

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** - As part of our celebration of 175<sup>th</sup> Years of glorious existence. Our Sunday School Children celebrated the Sunday school Sunday on 18<sup>th</sup> of November 2018. We had a small programme for our Sunday school children in which we distributed gifts to all of them.

**FOUNDER'S DAY:** - On 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2020 both the Christ Church Schools celebrated their Sesquicentennial Year 150 Years Founder's day in our Church. The Speaker was Rev. S. Dennis Lall, the General Secretary, of Church of North India.

**CNI DAY:** - On 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2020 we celebrated Golden Jubilee Year 50 Years CNI Day in our Church. All the Pastors of our Diocese and all the head of the institutions and staff members were present on this occasion. The Speaker was The Most Rev. Dr. P. C. Singh the Moderator of CNI, Bishop of Jabalpur Diocese.

**DIOCESE DAY:** On 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2020 THE DIOCESE OF JABALPUR will be celebrating its (Golden Jubilee Year) 50 years of glorious existence. Kindly remember our Diocese of Jabalpur in your prayers.

**MIDNIGHT MASS:** - Midnight Service will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> December (Thursday) 2020 from 10:30 pm onwards.

**CHRISTMAS SERVICE:** - Christmas Service will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> December (Monday) 2020 at 8:30 am. Our Bishop The Most Rev. Dr. P.C. Singh will be the Speaker.

**MIDNIGHT SERVICE:** - On 31<sup>st</sup> of December (Thursday) 2020 at 11:00 pm we shall have our Midnight service.

**NEW YEAR COVENANT SERVICE:** - New Year Covenant Service will be held on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021 at 8:30 am onwards.

**PASTORATE COMMITTEE WISHES YOU ALL**



**Merry Christmas  
& Prosperous New Year**

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



(Est.1844)



**CHURCH SERVICE: 8:30 AM**

Hon. Presbyter in-charge  
Rev. Bruce Thangadurai  
Mob. No: 9893169749

**CHURCH ADDRESS**

926, North Civil Lines,  
Jabalpur-482001 (M.P.)  
Telephone: 0761-4054194  
[www.christchurchcnijbp.org](http://www.christchurchcnijbp.org)

### CHURCH CALENDER FOR DECEMBER- 2020

|                  |          |      |                                      |
|------------------|----------|------|--------------------------------------|
| 6 <sup>TH</sup>  | DECEMBER | 2020 | 4 SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS (ADVENT 1) |
| 13 <sup>TH</sup> | DECEMBER | 2020 | 3 SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS (ADVENT 2) |
| 16 <sup>TH</sup> | DECEMBER | 2020 | 2 SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS (ADVENT 3) |
| 20 <sup>TH</sup> | DECEMBER | 2020 | SUNDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS (ADVENT 4)   |
| 25 <sup>TH</sup> | DECEMBER | 2020 | CHRISTMAS HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE     |
| 27 <sup>TH</sup> | DECEMBER | 2020 | SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS               |

### **Christmas Message from the Presbyter**

In December we begin with the season of Advent, a time of joyful anticipation of the coming of Christ in history over two thousand years ago, and at the end of time at the second coming which only God will determine. This month we will enter into the season of Christmas when we with grateful hearts remember that Jesus was born in Bethlehem.

Advent encourages us to slow down despite the pressures of the secular culture so that we gratefully pray in anticipation of the uplifting Christmas celebration this year. Gift giving is a wonderful part of the season when offered for the right reasons. Gifts thoughtfully given as a way to acknowledge our love or appreciation for those who touch our lives are beautiful gestures. They can be much like the gifts of the Magi of gold, frankincense and myrrh, signifying God the Father's gift of his Son out of love and for a holy purpose, our salvation.

Advent is about preparing for the birth of Jesus, but it is also about actively waiting on the Lord. While we wait we also have to rush and get a lot of things done. In this season of Advent I pray that you and I will take time to experience the wait, the longing for God that this season calls forth.

Christmas is a time of Joy- all our thoughts are focused on the beautiful gift of child Jesus whom God has given us. To those who live in darkness a great light has appeared in Bethlehem and to those who abide in the valley of death a new hope for eternal life has dawned from the manger in Bethlehem.

