

**ALPHA CHILDREN'S PROGRAM:** On the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October 2023, our Sunday School children attended the Alpha Children's Program which was organized by the St. Paul's Church CNI, Ghamapur. Our children participated in different competitions and won the following prizes.

Andria Samuel - First in Drawing Competition  
Swara Jude Shinde - Second in Drawing Competition

**WORLD SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY:** On the 5<sup>th</sup> of November 2023 the Disciples Church of Christ CNI, organized the World Sunday School Sunday. Our Sunday School Children participated the various competitions and won the following prizes.

Andrea Samuel - First in Fancy Dress Competition  
Ajinkya Shinde - Second in Collage making Competition

**51<sup>ST</sup> DIOCESEAN WOMENS FELLOWSHIP CONVENTION:** We are happy to inform you that in the recently held 51<sup>st</sup> Diocesan Women's Fellowship Convention the Women's Fellowship of our Church participated in various Competitions and won the following Prizes:-

Second - Bible Quiz Competition (Mrs. Romila David & Mrs. Priyanka Thangadurai)  
Second - Banner Competition  
Second - Extempore Competition (Mrs. Sharon Arland)  
Third - Singing Competition  
Third - Skit Competition

The delegates for this year's Women's Fellowship convention were:-

Mrs. Nomita Bagh Mrs. Romila David  
Mrs. Mayuri Cak Mrs. Priyanka Thangadurai  
Mrs. Samantha Drose Rushton Mrs. Sharon Arland

We would like to congratulate our Women's Fellowship members and pray that God may use them for His Glory.

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY:** On the 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023 we will be observing Stewardship Sunday in our Church. Observance of Stewardship Sunday is specially to inculcate the habit of giving time, talents and our physical resources to God. The offertory which we will collect will be used for the upliftment of Pastors in our Diocese. We will be taking the offertory in a special Stewardship envelopes which is kept at the last pew of our Church. Our speaker for the Stewardship Sunday is Rev. Daniel Nath BSI Jabalpur Auxiliary Secretary.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY:** - We will be observing the Sunday School Sunday on the 19<sup>th</sup> of November, 2023. The children of the Sunday School will be leading the service.

**OUR DAILY BREAD:** We will be ordering Our Daily Bread for 2024. If anyone wants to buy Our Daily Bread, please place your order to Rev. Subha.

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



(Est. 1844)

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### CHURCH CALENDER FOR NOVEMBER - 2023

1 <sup>ST</sup>	NOVEMBER	2023	ALL SAINTS DAY
2 <sup>ND</sup>	NOVEMBER	2023	ALL SOULS' DAY
5 <sup>TH</sup>	NOVEMBER	2023	TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
12 <sup>TH</sup>	NOVEMBER	2023	STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY
19 <sup>TH</sup>	NOVEMBER	2023	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY
26 <sup>TH</sup>	NOVEMBER	2023	LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
29 <sup>TH</sup>	NOVEMBER	2023	CHURCH OF NORTH INDIA (C.N.I) DAY

### Presbyter's Message

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Jesus says "Come to me all that are weary and carrying heavy burden and I will give you rest".

Rest is very important for all of us. It refreshes our body we feel energetic and we are efficient in our work. During the Covid time some people were getting lots of these days. Staying at home, "cocooning," perhaps, as the saying goes, they able to sleep in, take naps during the day, sit and watch Netflix as much as they want, do a little gardening, maybe sit in the back garden in the beautiful weather. Taking lots of rest from the busy schedule.

Other people were getting precious little rest. Health care workers, Doctors, nurses police personal, delivery drivers, teachers learning to teach online, priests and undertakers conducting funerals in ways we never could have imagined, parents were juggling various tasks, such

as working from home, perhaps, home-schooling the children, cooking and maintaining the house - you name it. Some people probably long for some rest but they are not able to get it.

But the strange thing is, turning to Jesus in all things actually makes life so much easier. A yoke is something that binds two things together so that they work together. The two things become as one. When we put on the yoke that Jesus offers, we bind ourselves to him and he helps us through the difficulties of life. Instead of the heavy burdens of work, and fear, and uncertainty weighing us down, all on our own, we are yoked to Jesus, and the burden becomes light, because he carries it.

Does life become easy? Not exactly. There is nothing easy about this time that we are living in. There is never anything easy about life. But it is as though life becomes lighter, with less weight on our shoulders, less weight on our souls and spirits. "You will find rest for your souls," Jesus says. And the funny thing is, when we have rest for our souls, even our bodies can weather so much more. When we have rest for our souls, we are sustained through all sorts of troubles.

In Jesus Christ the kingdom of God has come. He is calling us who are overburdened with sin and sorrow, burdened with struggles of this life and who are anxious about life. He is calling us to himself so that he may relieve us of our anxiety and refresh and strengthen us for our responsibilities in this world. Will we respond to this call? But the big question is will we respond to his call.

"Come to me," Jesus says, "... and I will give you rest."

#### **BIRTHDAYS – NOVEMBER**

1. Tajinder Thomas, Malcolm Ramsay Melville, S. Uddhar S. Samuel
2. Deborah Simran Patrick, Ebenezer, Terence Fedrick Jones
3. Naveen Cak, Jacob Raphael Thangaduari, Leah Edbrooke
4. Deepika Thangadurai,
5. Swara Jude Shinde
7. Adrin Divine, Pankaj daniel Sharma Cynthia Jean Daniel
8. Ann Kankane , Preeti Russell, David Paul, Isaac Ezra Samuel
10. Vandana Lal
14. Jane Mee Hwa Chen
15. Shayana Lal

16. Sameer Tiwari
  19. Asher William Lazarus, Anand Samuel
  20. Shiley Maryann Kane
  21. Ladlie Matthew
  23. Bernice Langan
  24. Dwayne Jayden Langan
  25. Selvi Ruth Tiwari, Anndria Samuel
  26. Dr. Pradeep Joel, Hina Lazarus
  27. Naomi Li Chen Liao, Ruby Jones
  28. Jairus Thangadurai, Gladys Samuel
  29. Cyrus John Thangadurai, Celina Ruth Thangadurai, Leslie Clemants, Samantha D’Rose Rushton
  30. Meera Munzey
- Wish you all a very Happy Birthday with God's Blessings.*

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

1. Dr. Leny & Dr. Mrs Ekta Matthew
  3. Ralson & Elizabeth Sughashini Divine
  4. Anand & Joyce Samuel
  6. Meshach & Preeti Thangaduari, Ashley & Gloria Samuel
  7. Ladlie & Sadhna Matthew, Abhay & Luvy Sathe, Veeresh & Harshala Rathod, Mr. & Mrs. Priyanka Lyall
  9. Sanket & Sarita Charles
  12. Tony & Erica Taylor
  14. Ridley Ashley & Meera Munzey
  26. Dr. Winsun & Mee Hwa Chen
  30. Glenn & Phyllis Langan
- We wish the Couple Happy Long Married Life with God's Choicest Blessings*

## **PARISH NEWS**

**NINE LESSON CAROL SERVICE:** Our Nine Lesson Carol Service will be held on 17<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 at Christ Church Cathedral from 5:30 pm onwards.

**CHRISTMAS CAROL ROUNDS:** We shall begin our Christmas Carol Rounds from 15<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> December 2023 from 6:00 pm onwards from the Church Campus.

**FOUR PARTS CHOIR PRACTICE:** We are going to begin our Four Parts Singing practice for the Christmas programmes. All those who wish to join can kindly give us the names.