

Vicar' in charge message – December 2021

Dearly Beloved

Greetings in the name of our Incarnated Lord Jesus Christ. We have reached the end of 2021. This year has been a time of long struggles for the world. New paths of survival were paved in the face of an epidemic. New norms and normal were formed. The truth is that it is our attitudes that create us, even when new situations arise.

“I am not a product of my circumstance. I am a product of my decisions” Stephen Covey

Advent is a very important time for the Christian faith. It is the joy of the incarnation of God. For the Eastern churches December 1 is the beginning of 25 days lent. This is the season of waiting for the birth of Christ. During this time the Church prepares herself through cleansing and renewal for the advent of her Lord.

“The Lord did not come to make a display. He came to heal and teach suffering men” Athanasius of Alexandria.

First Sunday of December church meditating the nativity of John the Baptist. Circumstances of his birth, as recorded in the New Testament are miraculous. His birth was a special event in the preparation for the coming of Jesus and a pivotal figure in the salvation history of God. Second Sunday theme is the Annunciation to Joseph. The power of God moves Joseph to leave his own security to travel God's plan. Joseph is a model of genuine humanly virtues. He was a righteous man- obliged by Law, filled by Mercy & guided by Revelation.

Third Sunday is the Sunday before the Christmas. First chapter of Gospel of John teaches about How is Divine related to human? How does the omnipotent deal with the vulnerable? What is the relationship of the Creator with the created? How does the infinite interact with the finite? John introduced Jesus the savior as “the Word” (1:1) “the Creator of this World”(1:3) “the Life”(1:4) and “the Light”(1:7). Fourth Sunday meditating the Glorious coming of our Lord. Jesus' purpose in talking about his return is not to reveal a particular date but to warn us to be prepared. As a community of hope, we should be watching for the Lord and preparing for the Lord.

God Bless You

Yours in Christ

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Date	Time	Worship services
Dec 05	10:30 AM	Divine worship service (Malayalam)
Dec 12	9:30 AM	Holy Communion service (Malayalam – Parish day)
Dec 19	10:30 AM	Divine worship service (English)
Dec 25	08:00 AM	Holy Communion service (English-Christmas day)
Dec 26	10:30 AM	Divine worship service (Malayalam)

Upcoming Events.

Date	Day	Events
December 12 th	Sunday	Parish day
December 24 th	Friday	Christmas carol service

Lectionary December 2021

Date	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
Dec 05	Birth of John the Baptist – Bible Sunday “Word of God: Lamp to the Feet, Light to the Path”.			
	Mal 3:1-6	Heb 4:12-16	Gal 1:11-17	Luke 1:57-66
Dec 12	Annunciation to Joseph.			
	Isa 7:10-17	Acts 3:19-26	Rom 4:13-22	Matt 1:18-23
Dec 19	Sunday before Christmas – Our Lord is Coming.			
	Isa 11:1-10	Rev 19:1-10	Heb 1:1-12	John 1:1-14
Dec 25	Feast of Nativity (Yaldo) Birth of the Saviour- End of 25 Days Lent.			
	Mic 5:1-9	Col 1:15-23	1Tim 1:14-17	Luke 2:1-20
Dec 26	The Glorious Coming of our Lord			
	Jer 3:6-22	Acts 6:1-11	1Thess 4:13-18	Matt 24:42-51

Wedding Anniversary – December 2021



Date	Name	Town
Dec 01	Aleykutty & Eappen M.S.	Palisades, NY
Dec 08	Bindu & Linu Abraham	Nanuet, NY
Dec 26	Rebeca & Toms Zachariah	Spring valley, NY
Dec 27	Siji & Shaju Pappan	Spring valley, NY
Dec 31	Alice & Rajan Mathew	Nanuet, NY



Birthday –December 2021

Dates	Name	Town
Dec 01	Steven Tom	Congers, NY
Dec 06	Tinu Varghese	Rock Tavern, NY
Dec 16	Bindu Abraham	Nanuet, NY
Dec 17	Joel George Thomas	Spring Valley, NY
Dec 17	Jessie Cherian	Orangeburg, NY
Dec 18	Alex Mathew	West Nyack, NY
Dec 18	John Navaratnam	Orangeburg, NY
Dec 20	Zachariah Abraham	Spring Valley, NY
Dec 21	Stacy Sara Jacob	Nanuet, NY
Dec 23	Diya Varghese	Congers, NY
Dec 27	Vincent Abraham	Bergenfield, NJ
Dec 30	Jisha Jacob	Tappan, NY

Chain prayer on every Wednesday's and fasting prayer on every Friday's Via Zoom.

Christmas Carol service on December 24th Friday at 6:30 PM



New Year service on December 31st Friday at 10:30PM.

