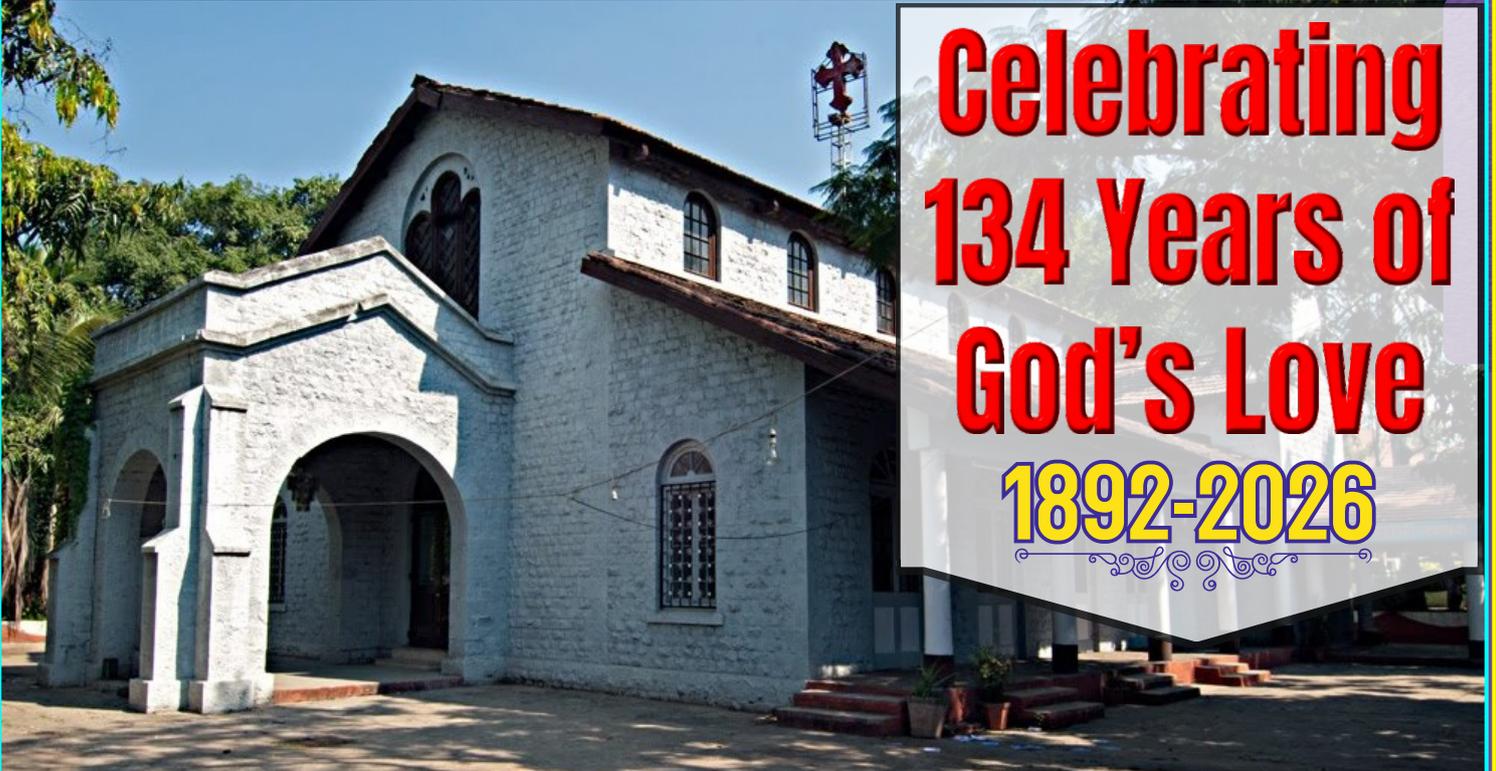
VOLUME-19; ISSUE-3

MARCH 2026

தூய மத்தேயு தமிழ் ஆலயம்

புனே திருமண்டலம் (வட இந்திய திருச்சபை)

19, டாக்டர் அம்பேத்கர் சாலை, புனே - 411 001



Celebrating  
134 Years of  
God's Love  
1892-2026

[stmtcpune@gmail.com](mailto:stmtcpune@gmail.com)



[www.stmatthewstamilchurch.com](http://www.stmatthewstamilchurch.com)



St. Matthew's Tamil Church, Pune

**Sunday Service 11:40 a.m.**

LENT

A TIME FOR US TO  
CHANGE OUR LIVES AND  
GROW IN HOLINESS



*"O come, let us worship and bow down:  
let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For He is our God; and we are the people of His pasture,  
and the sheep of His hand."*

- Psalm 95:6-7a

Rev. John Stephen

Priest in-charge

St. Matthew's Tamil Church  
Pune



94050 10294  
97650 77054



revsjohn@gmail.com



கிறிஸ்துவுக்குள் அன்பானவர்களே,

இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் இனிய நாமத்தில் வாழ்த்துக்களை தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கிறேன்!

இந்த மாதத்திலும், 25 - ஆம் தேதி, இயேசுவின் தாயாகிய மரியாளின் மங்கள வாக்குத் திருநாளை ஆசரிக்க இருக்கிறோம்.

மரியாள் தேவனிடத்தில் கிருபை பெற்றவளாக காணப்பட்டாள். மரியாள் தேவனுக்கு முன்பாக தாழ்மையுள்ளவளாக இருந்தப்படியால்தான், அவளால் தேவனிடமிருந்து கிருபையைப் பெற முடிந்தது.

நாமும் தேவனின் முன்பாக நம்மை எப்பொழுதும் தாழ்த்துவோம். ஏற்ற வேளையில் அவர் நம்மை தமது கிருபையால் உயர்த்துவார்.

இப்போதும் நாம் லெந்துகாலத்தினை ஆசரித்து கொண்டு இருக்கிறோம். இயேசுவானவர் சாத்தானிடமிருந்து தமக்கு வந்த சோதனைகளை தேவனுடைய வார்த்தைகளை கொண்டு ஜெயித்தது போல, நாமும் ஜெயிக்க தேவன் நம்மை தமது வார்த்தைகளால் நிரப்பி, பலப்படுத்தி அருள்புரிவாராக!

