



# St. Thomas Indian Orthodox Church, Inc.

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## Sunday Announcement 11/26/2017

**Last Sunday was our Thanksgiving and Family Sunday:** Last week the big offertory was more than \$16000 from 106 members. Those who did not get chance to bring the big offertory on last Sunday, please bring it to the Office. Big offertory will be accounted in the building Fund.

**Christmas caroling schedule** is posted in front of the office. Christmas Caroling will start on Next Saturday. Those who wish to join the Caroling team, please attend the song practice today and sign up in the signing sheet. OCYM members would have got a message in the OCYM WhatsApp Group about caroling participation. Please reply yes or no.

**Grow** is collecting new unwrapped toys to distribute to less fortunate children during Christmas season. A drop-off box is kept outside the Sanctuary.

The parish is planning to **adopt a less- fortunate family** for Christmas. Details will be announced on next Sunday.

Our **Christmas Program** will be on December 23<sup>rd</sup>.

We have to illuminate the church building. Need help from OCYM members. Please contact Office Manager Mr. Varghese P. Abraham

Today and next two Sundays, Mr. Jiju Mathew will take **Holyday family photographs**. Digital copies will be emailed. You have to pay \$25.00 to parking lot fund.

**Ecumenical Christmas Celebration** is on Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup>. Ecumenical Women's forum is doing the bake sale. They requested help from our MMS members

**Annual Report of 2016** is ready for distribution. Please get your copy from the auditorium.

**Obituary:** Sosamma Varghese, mother of Rev. Fr. Shebaly passed away.

Mr. K P Pothen brother -in-law of Vakkayil Joseph and Vakkayil Thomas passed away and the funeral was conducted yesterday.

Please pray for the departed souls and the bereaving families.

**Library News:** Today Rev. Sujit Thomas and miss. Meenu Mathew will talk about **the books influenced them most**. Time 12:15 at the Library.

## **Sunday school announcements**

1. The Parent- Teacher conference is today from 12.15 – 12.30 pm. All parents are requested to go to their children's class at that time and meet with the teacher.
2. There will no general session for the Sunday school today. All the students are requested to proceed to their respective class rooms immediately after the refreshments.
3. Sunday school staff who are interested to sing Christmas carol song for the Christmas social, please stop by the Sunday school office after the Sunday school today.
4. The Sunday School Christmas craft fair will be held on Saturday, December 16th at 3-5 pm. Children who like to participate are requested to sign up in the signing sheet kept in the Sunday school Office.
5. Sunday School is conduction Blood Drive on December 31st. Details will be announced next week

**First Temple Entry: Adam Mavely Paul:** Please welcome and pray for the youngest member of Church Family. Congratulations to Paul and Tinju and grandparents.

MMS MEETING: Today after refreshment

OCYM.

Focus:

Men's Forum meeting: Today

**Prayer meeting:** Prayer meeting is not scheduled for next Saturday

**Guests:** We have a very special Guest. Our State Representative **Mr. Jarred Solomon.** Mr. Solomen, we are honored by your presence and participation in the Holy Qurbana. Thank you.

Any other Guest? Please introduce yourself.

We welcome you to our midst.

Thank you all

John Panicker, Parish Secretary.