On Christmas Eve, a child was born, a son was given. True, but the question is: Is he born unto me? Christ was born in Bethlehem, yet he was not born unto King Herod; Christ was born in Bethlehem yet he was not born unto the Chief priests and the scribes who resided in Herod's palace. Christ may be born a hundred times in Bethlehem but what does it profit if he is not born unto you and unto me. The birth of Christ is beautiful and beneficial only to those who accept Him and recognize Him at His coming, like the three Kings and the shepherds. Christ is the Saviour not to all those who celebrate Christmas. Christ is the Saviour not to all those who bear his name – Christians. Christ becomes the Saviour only to those who accept Him, believe Him and surrender their lives to Him.

My prayerful wishes for a reflective Advent, a joyful Christmas season, and a new year filled with hope because He, Love, did come down at Christmas and remains with us today.

### BIRTHDAYS – DECEMBER

1. Vinay Samuel Lal
3. Mrs. Manoranjini Lal
4. Wg.Cdr. Morgan Joel, Poonam Daniel
6. Caroline Jean Peter
7. Robinson Shekhar, Andrea Edbrooke, Mrs. T. Daniel, Edith Zincke
8. Caroline Judith Joseph, Namrata A. Williams, Victor Samuel
10. Anita Edbrooke
11. Ernest Rushton, Rachel Jacob Taniya Raymer
12. The Most Rev. Dr. Prem Chand Singh, Joshua Thangadurai, Shanita Thangadurai
13. Suzannah Daniel
14. Glenn Langan, Leslie James Hogg, Harshita Thangadurai
15. Dhananjay Sahu
17. Malti Chelvam, Ronald Rushton, Candida Rushton
19. Cynthia Emelda Kane, Johnson Varghese
20. Jean Hookens
21. Eileen Ali, Aditya Rathore, Aadya Dwivedi

22. Kantarani Peters, Emmanuel Park, Sudha Samuel, Derick Jason Langan
23. Ryan Raymer, Margreat William
24. Samantha Ali, Abraham Thangaduari,
25. Beatrice Peter,
26. Rev. Dr. Joel Patrick, Mrs. Kajal Rao
28. Sudhir Shinde

*Wish you all Happy Birthday with Gods Blessings*

### ANNIVERSARIES

7. Mr. Pankaj Daniel & Mrs. Desrine Sharma
10. Michael & Beatrice Peter, Preeti & Ralph Stanely Russell
19. Ernest & Cecilia Russell
20. Rev. Richard & Sunita Rodgers
21. Mr. Rahul & Mrs. Neha Rodgers
26. Alfred Clement Praveen Kumar & Sonia Patrick
27. Samuel & Malti Chelvan, Clarence & Romola Simon, Philip & Sophie Palmer, Nitin & Nomita Bagh, Ashish & Renuka Cak, Mr. Kevin Clifton Gee & Mrs. Aruna Ann Gee, Alvin & Ronika Lazarus
28. Lt. Col. Stanley & Joan page, Norman & Roseleen Kane, Ruth & Sameer Tiwari, Lionel & Nidhi Clement
29. Joseph & Olive Lazarus, Catherine & Yowan Thangadurai, Mr. Emmanuel & Mrs. Sonia Thangadurai, Andrew & Hina Lazarus, Desmond & Samantha D' Rose Rushton
30. Col. Vineet & Poonam Daniel, Mr. Manoj & Archana Chauragade

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

## PARISH NEWS

**CHRISTMAS TREE / DINNER:** - Christmas Tree / Dinner will be held at Mary George Hall on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2020 from 5:00 pm onwards. Your Contribution for the Dinner Rs.100/-per-head Adults, Rs/- 50 for children below 12 years for guests Rs/- 200. Parishioners are requested to pay the amount before 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2020.

**NINE LESSON CAROL SERVICE:** - Our Nine Lesson Carol Service will be held on 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2020 at Christ Church Cathedral from 6:00 pm onwards. After Our Nine Lesson Carol Service we will have some eatable stalls on sale, (Biryani, Chinese, Chicken Fry, Fish Fry, Puri Sabji and South Indian etc). You can also place the order in advance. whatever the proceeds we will get it will be put as Church Thanksgiving offertory.

**OBITUARY:** Mrs. Joyce Daniel wife of Dr. E. C. Daniel and the mother of Col Vineet Daniel fell asleep in Christ on 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020. May her soul rest in peace.