இந்த மாதத்தின் 29 ஆம் தேதி அன்று நாம் குருத்தோலை ஞாயிற்றினை ஆசரிக்க இருக்கின்றோம். இந்நாள் இயேசு வெற்றிகரமாக எருசலேமிற்குள் நுழைவதை கொண்டாடும் நாள். சமாதானத்தின் அடையாளமாக தாழ்மையோடு அவர் கழுதையின் மேல் எருசலேமிற்குள் நுழைந்தார்.

அந்நாளில் மக்கள் உபயோகப் படுத்தின குருத்தோலை வெற்றிக்கும், மகிழ்ச்சிக்கும் அடையாளமாக இருந்தது. ஆனால் அன்று இயேசு எருசலேம் நகரத்தைப் பார்த்து கண்ணீர் விட்டழுதார், அந்த நகரம் சமாதானத்துக்கு ஏற்றவைகளை அறிந்திருக்கவில்லை, தேவன் அதனை சந்திக்கும் காலத்தை அறியாமல் போய்விட்டது.

இன்றும் நாம் எருசலேம் நகரத்தார் ஓசன்னா (என்னை இரட்சியும்) என்று ஆர்ப்பரித்தது போல நமது இரட்சிப்புக்கு தேவனை வேண்டுவோமாக!

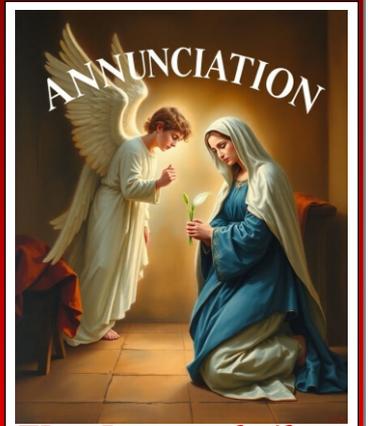
தேவன் தாமே உங்களை ஆசீர்வதிப்பாராக!

**இறைமைந்தன் இயேசுவின் இறைசேவையில்**

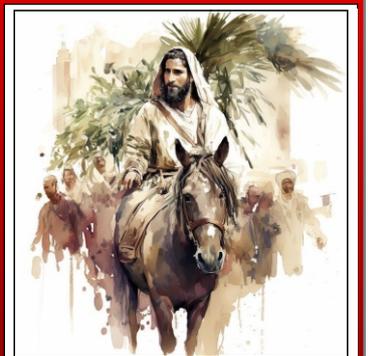
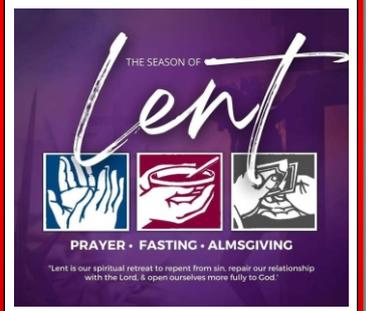
**அருள்திரு. ஜான் ஸ்டீபன்**

**சபை போதகர்**

**தூய மத்தேயு தமிழ் ஆலயம்**



**The Annunciation  
of Mary**



**Palm Sunday**

**Verse of the Month - இம்மாதத்திற்கான வேத வசனம்**

பசியுள்ளவனுக்கு உன் ஆகாரத்தைப்  
பகிர்ந்துகொடுக்கிறதும், தூரத்துண்ட  
சிறுமையானவர்களை வீட்டிலே  
சேர்த்துக்கொள்ளுகிறதும், வஸ்திரமில்லாதவனைக்  
கண்டால் அவனுக்கு வஸ்திரங் கொடுக்கிறதும்,  
உன் மாம்சமானவனுக்கு உன்னை  
ஹிக்காமலிருக்கிறதும் அல்லவோ  
எனக்கு உகந்த உபவாசம். -ஏசாயா 58:7

IS IT NOT TO SHARE YOUR BREAD WITH THE HUNGRY,  
AND THAT YOU BRING TO YOUR HOUSE  
THE POOR WHO ARE CAST OUT;  
WHEN YOU SEE THE NAKED, THAT YOU COVER HIM,  
AND NOT HIDE YOURSELF FROM YOUR OWN FLESH ?

- Isaiah 58:7

## *Journey to the Cross - Surrendered Hearts, Steadfast Faith*

*As we get closer to the cross, Lent becomes more intense. March serves as a reminder that being a follower of Christ requires daily surrender and is not passive.*

*Our hearts are brought into alignment with God's will, pride is humbled, and distractions are eliminated on the path to Calvary.*

*Jesus obeyed completely as he made his way to the cross. Despite knowing the price, he decided not to give up. We are encouraged to follow that same path during Lent—not in hopelessness, but in devotion.*

*Setting aside our personal goals and fully relying on God, even when things seem difficult, are hallmarks of true discipleship. We learn this season that strength comes from surrender. We create space for God's power when we relinquish control. Grace comes to us when we turn from sin and confess. We become closer to Christ when we give up ourselves.*

*The cross is a doorway to change as well as a symbol of suffering. Don't oppose this season's refining efforts. Allow God to reveal what needs to be healed. Allow Him to soften the hardened things. Allow Him to fortify what has become feeble. The goal of Lent is to put your heart before God, not to be perfect.*

***“Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.”  
- Luke 9:23***

## Sermon Topics - பிரசங்க தலைப்புகள்

DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
1 <sup>st</sup> March 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday before Easter	Christ gives the "living water" of the Spirit.	Isaiah 55:1-6; Psalm 42; Revelation 22:1-7; John 7:37-39.
8 <sup>th</sup> March 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday before Easter	Christ is the Light of the world.	Numbers 9:15-23; Psalm 27; 1 Peter 2:1-10; Luke 8:1-3.
15 <sup>th</sup> March 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Easter	Christ is the Resurrection and the Life.	2 Kings 4:32-37; Psalm 76:1-12; Acts 20:7-12; Luke 7:11-17.
22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Easter Mission Sunday	The meaning of death of Christ.	Isaiah 53:1-12; Psalm 92:1-15; Romans 5:12-21; John 12:20-36.
29 <sup>th</sup> March Sunday before Easter Palm Sunday	The Servant King enters in Glory.	Isaiah 42:1-4; Psalm 28; Revelation 5:1-8; Luke 19:29-40.

