

**Palm Sunday:** - On 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016 we shall celebrate the feast of Palm Sunday we will have a procession around the Church.

**Maundy Thursday:** - On 24<sup>th</sup> of March, 2016 we shall observe Maundy Thursday. This day we shall also be having the Confirmation Service followed by the feet washing Ceremony.

**Good Friday:** - Our Three hour Good Friday Devotional service will be on the 25<sup>th</sup> of March, 2016 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 PM.

**SPECIAL OFFERING:** - During the Easter worship service offertory will be collected in Lenten envelop at the Altar therefore we request you to take envelop which is kept at the last pew of our church.

**ORDINATION SERVICE:** - We are happy to inform you that our Deacon Subha Venkatram will be ordained as a Presbyter in the Ordination Service to be held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> April in our Church.

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE:** - Easter sunrise service will be held at Disciple Church of Christ Campus at 4:45 am. You all are requested to attend the service.

**EASTER FELLOWSHIP DINNER:** - Our Easter Fellowship Dinner will be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March, 2016 in the evening at our Church Compound from 6:30 PM onwards. Your Contribution will be Rs 100 per head (including guests) the Convener for this Easter Fellowship Dinner is Christ Church Women's Fellowship members.

**The Passion week Schedule**

DAY	EVENT	TIME
20-3-16	PALM SUNDAY	08:30 AM
24-3-16	MAUNDY THURSDAY	06:30 PM
25-3-16	GOOD FRIDAY	12:00 PM
27-3-16	EASTER	08:30 AM

**WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY AND BLESSED EASTER**

**CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL,  
(C.N.I), JABALPUR**



(Est.1844)

**Church Service: 8:30 am**

Hon. Presbyter in-charge  
Rev. Bruce Thangadurai

**Sunday school: 8:30 am**

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**CHURCH CALENDER FOR MARCH - 2016**

6 <sup>th</sup> MARCH	2016	WOMANS DAY
13 <sup>th</sup> MARCH	2016	SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE EASTER
20 <sup>th</sup> MARCH	2016	PALM SUNDAY
24 <sup>th</sup> MARCH	2016	MAUNDY THURSDAY
25 <sup>th</sup> MARCH	2016	GOOD FRIDAY
27 <sup>th</sup> MARCH	2016	EASTER SUNDAY

**Presbyter's Message**

When the dark day of Jesus' crucifixion drew to a close, it seemed that the most wonderful of all lives had come to an end. For a few brief years, Christ had astounded the crowds and his followers with the wisdom of His teaching and the wonder of His miracles.

But Jesus chose not to save Himself from the cross, he died for all of us. We all sing of the victory of the cross because after that dark day on Friday when our Lord was crucified, on the morning of the third day Jesus came out of that grave signifying His victory over death and our victory in Christ forever. He said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He that believes in me, though he be dead, yet shall he live." And the cross was transformed from a symbol of death and torture to the glory of the cross and Calvary comes through again and again and again because of the risen Christ.

There is no more important question for any of us, than the one that the Apostle Paul poses for us in 1 Corinthians, chapter 15. What if there were no Easter? Can we imagine that? Think about the difference of history. Think about the difference in our own personal history. If there were no Easter?

What if there is no resurrection? What if Easter is a myth? What if Christ is still in the grave? These are questions that the Apostle Paul himself offers in 1 Corinthians 15 and in offering these questions, he leads us to an honest examination of our faith and comes to a glorious conclusion.

Yes, the Apostle Paul affirms... the Scripture says it again and again and again... the Christian faith rests upon the reality of the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Everything we believe is bogus if Jesus Christ is not alive. If there were no Easter, then our message is meaningless. That's what the Apostle says. He says our preaching (verse 14) is empty, our faith is empty, we are false witnesses. If Jesus Christ is not alive... if Easter is a myth, then our preaching has no power, it certainly has no purpose, the Bible is a myth.

Read the book of Acts... read the New Testament and you will discover the constant theme of scripture is the reality of the resurrection. Jesus is alive and those apostles... disciples were transformed from cowards to courageous, bold witnesses of Jesus Christ. But Jesus came out of the grave to live in us... to empower us, and by His presence to enable us to proclaim His word.

On the resurrection let us affirm and declare that Jesus is alive! That the good news is a great message for us. That His death now makes sense! That the cross has a purpose! That He was not simply a martyr, but that He is, indeed, the Messiah! And our preaching is powerful because His Spirit lives! Christ is alive! We shout it! He is risen! He is risen, indeed!

WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY AND BLESSED RESURRECTION DAY

#### **BIRTHDAYS - MARCH**

1. Joan Page, Soniya Peter
3. Asha Williams, Archana Kale, Beulah Manikraj
4. Angela Kankane, Arjun Sathe
5. Maria Soledad Patrick
7. Andrew Lazarus
8. Ramesh Paul
9. Rev. Richard Rodgers, Ralson Divine, Antara Gaekawad
10. Kim Peters, Rosy Thangadurai, Sunny Parihar
11. Tushar Simon
15. Sanjay Peter
16. Daphne Rushton, Desmond Rushton, Zinsu Johnson

18. Romila Vinnie David
19. Honorine Josephine Melville, Reginald Christian Gabriel
20. Lisa Johnson, Aanya Rao, Rajesh Malik
21. Deserine Sharma, Edward William, Ashish Mark Daniel
22. Honey Parihar, Sushila Pillai
23. Marina Ali
24. George Sathe, Zoran Jaideep Sathe
25. Sanjana Samuel, Daisy Jones
28. James Clements
29. Ravi Gaekwad, Veronica Rushton
30. Stanley Jones

*Wish you all a very Happy Birthday with God's Blessings*

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

6. Maj. Caleb & Maj. Sheeja Thangadurai

*We wish the Couple a Happy Long Married Life with God's Choicest Blessings*

## **PARISH NEWS**

**LENT SERVICE:** - Every Wednesday we shall have our Lenten Service in the Church from 6:30 pm onwards.

**SUBSCRIPTION:** - Since our financial year is coming to an end, i.e. 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016, Parishioners are requested to please clear all outstanding dues, including cemetery dues, as early as possible.

**WFCS:** - Every Second Sunday of the month we shall have women's fellowship meeting we would request all the women fellowship members to attend this meeting.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** - We would request all the parents to send their children to Sunday school classes for their spiritual growth and development which starts along with Sunday church worship service.