

## PARISH NEWS

**WOMEN'S SUNDAY:** On 12<sup>th</sup> of March 2023 we observed the Women's Sunday in our Church. On this occasion the Women's of our Church led the entire Service. Mrs. Rosy Baroi, Professor of Leonard Theological College was the speaker for this day.

**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.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY:** On 6<sup>th</sup> of April, 2023 at 6:00 pm we shall observe Maundy Thursday.

**GOOD FRIDAY:** Our Three hour Good Friday Devotional service will be on the 7<sup>th</sup> of April, 2023 from 12:00 noon to 3:00 PM.

**EASTER SERVICE:** Easter Holy Communion Service (9<sup>th</sup> April, 2023) will commence at 8:30 am.

**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.

**EASTER MUSICAL NIGHT/ DINNER:** We shall be having a special Easter Musical Night cum Easter Fellowship Dinner on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Your contribution towards the Dinner will be Rs 150 per head for children & adult above the age of 5 years. Guest contribution will be Rs 200 per head. Our convenors for this year is Mr. David Masih & Mr. Naveen Cak. We would request you to give your contribution latest by 5<sup>th</sup> April so that we can make proper arrangement for the Dinner. After 5<sup>th</sup> of April we will not be allowing any one to participate in the programme.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Our joint VBS will commence from the 1<sup>st</sup> of May to the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2023. We request all of you to encourage your children to attend this VBS.

**ARPANA MINISTRIES:** The Arpana Ministries of Operation Mobilization of India, Jabalpur has organized a one day Seminar for ladies in Christ Church Cathedral on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2023 from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. The Registration Amount Rs. 100/- wherein Lunch and tea will be served.

**WISH YOU ALL A VERY BLESSED RESURRECTION DAY.**

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



(Est. 1844)

**Church Service- 8:30 am**

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### CHURCH CALENDER FOR APRIL - 2023

2 <sup>ND</sup>	APRIL	2023	PALM SUNDAY
6 <sup>TH</sup>	APRIL	2023	MAUNDY THURSDAY
7 <sup>TH</sup>	APRIL	2023	GOOD FRIDAY
9 <sup>TH</sup>	APRIL	2023	EASTER DAY
16 <sup>TH</sup>	APRIL	2023	SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
23 <sup>RD</sup>	APRIL	2023	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER
30 <sup>TH</sup>	APRIL	2023	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

### Presbyter's Message

The significance of the Resurrection of Jesus to Christian faith cannot be overestimated. When Jesus rose from the death hope was restored. In the Resurrection, the disciples were able to see new life. If Christ would have not risen from the death our faith and believe would have been shattered.

Jesus said, "I am the Resurrection and the life, he who believes in me shall live even if he dies and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die". Jesus says this to Mary and Martha when they first reported of the illness of Lazarus. This promise of the master was a source of great comfort even in His absence.

But for us, that promise was forever guaranteed when our Lord himself rose triumphant from the grave. Our hope of life beyond the grave is grounded on this promise, and this promise is certain because of His power over death and the grave.

Christ's Resurrection gives us the assurance that all things are done in the name of Jesus and for His purposes will be victorious.

Christ's Resurrection shows how God's purposes, processes and plans are always perfectly fulfilled.

Christ Resurrection helps us appropriate all of the truth of the scripture we gain a greater insight into God's attributes.

Christ Resurrection encourages us to remain consistently true, faithful and obedient to God's plan regardless of our circumstances.

And Christ's Resurrection teaches us not to try to take the controls away from our heavenly Father.

Christ's Resurrection carries us from death to life. Through Christ, we are new creations with new life. Therefore; the impact of the Resurrection of Jesus should not go unfelt in our lives. Our faith is strengthened by the work of God demonstrated in the Resurrection. As believers, we must never lose sight of the significance of the Resurrection.

We all live in the Kingdom of this world. We are all challenged to live a new life. But living a new life involves letting go of the old life.

So each one of us today are called not to lose hope: - because no matter how much we struggle,

no matter how hopeless the situation may be.. no matter how difficult the journey through the wilderness may be...

no matter how alone we may feel....

no matter how difficult our living circumstances are ....

no matter how weak our bodies have become....

Let us all remember that there is still hope. There is still new life. We may be tempted to give up. We may lose hope. We may cry out, "God if only you had been there.... We may even lose our faith in God; but God does not lose faith in us". The empty tomb means that salvation has been fully and freely made available to us if we wish to take it. Let us with full assurance commit our lives in His hands.

There is hope. There is new life and let us remember that Jesus Christ is the new Hope and new life for all of us.

**Christ is risen Hallelujah**

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**May the resurrected Christ bring Hope and Prosperity, Love and Joy into the world. May God bless all of you to be people of light and hope!**

## **BIRTHDAYS – APRIL**

2. Christopher Rushton

7. April Brown

8. Namrata Williams, Stella Leslie Arthur

10. Arnold Peters

11. Stephen Dhakrey

12. Vincent Joseph

17. Renuka Boro

18. Dr. Moni Thomas, Samuel Gregory

19. Elizabeth Rushton

20. Arpan Samuel Paul, Gaurav Samuel Bagh, Michelle William

21. Aubrey Ian Russell

23. Col. Vineet Daniel

25. Amrita Thangadurai, Anshul Moses Ranganadhan

28. Alan Ali, Robert Arnold Joseph

30. Sunil Peter

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

## **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

3. Ashish S. Chelvam & Mrs. Neetu Chelvam

12. Ramesh & Sunita Paul

23. Emmanuel & Pearl Park

25. Mr.Stephen & Mrs.Christina Dhakrey

29. Mr. Virender Lal & Mrs. Shayna Lal

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