## Answers to February '26 Bible Treasures - கடந்த மாத வேதாகம புத்தையல் பதில்கள்

1. கடுந்துரோகம் — புலம்பல் 1:20; rebelled - Lamentations 1:20
2. பெருமூச்சுகள் — புலம்பல் 1:22; sighs - Lamentations 1:22
3. கூப்பிடுகிறது — புலம்பல் 2:18; cried - Lamentations 2:18
4. சமூகத்தில் — புலம்பல் 2:19; face - Lamentations 2:19
5. கைகளோடுங்கூட — புலம்பல் 3:41; hands - Lamentations 3:41
6. களிகூருதல் — புலம்பல் 5:15; joy - Lamentations 5:15
7. இருண்டுபோயின — புலம்பல் 5:17; dim - Lamentations 5:17
8. வார்த்தைகளை — எசேக்கியேல் 3:10; words - Ezekiel 3:10
9. சதையான — எசேக்கியேல் 11:19; flesh - Ezekiel 11:19
10. அக்கிரமமாகிய — எசேக்கியேல் 14:3; iniquity - Ezekiel 14:3



## Online Offering - ஆன்லைன் காணிக்கை

As per the request of our members, we are giving an option to pay your **Subscriptions / Regular / Thanks / Mission Sunday / Self-Denial offerings**, through Online transfer to our Church Bank Account. Kindly send the screenshot of the receipt of amount transferred and a detailed information of the category of the Offering to

**Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Benielraj Jacob at 98977 82449.**

Receipt for the offering will be given in Church.

### Church Bank Account Details

A/c.Name: St Matthews Tami Church  
A/c.No.: 53312010006043  
Bank Name: Canara Bank  
Branch: Pune Camp  
IFSC code: CNRB0015324



**1<sup>ST</sup> MS. MELITTA PILLAI**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> MS. OLIVIA ANITA**  
**3<sup>RD</sup> MAST. NORBERT DANIEL**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> MR. ALLAN PILLAI**

**10<sup>TH</sup> MR. LAWRENCE ISRAEL**  
**MR. ABIEL ANAND**

**11<sup>TH</sup> MS. SHEKIANAH BENIELRAJ**

**12<sup>TH</sup> MRS. J. MARY INDIRA**  
**MR. STANLEY DANIEL**  
**MRS. NAGOMI ARUN**

**13<sup>TH</sup> MAST. KEVIN PAUL**

**14<sup>TH</sup> MR. JOHNSON GABRIEL**

**16<sup>TH</sup> MRS. JOHNSY BESTUS**  
**MAST. JEFFRON SURESH**  
**MS. JONISINGH J**

**17<sup>TH</sup> MS. MONICA SRI**

**18<sup>TH</sup> MR. JAYAKUMAR PAUL**

**19<sup>TH</sup> MRS. SANTHAKUMARI SILVISTER**

**21<sup>ST</sup> MR. ARUL CHELLIAH**

**23<sup>RD</sup> MAST. ALAN LAWRENCE**  
**MAST. RISHAWN**

**24<sup>TH</sup> MS. BERYL IDA**  
**MRS. JASMINE JOSEPH**

**25<sup>TH</sup> MRS. ELGIN SHELTON**  
**MR. KEVIN SHELTON**  
**MS. JOANNA BENIELRAJ**



God created you with his hands; He knows your name and  
your thoughts; He blesses you with life, with love;  
and the joy of another year to know Him.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!**

*Blessings from* **STMTC** *Family*

Wedding Day Wishes - திருமணநாள் வாழ்த்துக்கள்!

Happy  
Wedding  
Anniversary



6<sup>TH</sup> MRS. & MR. SWAMI PILLAI



May the Almighty God continue to bless your family abundantly in the coming years. May your marriage be blessed with love, joy and peace all through your lives.

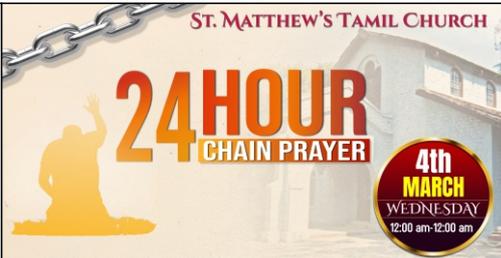
**WISHING ALL CELEBRANTS A HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

*Blessings from* **STMTC** *Family*

## Bible Riddles - வேதாகம விடுகதைகள்

1. தாழ்மையானவர்களை உயர்த்தினார். பசியுள்ளவர்களை நன்மைகளினால் நிரப்பி, ஐசுவரியமுள்ளவர்களை வெறுமையாய் அனுப்பிவிட்டார் என்று சொன்னது யார்?
2. இயேசுவின் சிலுவையினருகே அவருடைய -----ம், அவருடைய தாயின் சகோதரி ----- ம், -----ம் நின்று கொண்டிருந்தார்கள்.

## Important Days of this month - இம்மாதத்தின் முக்கிய நாட்கள்

1 <sup>st</sup>		<b>½ hour Prayer after the Service</b> A special prayer for 30 minutes to pray for our church, city and country.
4 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Monthly 24 Hrs Chain Prayer</b> A 24-hour chain prayer is conducted on the first Wednesday of the month where we pray for our church and its members, our Pastor and committee members, missionaries, Pune city, our country and our world.
6 <sup>th</sup>		<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Lenten Friday Service (7:00 pm)</b> Lent is the solemn Christian religious observance in preparation for Easter.
6 <sup>th</sup>		<b>World Day of Prayer</b> The World Day of Prayer is an international ecumenical Christian laywomen's initiative. It is run under the motto "Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action" and is celebrated annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. The Women's World Day of Prayer started in the US in 1887 and slowly spread to other countries.
7 <sup>th</sup>		<b>Women's Retreat</b> All women are invited to a special women's retreat at our church on Saturday, March 7. The guest speakers will be Sis. Rajakumari and Sis. Rinita. Come for a time of worship, teaching and fellowship. Lunch will be provided.
8 <sup>th</sup>		<b>International Women's Day</b> International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on March 8, commemorating women's fight for equality and liberation along with the women's rights movement.

12<sup>th</sup>

POPE ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

March 12

PRAY FOR US



### Gregory, The Great

Pope Gregory I (c. 540 – 12 March 604), commonly known as Saint Gregory the Great was the 64<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Rome from 3 September 590 until his death on 12 March 604. He is known for instituting the first recorded large-scale mission from Rome, the Gregorian mission, to convert the then largely pagan Anglo-Saxons to Christianity

13<sup>th</sup>

கூராய மத்தேயு துழிற் ஆலையம். புனெ

Join us for the



4<sup>th</sup> LENT FRIDAY Service



### 4<sup>th</sup> Lenten Friday Service (7:00 pm)

Lent echoes the 40 days that Jesus spent fasting in the desert and enduring temptation by Satan, before beginning his public ministry.

