

November	BIRTHDAY	
1	Sosamma Easo	Orangeburg
3	Jessy Cherian	Wesly Hills
3	Thomas C Ninan	New City
4	Easaw T. George	Cortland Manor
5	Melissa Susan Mathew	Congers
6	Valsamma Alexander	Newburgh
7	Sony Mathews	Spring Valley
7	Thomas Varghese	Nanuet
9	Shiny Thomas	West Nyack
9	Sony Thomas	West Nyack
10	Dr. Sarah Varkey	Monroe
11	Sindhu Varghese	Garnerville
13	Ashley Ann Alexander	Nanuet
13	Elizabeth Varghese	Poughkeepsie
14	Chris Jacob Abraham	Newburgh
14	Justin Mathews	Suffern
15	Mariamamma Jacob	Nanuet
15	Rachel Jacob	Tappan
15	Rosamma Chacko	New City
17	Aaron Varghese Alexander	Nanuet
17	Rebecca Varghese	Congers
17	Sarah Varghese	Congers
20	Joanna Marisa George	Orangeburg
22	Babu Varughese	Nanuet
23	Chellamma Chacko	Spring Valley
24	Sneha Mary Monzy	Monsey
24	Shain Jacob	Congers
24	K . M. Thomas	Bardonia

November	WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES	
2	Thomas & Annie Varghese	Nanuet
20	Zachariah N. Abraham & Aleyamma Zachariah	Spring Valley
25	Moncy Kurian & Sherly Moncy	Congers
27	Joseph K. & Annamma Daniel	Wappinger Falls

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*Dearly beloved in Christ,*

*Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!*

Gary Inrig in his book *FORGIVENESS* describes the experience of a young missionary whose wife Bonnie Wither all had been killed by a terrorist attack in Lebanon. When Bonne's husband Gary heard the news, he immediately rushed to the clinic. He tried to see his wife, but police didn't allow. Two soldiers tackled him and pushed him to the floor. They confined him to a room next door for several hours while his bride's body remained on the floor of the clinic. Two days later he sent an emotional e-mail to family and friends around the world. "While lying on the floor in grief near Bonnie I felt God's presence and a deep desire to just forgive whoever did that. It is a forgiveness that seems to cost everything that I am but I recognize God's forgiveness of the sin in my life."

C. S. Lewis once wrote, "Everyone says forgiveness is a lovely word, until they have something to forgive." According to Inrig, "An unforgiving spirit inspires war, destroys marriages, divides families, ruins friendships, splits churches, and poisons communities."

Jesus taught that His people were not only forgiven, they were also to be forgiving. Jesus says the parable of unforgiving servant in Matthew 18: 21 – 35 as an answer to Peter's question, "Lord, how many times shall forgive my brother when he sin against me? Up to seven times?" Jesus answered, "I tell you not seven times, but seventy times seven." In this parable, the servant's master took pity on him, and cancelled the debt. But that servant was not ready to forgive his fellow servant and so the first servant was punished by the King. Jesus concludes the parable, saying, "This is how my heavenly Father will treat you unless you forgive your brother from your heart."

Can we forgive our brothers and sisters?

Next month we are celebrating 22<sup>nd</sup> parish day. I urge everyone to forgive each other and reconcile.

May the Grace of our Lord be with you all and bless us!

*In His Ministry*

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### WORSHIP SERVICES

Date	Time	Service
Nov 04	10.15 am	Holy Communion (English)
Nov 11	10.15 am	Holy Communion (Malayalam)
Nov 18	10.15 am	Holy Communion (English)
Nov 25	10.15 am	Holy Communion (Malayalam)

### DATE THEME

Nov 04	World Sunday School Day: Children - to be grown for Christ
Nov 11	Festival of Unity of the Communion of Churches in India (CCI)
Nov 18	Annunciation to Zechariah
Nov 25	Annunciation to Virgin Mary - Dedication to God's Will

### SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS

Date	Service Assistant	Usher	Usher
Nov 04	Jerry John	Joanna Marissa George	Sarah Varghese
Nov 11	T T George	Ashley Ann Karakal	Ashwin Thomas Karakal
Nov 18	Ajay Pappan	Shiny Thomas	Sony Thomas
Nov 25	George Thomas Karakal	Ashley Ann Alexander	Melissa Susan Mathew

### SCRIPTURE READING ASSIGNMENTS

Date	Lesson 1	Lesson 2
Nov 04	Selwyn Alexander Jacob	Rebecca Varghese
Nov 11	Jacob Chacko	Rosamma Yohannan
Nov 18	Robin Yohannan	Sneha Mary Monzy
Nov 25	Babu Varghese	Cehllamma Chacko

### Every Week

08:45 AM	<u>Sunday</u> : Sunday School (Nov 3rd [Sat] World SS Day @ Long Island MTC 9 am)
10:00 AM	<u>Sunday</u> : Praise and worship (Youth & Sunday School)
10.30 AM	<u>Friday</u> : Fasting prayer at parsonage

### LECTIONARY

Date	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
Nov 04	Deut.6:1-9	Eph.5:1-10	Eph.1:1-7	St. Mat. 18:1-5
Nov 11	Gen. 43:26-34	1Cor.10:14-21	1 Cor. 11:23-30	St. John. 6:52-58
Nov 18	1 Chro.24. 1-19	Rev. 8:1-8	Heb.5:1-10	Luke. 1:8-23
Nov 25	Zech.2:10-13	Eph 1:3-14	Gal. 4:21-31	St. Luke.1:26-38

### ORGANISATION PRAYER MEETINGS

<b>EDAVAKA MISSION</b>	<b>Saturday, Nov 17th , 2012 at 7:00 PM</b>	At the residence of Mr. Joseph K. David, Spring Valley
<b>SEVIKA SANGHAM</b>	<b>Monday, Nov 6th , 2012 at 7:00 PM</b>	At the residence of Mrs Annamma Thomas, West Nyack

### THANKSGIVING SERVICE

<b>Thanksgiving Day service &amp; Harvest festival</b>	Thursday, Nov 22nd 2012 at 9:30 AM	At Church
<b>Village of Hillburn Interfaith</b>	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2012 at 7.00 PM on	At Church

### AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

<b>CLARKSTOWN</b>		TBA
<b>ORANGETOWN</b>	<b>Saturday, Nov 3rd, 2012 at 7:00 PM</b>	At the residence of Mr. Thomas Varghese , 67 Fairview Ct, Nanuet, NY 10954
<b>RAMAPO</b>		TBA

### Schedule of House Visit by Vicar

November 1,2 & 6	Congers, Garnerville, Valley Cottage & West Nyack
November 4	Newburgh
November 8,9	Bardonia & New City
November 3,12&13	Nanuet
November 15,16	Orangburg, Tappan & Sparkill
November 17,18, 19	Spring Valley, Suffern & Monsey
November 25	Poughkeepsie & Cortland Manner & November 26,27 New Jersey