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2025 Motto

“Here am I. Send Me!” - Isaiah 6:8

"അടിയൻ ഇതാ, അടയാനെ അയക്കേണമേ" - യെശയ്യാ 6:8

June 15:

Sunday School Anniversary

Happy Father's Day!

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Editorial

The Heart of the Father.

In Luke 15 we see three parables focused on redeeming what was lost: first about a lost sheep, then a lost coin and finally the lost son. The overarching theme of this passage is restoration of the lost back to the fold, but the parable of the 'Prodigal Son' also demonstrates the unconditional love and forgiveness of God as a Heavenly Father.

A key difference that stands out in the last parable is that the son intentionally went away to pursue a life of his own choosing, therefore in that sense he was not accidentally lost, and the father was not actively looking for him. It could also be argued that the father should have known the son better and not given him his share of the wealth, or that the son's remorse was ingenuine and driven by his dire circumstances and want. We don't know all this, but two things are clearly stated; that the son chose to return home, and the father welcomed him wholeheartedly, without question and with celebration. In essence, both the father and the son took a conscious leap of faith to face each other and be reconciled.

From the parable we see that selfishness, rebellion and wanton living happened even in Biblical times as it does today. What is noteworthy though is that the father neither asked the son for an explanation, nor for any details of what had happened to him since he left home. The only thing that mattered to the father was that the son had found his way back home, and back to him. The father showed greater virtue and in that sense the challenge here is to us as parents. We too can choose to love and accept our children regardless of where they wandered or what they did or did not do. Let it be enough for us to know that God sees and knows what we don't about our children, and like the father in the parable may we have the heart of God to always welcome them back home!

Happy Fathers Day!

Reshma George
Editor

Achen's Message



Dear Beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

As we move into the mid-year season, we are reminded that every passing month brings with it new opportunities to deepen our faith and grow in community. June offers us a moment to pause and reflect—not just on the busyness of life, but on the quiet, steady presence of God in our everyday routines. Whether we are at work, resting, travelling, or tending to family responsibilities, God meets us in the ordinary, reminding us that every moment is sacred when lived with purpose and awareness. Let us continue to lift one another in prayer and remain open to God's gentle nudges, calling us to love more deeply, serve more faithfully, and hope more courageously.

This month also calls our attention to *Environment Sunday*, a time to give thanks for the richness of God's creation and to renew our commitment to ecological care. In Job 12:7-10, we are reminded that even the animals, birds, and plants teach us about the life-giving breath of God that sustains all things. As disciples of Christ, we are called to be caretakers, not exploiters of the natural world. Our small acts; reducing use of plastic, conserving water, supporting green practices, or planting trees, become spiritual disciplines that honor the Creator and reflect our gratitude. The earth is not only our home, but also our shared responsibility.

At the heart of this month, we celebrate *Pentecost*, the powerful moment when the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples, transforming their fear into courage and their confusion into mission. Pentecost is more than a historical event; it is an ongoing reality. The same Spirit that moved in the Upper Room moves among us today, breathing new life into our worship, community, and outreach. As we celebrate the birth of the Church, may we open our hearts to the Spirit's leading, trusting that God equips us with the gifts needed for the ministry ahead. May our church be a place of welcome, healing, and vibrant witness, shaped by the fire of God's love.

In His service,
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Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship

The Intercessory Prayer Cell Fellowship will take place every Thursday from 10:00am to 12:00 noon in the church sanctuary. Please join the fellowship through **Zoom** link.

Board Meeting

The monthly board meeting (in-person) will be held on June 8, 2025, at 1:30pm.

Spring Cleaning

Our yearly Spring cleaning will be held on June 14, 2025, from 9:30am onwards. Inviting all members to join. For further information please contact our Joint Secretary, Joby Mathew.

Sunday School Anniversary/Talent Day

Our Sunday School Anniversary / Talent Day will be held on June 15, 2025, at 1:30pm. For further information please connect with our Sunday School Director, Mrs. Ani Chacko.

Cottage Prayer

No area prayer has been scheduled.