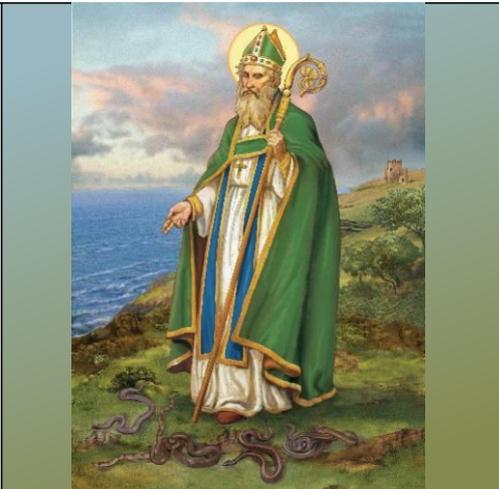
15<sup>th</sup>



### Vethappan Solomon Day

Vethappan Solomon, a Tamil, was converted to Christianity prior to 1895. He was a government employee in the Andaman Islands. He was also a catechist for the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. He soon opened a school, which began with twelve students. He and his wife also offered medical care, encouraged dairy farming and the cultivation of fruits and vegetables, and taught sewing and carpentry. Solomon was a Christian missionary in the Nicobar Islands. When he died in 1909, there were 128 baptized Christians on Car Nicobar. He encouraged his students to memorize and repeat key passages of scripture.

17<sup>th</sup>



### St. Patrick's Day

Saint Patrick was a 5th-century Christian missionary and bishop in Ireland. He was born in Roman Britain in the fourth century, into a wealthy Romano-British family. His father was a Christian deacon and his grandfather a priest. At the age of sixteen, he was kidnapped by Irish raiders and taken as a slave to Gaelic Ireland. He spent six years there working as a shepherd and during that time, he found God. God told Patrick to flee to the coast, where a ship would be waiting to take him home. After making his way home, Patrick went on to become a priest. According to tradition, Patrick returned to Ireland to convert the pagan Irish to Christianity. He spent many years evangelising in the northern half of Ireland and converted thousands.

20<sup>th</sup>

கூராய மத்தேயு துழிற் ஆலையம். புனெ

Join us for the



5<sup>th</sup> LENT FRIDAY Service



### 5<sup>th</sup> Lenten Friday Service (7:00 pm)

Lent is a period of repentance which necessarily ends with a great celebration of Easter.

21<sup>st</sup>



INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION MARCH 21

### Day of Elimination of Racial Discrimination

On March 21, 1960, police opened fire at a peaceful demonstration in Sharpeville, South Africa, against the pass laws. In the event known as the Sharpeville massacre, 69 people were killed and 180 injured. In 1966, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed March 21 as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

22<sup>nd</sup>

St. Matthew's Tamil Church, Pune



### Mission Sunday Service

On the fourth Sunday of the month, we observe Mission Sunday led by one of our fellowship groups and we pray especially for missionaries serving the Lord.

22<sup>nd</sup>



### World Water Day

World Water Day is an international observance day held on March 22 that highlights the importance of fresh water. The day is used to advocate for the sustainable management of freshwater resources. The intention is to inspire people around the world to learn more about water-related issues and to take action to make a difference. Relevant issues include water scarcity, water pollution, inadequate water supply, lack of sanitation and the impacts of climate change.

23<sup>rd</sup>



### World Meteorological Day

World Meteorological Day was established in 1951 to commemorate the establishment of the World Meteorological Organization on 23 March 1950. It began operations to coordinate member nations in the fields of meteorology, operational hydrology, and Earth sciences for the security of their population.

25<sup>th</sup>



### The Annunciation of Mary

The Annunciation is the Christian celebration of the Archangel Gabriel's announcement to the Virgin Mary that she would conceive and bear Jesus, the Son of God, marking the Incarnation. (Luke 1:26-38) Mary's humble consent, "Let it be with me according to your word" shows her trust in God and complete surrender to His will. The day of Anunciation of Mary occurs on March 25, exactly nine months before Christmas.

27<sup>th</sup>



### 6<sup>th</sup> Lenten Friday Service (7:00 pm)

The three pillars of Lent according to Lutheran tradition are: Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving.

28<sup>th</sup>



### Monthly Bible Study

On the last Saturday of this month, we have a monthly online Bible study on the "Acts of the Apostles" on YouTube, led by Rev. Dr. Stanly Jones who is a New Testament Professor at UBS.

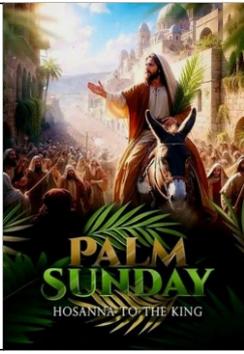
28<sup>th</sup>



### Cross-making and Decorations (6 pm)

We request our church members to come and help with making crosses using palm leaves and in decorating the church in preparation for the Palm Sunday Service.

29<sup>th</sup>



### Palm Sunday Service

Palm Sunday marks Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, riding on a donkey, thus fulfilling an Old Testament prophecy about the Promised Messiah. The crowds cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. They shouted, **"Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"** As a congregation, we will go on a procession around our church building and sing the Tamil song **"Hosanna Paaduvom"**, while waving palms.

