

PRAYER MEETING

Special prayer meeting on August 11 Sunday at 7:00PM at the residence of Ajay Pappan, 9 Victoria Dr., Airmont, NY10901

Special prayer meeting on August 17 Saturday at 7:00PM at the residence of Samuel Mathew, 64 Dustman LaneBardonia,NY10954

Sevika sanghom prayer meeting on Friday August 16th at 6:30PM at the residence of Mariamma David, 133 Creekside Circle, Spring Valley, NY10977



Upcoming Events

Church Family Retreat:

Date: August 2nd Friday to 4th Sunday.

Place: Sandy Cove Ministries, Maryland.

Date	Events
August 2nd to 4th	Church Family Retreat at Sandy Cove Ministries, Maryland.
August 11th Sunday	College going student's dedication during Holy communion service.
September 1st Sunday	School going student's dedication during Holy communion service.
October 11th, 12th & 13th	Church convention.
November 28th Thursday	Thanks Giving Service at 9:30AM.
December 1st Sunday	Parish day.
December 7th, 8th 13th, 14th & 15th	House caroling
December 22nd Sunday	Church Christmas carol service in the evening.
December 25th Wednesday	Christmas day service – Holy communion in English at 8:00 AM.
December 31st Tuesday	Watch night service – Holy communion service in Malayalam at 9:30PM.

Sunday School closed for the month August.

Fasting prayer at Parsonage every Friday at 10:30AM.

August 11th Sunday College going student's dedication during Holy communion service.

Church Convention: October 11 thru 13

October 11 Friday and October 12 Saturday at 7:00PM.

October 13 Sunday immediately after service.

Speaker: Evangelist M.G. Mathew (Navajeevodayam, Tiruvalla) , MarThoma Church convention speaker

House Keeping



Please note that it is the responsibility of each member of the Church to keep the Church sanctuary and its premises neat and clean.

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Vicar's message...

Greetings to all in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus (Phli: 2: 5)". As he wrote Paul was a Christ- minded man. In his fervent love for God, and constant attitude of prayer and communion, he was Christ- minded. Like Christ, in his diligent endeavor to always do and say on that which was for the glory of God. In his poise and calmness in the midst of storm and stress, he revealed the true inner peace of Christ. In his righteous indignation which constrained him to take definite action, he was one with his Lord. His "spirit was stirred within him when he saw a city wholly given to idolatry" as Christ was when he saw the temple of God given over to commercialism. In his love for his co-workers and his deep affection and concern for them, he is typical of his Lord. From the depths of a heart of love he wrote "My brethren dearly beloved and longed for; my joy and my crown". In his willingness for self sacrifice, we see his conformity to the image of Christ. In all truth and modesty he could say "what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ". His position, learning and wealth were humbly laid at the foot of the cross. Thus Paul in his words and deeds, was a Christ- minded person.

Paul challenges us to have Christ- mindedness in our lives, which we need more than anything else in this modern age. If , in various situations which face us day by day, we who name Christ as our Lord could react in a Christ like way, it would bring great glory to the name of our Lord . Each believer who strive for Christ mindedness would be a great witness to the people around us. Therefore, let us be the presence of our Lord wherever we are through Christ like attitudes, words and deeds.

Leading a serious prayer life is the need of the hour. Prayer is about relationship and it requires constant communication with God. We are in a sophisticated situation with WiFi technology were the need today is just a touch away. But do we have a constant contact with our master God. We need to have bending knees. As someone said the shortest distance between a problem and its solution is the distance between your knees and the floor. The one who kneels before God can stand firm in his life. I request all the parish members to practice a dedicated prayer life to make our life meaningful and stable in today's world.

Let us uphold and practice the following famous lines :

Happy moments, praise God.

Difficult moments, seek God

Quiet moments, worship God.

Painful moments, trust God

Lovely moments, love God.

Graceful moments, be grateful to God.

Cheer moments, rejoice in the Lord.

Every moment, be with God.

May God bless us all

Yours in Christ service

Rev. Santhosh Joseph...



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WORSHIP SERVICES: AUGUST 2019		
Date	Time	Service
Aug 04	9:30 AM	Divine Service (Malayalam)
Aug 11	9:30 AM	Holy Communion Service (English)
Aug 18	9:30 AM	Holy Communion Service (Malayalam)
Aug 25	9:30 AM	Holy Communion Service (English)

LECTIONARY & THEME: AUGUST 2019				
Date	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
Aug 04	Mission from Everyone to Everywhere → Mission Sunday			
	1Kgs 17:1-15	Jude 1:17-25	Gal 2:1-10	Matt 22:1-14
Aug 11	Holy Baptism: Born from Above			
	Gen 8:1-14	Col 3:1-11	1Pet 3:16-22	John 3:1-8
Aug 18	Reformation Day → Authority of the Word of God			
	Exo 7:1-7	2 Tim 3:10-17	Gal 1:1-6	Matt 5:17-20
Aug 25	Holy Qurbana: Celebration of Salvation			
	Exod 12:1-14	1Cor 11:23-33	1Cor 10:15-17	Luke 22:7-20

Happy Birthday

BIRTHDAYS-AUGUST 2019		Aug 18	Thomas Zachariah	Nanuet	
Aug 08	Benjamin A Chacko	Suffern	Aug 20	Samuel Jacob	New City
Aug 08	Alli Rachel Cherian	New Windsor	Aug 21	Mariamamma Joshua	Spring Valley
Aug 08	Rosamma Xavior	New City	Aug 23	Andrea Rivas Torres	Tappan
Aug 10	Philip N Philip	Westwood, NJ	Aug 25	Brayden J. David	New City
Aug 14	Benson David	New City	Aug 26	Binu Mathew	New City
Aug 16	Annika Ann Easaw	Cortlandt Manor	Aug 30	Jesson C. George	Congers
Aug 18	Daniel Thomas	Avenel, NJ	Aug 31	Nithin Jiji John	Nanuet

May God bestow his goodness and blessings as you celebrate another year of marriage. Happy Wedding Anniversary...



WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES AUGUST 2019		
Date	Name	Town
Aug 1	Mrs. & Mr. Jiji John	Nanuet
Aug 3	Mrs. & Mr. Alex Mathew	West Nyack
Aug 7	Mrs. & Mr. George Thomas Karakal	Nanuet
Aug 7	Mrs. & Mr. Thomas Ninan	New City
Aug 12	Mrs. & Mr. Ben Jacob Varghese	Pleasant Valley
Aug 15	Mrs. & Mr. Shaimi Jacob	New City
Aug 16	Mrs. & Mr. Kuruvilla Cherian	Orangeburg
Aug 20	Mrs. & Mr. Benoj Joseph David	New City
Aug 21	Mrs. & Mr. Easaw T. George	Cortlandt Manor
Aug 24	Mrs. & Mr. Thampy Varghese	Rock Tavern
Aug 30	Mrs. & Mr. Babu Varghese	Nanuet
Aug 31	Mrs. & Mr. Daniel Thomas	Avenel, NJ