If you wish to be included in the parish e-mail list to receive special notices, please send your e-mail ID to the Secretary at secretary@csichurchtoronto.org



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| June 1, 2025 Environment Sunday | Self Dedication to the Environment | | |
| | Old Testament | Job 12:7-10 | English Service |
| | Psalm | 104:14-28 | Read by |
| | Epistle | Revelations 22:1-5 | Merlin Mathew, Jefin Mathews |
| | Gospel | Matthew 6:25-34 | |
| June 8, 2025 Pentecost Sunday | Come Holy Spirit Set us Free | | |
| | Old Testament | Isaiah 61:1-11 | Malayalam Service |
| | Psalm | 107: 31-43 | Read by |
| | Epistle | Acts 2:1-13 | Zac Santhosh Koshy & Family |
| | Gospel | Luke 4:16-21 | |
| June 15, 2025 Trinity Sunday | Trinity: Community of Love | | |
| | Old Testament | Genesis 18:1-15 | English Service |
| | Psalm | 97 | Read by |
| | Epistle | II Corinthians 13:5-14 | Sunday School |
| | Gospel | Mark 1:1-11 | |
| June 22, 2025 2nd Sunday after Pentecost | Revelation of God in Worship | | |
| | Old Testament | I Kings 8:22-30 | Malayalam Service |
| | Psalm | 148 | Read by |
| | Epistle | Revelation 14:1-7 | Anil Raj Daniel & Family |
| | Gospel | Mark 3:1-6 | |

| | | Make Disciples | |
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| June 29, 2025 3rd Sunday after Pentecost | Old Testament | I Kings 19:11-21 | Malayalam Service Read by Youth Fellowship |
| | Psalm | 34:11-22 | |
| | Epistle | Romans 16:3-16 | |
| | Gospel | John 1:35-42 | |





BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 | Leonard Fredrick | 19 | Akshay Koshy |
| 1 | Jefin Mathews | 19 | Sheeba. R Thomas |
| 1 | Rohith Peter | 19 | Alex Oommen |
| 2 | Oommen Cherian | 19 | Jayden Chacko Jacob |
| 2 | Jordan Shinu | 19 | Serah Ann Littin |
| 6 | Pearl Shirin Samson | 19 | Arnold Prem |
| 6 | Kiara Susan Joseph | 20 | Gabriel Abraham Jijo |
| 7 | Aaron Thomas Ninan | 20 | Bejosh Mathew |
| 7 | Felisa Lee Mathews | 21 | Noah Jacob |
| 8 | Abraham G. Joy | 21 | Liji John |
| 8 | Joshua Oommen George | 21 | Tianna Lelia |
| 8 | Zuben Jacob Parakal | 21 | Sandeep Mathew Varghese |
| 10 | Elizabeth Pothen | 21 | Ayrah Ann Littin |
| 11 | Mary Joseph | 21 | Roshan Mathews |
| 11 | Norah Kurien | 24 | Daniel Philip Varughese |
| 12 | Elora Ann Tony | 25 | Anumol Cherian |
| 15 | Rejini Gajraj | 26 | Abey Joseph |
| 15 | Ajin Annie Varghese | 26 | Jeslin Mathew |
| 15 | Santhosh Mannil Eappen | 27 | Christopher Gajraj |
| 17 | Smitha Rency | 27 | Ida Elizabeth George |
| 18 | Mithun Philip | 28 | Shawn Cherian |



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- 28 Jayden V Sandeep
- 29 Mithul Nimmy Manuel

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Zachriah Philip & Elizabeth Philip
- 7 Joseph P. Mathews & Sonia Mathews
- 9 Jomy Philip & Aby Babu
- 10 Santhosh Zac Koshy & Suja Sara Koshy
- 12 Robin George & Preethy Saramma Abraham
- 12 Abey Joseph & Reshma Joseph
- 17 Santhosh Mannil Eappen & Teena John
- 21 Christopher Gajraj & Rejini Gajraj
- 28 Mathew George & Susan Mathew
- 29 Sam Paratt Kuruvilla & Jincy Jose
- 30 Betson Abraham Mathew & Anjali Ann Dominic
- 30 Rajiv Abraham & Sonia Joseph (Dr)

Malayala Lokam Anniversary





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