30<sup>th</sup>



### Holy Monday Service

Holy Monday is the second day of the Holy Week. It marks the beginning of the final, intense, and solemn days leading to Good Friday and Easter. According to the gospels, on this day Jesus cursed the fig tree and it withered. (Matthew 21:18-19)

31<sup>st</sup>



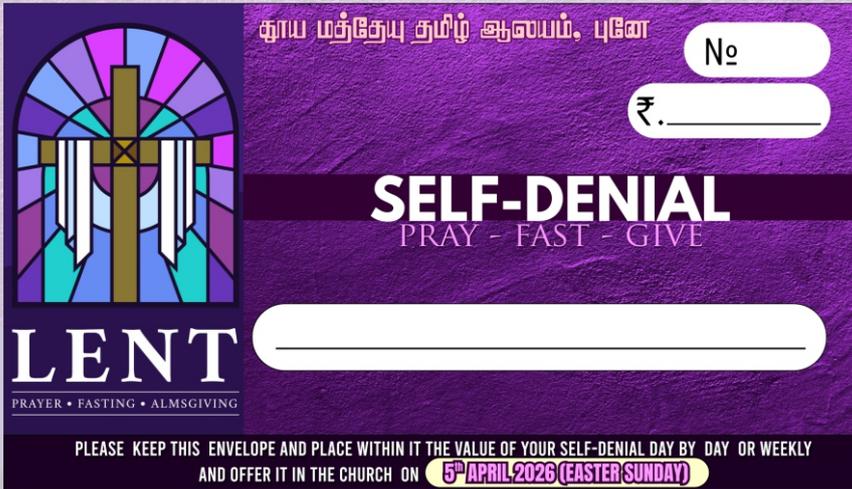
### Holy Tuesday Service

Holy Tuesday is the third day of the Holy Week.

### Announcement - அறிவிப்புகள்

**KINDLY OFFER YOUR**

**SELF-DENIAL COVER & LENTEN BOX OFFERING**



During

**EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE**

on

**5<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2026**

**LENT**  
PRAYER • FASTING • ALMSGIVING



தூய மத்தேயு தமிழ் ஆலயம், புனே  
செத்தம்

மகளிர்  
தின  
ஒரு நாள் கூடுகை  
சுழலில்

WOMEN *of*  
THEME WORTH



Sis. Rajakumari



Sis. Rinita

பங்குபெறுங்கள்! ஆசீர்வாதம் பெறுங்கள்!!

மார்ச்  
7  
2026

நாள்&தேதி:

சனிக்கிழமை, காலை 10 மணி முதல் மாலை 4 மணி வரை

இடம்:

தூய மத்தேயு தமிழ் ஆலயம்  
19, டாக்டர் அமிரேபதிகாரி சாலை  
புனே - 411 001

அனுமதி இலவசம்  
ஐக்கிய மதிய உணவு ஒழுங்கு செய்யப்பட்டுள்ளது

தொடர்புக்கு:

Rev. John Stephen (94050 10294)  
Mrs. Malgiga Jayakumar (80552 61976)



# St. Matthew's Tamil Church, Pune

Presents

## Women's DAY One Day Retreat in Tamil

**WOMEN** of  
**THEME** **WORTH**



*Sis. Rajakumari*



*Sis. Rinita*

Participate!

Be Blessed!!

**MARCH**  
**7**  
**2026**

Day & Time :

SATURDAY, 10 AM TO 4 PM

Place :

ST. MATTHEW'S TAMIL CHURCH  
19, DR. AMBEDKAR ROAD  
PUNE 411001

Entry Free  
Fellowship Lunch is Arranged

For Details Contact:

Rev. John Stephen (94050 10294)  
Mrs. Malgiga Jayakumar (80552 61976)



# St. Matthew's Tamil Church, Pune

## LENTEN CALENDAR - MARCH 2026

*Theme:* **THE CROSS**

**6<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Lenten Friday Service**

**Topic:** *"Suffering and Hope"*

**Speaker:** *Bro. Matthew Jayapaul*

**13<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH**

**4<sup>th</sup> Lenten Friday Service**

**Topic:** *"Carrying the Cross and following Him"*

**Speaker:** *Bro. Edward Matthew*

**20<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH**

**5<sup>th</sup> Lenten Friday Service**

**Topic:** *"Victory over Sin and Death"*

**Speaker:** *Bro. Jeffrin Jesuraja*

**27<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH**

**6<sup>th</sup> Lenten Friday Service**

**Topic:** *"The Love of God for the World"*

**Speaker:** *Rev. John Stephen*

**29<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH**

**Palm Sunday Holy Communion Service**

**Speaker:** *Rev. John Stephen*

**30<sup>th</sup>  
MARCH**

**Holy Monday Service**

**Speaker:** *Rev. John Stephen*

**31<sup>st</sup>  
MARCH**

**Holy Tuesday Service**

**Speaker:** *Bro. Edward Matthew*



# St. Matthew's Tamil Church, Pune

## THIS LENT PRAY FOR THE FAMILIES

MRS. & MR. ARUL CHELLIAH  
 MRS. & MR. C. ARUN IMMANUEL  
 MRS. & MR. ARUN UDAYAN  
 MRS. ADELINE BABU  
 MRS. & MR. AMOLIK SELVARAJ  
 MRS. & MR. ANAND SUBRAMANIAM  
 MISS. ANGELINE SHARON  
 MRS. & MR. ABIEL ANAND AMALANATHAN  
 MRS. ALAMELU PREETI  
 MRS. BEENA VICTOR  
 MRS. & MR. BASKARAN CHANDRASEKAR  
 MRS. & MR. BENIELRAJ A. JACOB  
 MRS. & MR. BASKAR JOHNSON  
 MRS. & MR. BESTUS NAVAMANI  
 MR. & MRS. BLESSY ABRAHAM  
 MRS. & MR. BENNET ARUL CHELLIAH  
 MR. BINO JOSEPH  
 MR. & MRS. CHITRA MERCY ANDREWS  
 MR. & MRS. CYNTHIA FRANCIS  
 MRS. & MR. CHARLES NAVAMANI  
 MRS. & MR. CHARLES PREMKUMAR  
 MR. & MRS. CAROLINE JOHNSON  
 MRS. & MR. J. N. DANIEL  
 MRS. & MR. DAVID DAYA ARULDOSS  
 MRS. & MR. DHANASEELAN KIRUBAKARAN.  
 MRS. & MR. P. DEVADHASON  
 MRS. DELINA SWAMIKAN ABRAHAM  
 MRS. & MR. T. DELPHIN JAYASEELAN  
 MRS. & MR. DHANABAL THANGAVEL  
 MRS. ELIZABETH DANIEL  
 MRS. & MR. EMMANUEL PETERS  
 MRS. & MR. FRANCIS P  
 MRS. & MR. S. GUNASEELAN  
 MRS. & MR. GNANARAJ SHELTON JOSEPH  
 MR. GOKUL BASKARAN  
 MRS. HEPSIBAH CHRISTIAN  
 MRS. & MR. IWIN JEBADURAI  
 REV. JOHN STEPHEN (PASTOR)  
 MRS. & MR. JAYAKUMAR PAUL  
 MRS. & MR. JOHNSON GABRIEL  
 MRS. & MR. JOSHUA A. MATTHEW  
 MR. JAGANATHAN PILLAY  
 MRS. & MR. JESUDAS RUBAN  
 MRS. & MR. S. JOSEPH RAVINDRAN  
 MRS. & MR. JOHN H. MOSES  
 MRS. & MR. JEBARAJ D.G.  
 MRS. & MR. JOSEPH THILAK GEORGE  
 MRS. & MR. JAYAKUMAR VICTOR  
 MRS. & MR. JAYAKUMAR JAIRAJ PILLAI  
 MRS. & COL. JAIRAJ GANJIMAT BALA  
 MRS. & MR. W. JASON



MRS. & REV. V JOHNSON  
 MRS. & MR. S. JACKSON CHARLES  
 MRS. & MR. JEBASINGH DHANAPPAUL D.  
 MRS. & MR. KIRUBAKARAN  
 MRS. & MR. KEVIN SHELTON  
 MS. LISBAT JOSEPH ISRAEL  
 MRS. & MR. LAWRENCE NAVAMANI  
 MRS. LOUISA ARULDAS  
 MRS. & MR. A. B. MICHAEL  
 MRS. & MR. MANOHARDASS ELLIAS  
 MR. MINOJAN JOSHUA DANIEL  
 MRS. & MR. MCENROE EBENEZER  
 MRS. & MR. MARISON DAVIS SELVIN  
 MRS. & MR. E. NOBLE JASPAR  
 MRS. & MR. NARESH MUDLIAR  
 MRS. & MR. NEIL PATON  
 MRS. & MR. NITHANIYAL STALIN  
 MR. PHILIP WILSON JOHN FRANKLIN  
 MR. PREMKUMAR SAMUEL RAJ  
 MRS. & MR. PRADEEP MOHAN  
 MR. PAULWIN KIRUBAKARAN  
 MRS. & MR. PETER ARULDAS ANTHONY  
 MRS. & MR. PREESELY CHARLES  
 MRS. REETA ROBERT ARULDAS  
 MRS. & MR. P. A. RAJASHEKAR  
 MS. RACHEL P. ANTHONY  
 MR. ROSHAN DANIEL  
 MR. B. J. SAMUEL  
 MRS. & MR. SHELTON THANGIAH  
 MRS. & MR. SAM SURESH AZARIAH  
 MRS. STELMA EASTER  
 MRS. & MR. STEPHEN THOMAS DAVID  
 MRS. & MR. V. STEPHEN  
 MRS. & MR. Y. SWAMI PILLAI  
 MRS. & MR. Y. SILVISTER  
 MR. SAMUEL J  
 MR. & MRS. SHINEY LIONEL  
 MISS. SHEREEN MATHEW  
 MR. & MRS. SUKI SWAMY  
 MR. & MRS. STEFFI PRINCE  
 MR. STELIYAN THOMAS DAVID  
 MRS. & MR. STEVEN DAVID ARULDAS  
 MR. & MRS. SAGUNTHALA FRANKLIN  
 MRS. THARA PETERS  
 MRS. & MR. THOMAS DAS  
 MRS. & MR. TENNETY ISAIAH  
 MR. THIYAGARAJ PILLAI  
 MRS. & MR. TONY CHELLIAH  
 MRS. & MR. VEDAMANI YESUDASS  
 MR. VINAYAGAM MUNNUSAMY  
 MR. VILOJAN DANIEL  
 MRS. & MR. VICTOR JAYARAJ PILLAY  
 MRS. & MR. WILSON MOSES DANIEL

The missionary reports are of January '26, which are the latest reports received as of now.

# 1. FMPB



**Bro. Vijay Babu**

**Jawahar Mission Field**

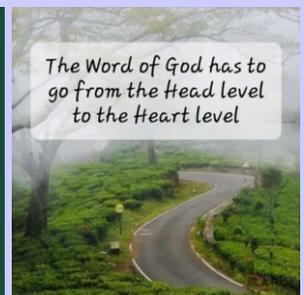
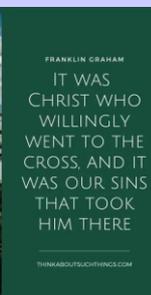
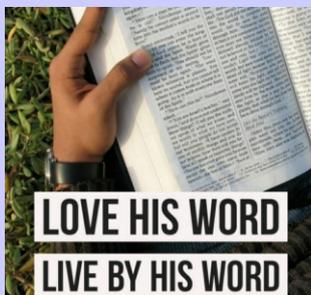


## PRAISE POINTS:

1. The gospel was proclaimed in 10 new villages and 480 new people were reached.
2. 7 people took baptism this month.
3. After prayer, God opened a door in Gadvi village and 2 new families are attending prayer.
4. Through prayer, God healed Nemaben who was having chest pain for 3 years; Chakeriben from eye problem; and Soniben of paralysis.
5. After we prayed, Susilaben's cow is able to sit and eat after 5 days.
6. God blessed Geethaben with a baby boy after 3 years.

## PRAYER POINTS:

1. Healing for Vanithaben of bleeding problem; Umeshbhai from cancer; 17-year-old Ganeshbhai who is having problem in both legs since last 4 years and is unable to walk; Bhakitiben who lost her eyesight recently; Naviben whose blood count is very low; Yogeshbhai who is unable to sit or walk for the last 10 days.
2. Gift of a child for Suresh & Manthaben who have been married for 5 years.
3. Pray for Sunithaben, a volleyball player, who is going to play in the district level tournament.
4. Wada and Vikramgad areas where God has opened a door for ministry.
5. Backslidden believers to repent and return to Christ.
6. Other organizations should not disturb our ministry.
7. Pray for the following programs: Elders' training; believers' camp; baptism program; FCC meeting; VCC meeting in 7 churches; women's meetings; chain prayer; team prayer in all congregations.
8. God would provide for the financial needs for 2 days' believers' mela in April 2026. Also pray for the arrangements.
9. Pray for our children Sam and Sharon for their studies and health.
10. Pray for our health and ministry.



## 2. VISHWAVANI



**Bro. Prakash B. Balke**  
Nanded Mission Field



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. God healed Piraji who was suffering from cold, cough and fever.
2. Praise God that Priyanka and Kamal accepted Jesus Christ. Thank God for healing Priyanka of her back pain and enabling Kamal's sugar levels to become normal.
3. God healed Vyankat of Asthma through prayer.
4. God freed Balaji from accumulated debts.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. Satish would be completely saved and accept Jesus as his Saviour.
2. Nirmal would be delivered from addiction to tobacco and experience freedom in Christ.
3. Good eyesight for Gangadhar.
4. Healing from leg pain for Chandrakant.
5. Provision of drinking water facilities in this village.

## 3. GEMS



**Pas. Raju Shirgure**  
Malvadi Mission Field



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. Glory to God that He has been gracious to us this past month.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. God would touch every heart and bring more fruit in the 12 areas of our ministry region.
2. God would destroy the power of darkness; and enable people to come out of idol worship and alcohol addiction.
3. We would be able to start new house groups.
4. God's guidance for every governmental authority and police dept to conduct a good service in the region. Proper and systematic establishment of our government.
5. God's help in buying equipment and enrolling students for the newly started ladies' tailoring classes.
6. Anointing and awakening of Christian churches in India.

## 4. MVM



**Rev. Sohan Jadhav**  
Kamshet Mission Field



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. A blessed New Year praise service.
2. A blessed seeker's retreat at Kamshet which was attended by 15 people.
3. Ministry is going on in 17 villages in Kamshet field.
4. Shraavan and Zingabai are trusting God and attending service regularly.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. The people of Ambegaon village (where evangelism was done and Bibles were distributed) would believe in Jesus Christ.
2. Recovery for Seema who met with an accident and got hurt in her hip; her husband to receive Jesus Christ.
3. Mangala who hasn't come for prayer for a long time to return.

## 5. IMS



**Bro. Ramachandra Kengar**  
Kolhapur Mission Field



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. We prayed for a good job for Harshad aged 28 from Kamkar. God answered our prayers and blessed him with a job as police.
2. Rhea aged 18 from Itchalkaranchi was struggling to pay her school fees. We prayed. God helped her get that amount through her uncle. Praise God!
3. Sathe aged 65 had an ear problem and lost his hearing. We prayed for him. A doctor gave him a hearing aid free of cost. Praise God for working in the heart of the doctor.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. Pray for Swati from Itchalkaranchi. Her husband was working in a govt job but he passed away. She has 2 daughters and 1 son. Pray that Swati will get her husband's job on compassionate grounds.
2. Pray for good life partners for Jaishree, Jeevan and Pappu.
3. Ranjeet from Yelkot village is an ayurvedic sales representative. Pray that he will get good sales and get a promotion in his job.

## 6. CGMM



**Bro. Pagadi Shyam**  
Akshapur Mission Field



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. Blessed Christmas and New year celebrations, by God's grace.
2. God healed Aravind of earache; and Anandabai of toothache after we prayed for them.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. God would deliver Kalpana's son from alcohol addiction and comfort her family which is very disturbed due to this.
2. God would deliver Jagdish from addiction to alcohol and drugs; and comfort his parents going through this crisis.
3. Gourubhai would get aid from government for building a house.
4. Healing for Kavitha's family from persisting cold and fever.
5. God's help for me (Pagadi Shyam) in doing good work in my field this year.

## 7. ICCC



**Mr. Prince Joseph &**  
**Mrs. Anita Prince**  
City Ministry, Mumbai



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. Thank God that the 25 women who attended the “Consider Jesus Training” are now stepping out boldly to share Christ in their daily lives.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. The upcoming GLP leadership seminars would provide a great opportunity to reach students and address their real-life needs. Pray for the seminar leaders, participants and all the arrangements for the sessions.
2. Pray for our son Josh who is appearing for his 12<sup>th</sup> board exams this year.

## 8. BYM



**Bro. E. Murugan**  
Vaduj Mission Field



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. 350 people from 10 villages attended the Christmas program where Mr. Samuel Jyothiraj shared God's word.
2. Sachin from Pugegaon got married to Priyanka from Sholapur.
3. 9 believers from Vaduj village visited Vasai field.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. God's comfort for the wife of Andrea (aged 73) who passed away recently.
2. Healing for Alex's father-in-law who had a brain hemorrhage.
3. Pray for God's guidance for our Maharashtra staff meeting (Jan 21-22) in goal setting and ministry planning.

## 9. IEM



**Rev. P. Samuel**  
Kolam Mission Field



### PRAISE POINTS:

1. God is opening doors in new villages.
2. We could witness Christ on New year day celebration in 2 villages; and through cleaning village panchayat yards and weekly market area of Matharjun on Republic day.
3. Thank God that Yashoda who fell down, broke her thigh joint bone and underwent surgery is able to walk now using a walker.

### PRAYER POINTS:

1. Wisdom for children of Mathurjun day care centre to study well and do well in their exams that there will be a difference between our children and other children in school as a witness.
2. The newly formed youth group will involve in church activities to take the ministry forward.
3. Alcohol addicted believers' children Akash, Dayanand, Surendra, Rajesh, Ramesh and Harshal would be delivered and know the Lord.

# 10. MTTB



**Bro. Manoj Tayde**  
Maharashtra Mission Field



## PRAISE POINTS:

1. Govind found a rented house.
2. Arpita is preparing to confess her faith publicly.
3. Kajal joined a computer training course and found a hostel nearby.
4. Nirmala got her disability certificate.
5. Moni is pregnant after 4 years of marriage after we prayed for her. Pray for her safe pregnancy and delivery.
6. Akash's health is improving after we prayed for him (as he was sick and losing weight).

## PRAYER POINTS:

1. Komal and her husband Shivaji who are blind should open their hearts to the Lord.
2. God would meet the needs of Lakhan who is blind since the age of 5.
3. Deepak would get employment
4. Spiritual growth for Sangita
5. God would provide suitable life partners for Maya, Galaran and Satchin
6. Wisdom for Rahul, Prakash and Balram in their studies.
7. Salvation of Vikas
8. Vanita who has backslidden to return to the Lord
9. Peace in the families of Sanjay, Mamta and Ujwala
10. Balu and Shoba would grow in faith
11. Ashok's daughter's marriage

# 11. NSM



# NSM

## TRIBAL HOMES



**Mast. Ranjith Soren**



**Mast. Hopna Murmu**



**Mast. Palton Baski N.**



# UNITY CUP-2026

INTER-CHURCH 6X6 FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2026

## GLORY TABERNACLE CHURCH

Glory Tabernacle Church conducts every year an Inter-church Football Tournament. Our church team took part in the tournament. The following players took part in the tournament:

- |             |           |
|-------------|-----------|
| 1. Kevin    | 7. Victor |
| 2. Kevin    | 8. Arun   |
| 3. Alan     | 9. Beniel |
| 4. Stanley  | 10. Kumar |
| 5. Bennet   | 11. Savio |
| 6. Abhishek | 12. Aaron |

Our team topped the group in the league and lost their match in pre-quarter finals. **Stanley** was the top scorer scoring 3 goals in the group and was felicitated by the organizers. **Abhishek** and **Alan** were also among the goal scorers with 1 goal each.

We congratulate them for their effort. All praise and glory be to God!





**UNITY**  
*Cup*



## Other Activities - இதர நிகழ்வுகள்



### SUNDAY SCHOOL

All Sundays during service.



### YOUTH FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Every Sunday after Holy Communion except first Sunday of the month.



### WOMEN'S & MEN'S FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS

Third Sunday after divine service.



### TAMIL CLASSES

Second and fourth Sundays after divine service.



### THANKSGIVING HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

First day of every month at 7:00 am.



### MISSION SUNDAY SERVICE

Fourth Sunday of the month (No Holy Communion). Please offer your Mission Sunday Special Offerings during service/online.



### BIBLE STUDY

Last Friday at 6:30 pm on our Church  Channel



### 30-MINUTES SPECIAL PRAYER

First Sunday of every month after the Service.



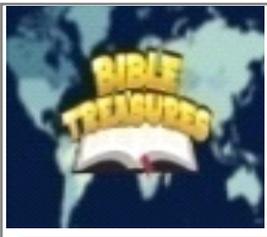
### 24-HOUR CHAIN PRAYER

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of every month, 12:00 am - 12:00 am.



### COTTAGE PRAYER

Church members can keep cottage prayer in their home any day of the month from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm.



## Bible Treasures: Body Parts: HEART - Part 24 (Ezekial 16-48)

வேதாகம புத்தையல்: உடல் உறுப்புகள்: இதயம்-பாகம் 24 (எசேக்கியேல் 16-48)

God created man in his own image; in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. Let us praise our Creator God !

1. உன் இருதயம் எவ்வளவாய்க் \_\_\_ என்று கர்த்தராகிய ஆண்டவர் சொல்லுகிறார்.  
How \_\_\_ is thine heart, saith the Lord God.
2. நீங்கள் துரோகம்பண்ணின உங்களுடைய எல்லாத் \_\_\_ உங்கள்மேல் இராதபடிக்கு விலக்கி, உங்களுக்குப் புது இருதயத்தையும் புது ஆவியையும் உண்டுபண்ணிக்கொள்ளுங்கள்.  
Cast away from you all your \_\_\_, whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new heart and a new spirit.
3. அவர்களுடைய இருதயம் அவர்களுடைய நரகலான \_\_\_ பின்பற்றினது.  
Their heart went after their \_\_\_.
4. இருதயங்களெல்லாம் \_\_\_, கைகளெல்லாம் தளர்ந்து, மனமெல்லாம் தியங்கி, முழுங்கால்களெல்லாம் தண்ணீரைப்போல அலைவுண்ணும்.  
Every heart shall \_\_\_, and all hands shall be feeble, and every spirit shall faint, and all knees shall be weak as water.
5. அவர்களுடைய இருதயம் கரைந்து, அவர்களுடைய இடையூறுகள் திரளாகும்படி, \_\_\_ கூர்மையை அவர்களுடைய எல்லா வாசல்களுக்கும் நேரிடக்கட்டளையிடுவேன்.  
I have set the point of the \_\_\_ against all their gates, that their heart may faint, and their ruins be multiplied.
6. நான் உன்னில் நியாயஞ்செய்யும் நாட்களில் உன் இருதயம் \_\_\_?  
Can thine heart \_\_\_, or can thine hands be strong, in the days that I shall deal with thee?
7. உன் இருதயத்தை \_\_\_ இருதயத்தைப்போல் ஆக்கினாலும், நீ மனுஷனேயல்லாமல் தேவனல்ல.  
Thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of \_\_\_.
8. உன் \_\_\_ உன் இருதயம் மேட்டிமையாயிற்று.  
Thine heart was lifted up because of thy \_\_\_.
9. அவர்கள் தங்கள் வாயினாலே இன்பமாய்ப் பேசுகிறார்கள், அவர்கள் இருதயமோ \_\_\_ பின்பற்றிப்போகிறது.  
With their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their \_\_\_.
10. கல்லான இருதயத்தை உங்கள் \_\_\_ எடுத்துப்போட்டு, சதையான இருதயத்தை உங்களுக்குக் கொடுப்பேன்.  
I will take away the stony heart out of your \_\_\_, and I will give you an heart of flesh.



March  
2026

உன்மேல் கர்ச்சர்  
உதீப்பார்  
அவருடைய மகிமை  
உன்மேல்  
காணப்படும்

- எசாயா 60:2

LORD will arise over you, And His glory will be seen upon you. - Isaiah 60:2

S	M	T	W	TH	F	SA
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Answer to Bible Riddles - வேதாகம விடுகதையின் பதில்கள்

உன்மேல் கர்ச்சர் - உன்மேல் கர்ச்சர் உன்மேல் கர்ச்சர் உன்மேல் கர்ச்சர்  
உன்மேல் கர்ச்சர் - உன்மேல் கர்ச்சர்

All of you are requested to pray for each other and remember every member of our Church in your Prayers!  
Please also pray for the Salvation and Protection of everyone in this world.



Editors of the Newsletter: Rev. John Stephen, Mr. Lawrence Navamani, Mrs. Shubha Paton & Mr. Stephen V.

To get a soft copy of this Newsletter, please log on to :

[www.stmatthewstamilchurch.com/church-newsletters/](http://www.stmatthewstamilchurch.com/church-newsletters/)

Mr. Stephen V.  
Hon. Secretary  
81492 02806

Mr. Benielraj Jacob  
Hon. Treasurer  
98977 82449

Rev. John Stephen  
Presbyter-in-charge  
94050 10294/97650 77054