

### **Baptism**

Congratulations to Liviya Shaju daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Shaju Pappan. May God's grace and blessings that you received on your baptism guide you through out your Christian life.

### **Wedding**

Congratulations to Mrs. and Mr. Vincent Abraham. May the good Lord shower both of you with many many blessings.

### **Condolence**

Heartfelt condolence to Nancy Job and Family at the demise of her father Mr. M.M. Abraham (Staten Island, New York). May the good Lord comfort and strengthen the family in these difficult times.

### **Church Convention**

October 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> (Friday and Saturday) at 7:00 PM and October 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Holy Communion Service.  
Speaker: Evangelist Dr. Thomas George (Fort Kochi).

### **Family Night**

October 13<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 6:00 PM  
at the Clarkstown Reformed Church Hall,  
107 Strawtown Road, West Nyack, New York 10994.

Date	Day	Upcoming events 2018
November 25th	Sunday	Thanksgiving service
December 9th	Sunday	Parish day
December 23rd	Sunday	Christmas carol service

Date	Time	Prayer Meeting
October 07 Sunday	6:30PM	Special prayer meeting at the residence of John Job, 92 Wisconsin Ave, Congers, NY 10920
October 12 Friday	7:00PM	Edavaka mission prayer meeting at the residence of T.K. Koshy, 3 Wesley Ct, Congers, NY 10920
October 20 Saturday	6:30PM	Area prayer meeting at the residence of Dey P. Neduvellil, 5 Queens Court, Orangeburg, NY 10962
October 26 Friday	7:00PM	Sevika Sanghom prayer meeting at the residence of Viji John, 17 Norwood Pl, Nanuet, NY 10954

### **House Keeping Assignments**



- 1st Sunday – Clarkstown area family members.
- 2nd Sunday -- Orangetown area family members.
- 3rd Sunday -- Ramapo area family members
- 4th Sunday -- Church executive committee members.
- 5th Sunday -- Youth fellowship members.

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

ST. JAMES

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## *Vicar's message...*

*Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ*

*Greet you all in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ*

*“The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth” (Psalm: 145: 18). D.L. Moody pointed out there are three kinds of faith in Jesus Christ. They are : struggling faith - which is like a man floundering and fearful in deep water; clinging faith- which is like a man hanging to the side of a boat; and resting faith- which finds a man safe inside the boat, strong and secure enough to reach out his hand to help someone else. That is the sort faith we have to occur in order to be effective Christians. We may go through many difficult situations and experiences in our life. If we lose faith or fail to trust in God, we may be depressed and distracted. But if we cling to faith in God, he will surely help us and enable us to overcome it. He will open a powerful way. The psalmist says “the Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth”.*

*It is written in a prison in Europe, “I believe in the Sun even when it is not shining. I believe in Love even when I don't feel it. I believe in God even when He is silent.” Sometimes God seems so quiet. But He is with us to help us and guide us. So what we need to do is trust in God whatever may be the situations in life we go through. Jesus said “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and door will be open to you” Matt:7:7. We trust in a God who can open a way while all other ways are being closed. So let us come closer to God day by day and call upon Him for our help in various situations of life.*

*Our parish convention is from October 5th -7th, 2018. Evangelist Dr. Thomas George, Fort Kochi is the speaker. Please make plans to attend and be blessed. This month our Church is also observing MTVEA Sunday ( Edavaka Mission), Youth Sunday and Family Sunday. Throughout the bible we see a great emphasis on the importance of family. Instructions are given to husbands, wives, parents and children so that the family can achieve its true purpose - to glorify God. This is the time to meditate upon our family life. It is God who designed and instituted the first family in the Garden of Eden with a purpose that is to become heaven on earth with justice, peace and joy in the spirit. But due to sin man lost the meaning and purpose of the family life. It is through Jesus Christ we get back this happiness of the family life. Family is the basic unit of church and society. It is the basic community from where we understand the global world. The destruction of family is the main reason of immorality of the society. The families will have strong foundations only when they rest on the eternal values of the kingdom of God, like justice, love, reconciliation and peace.*

*May God help us to fulfill his will in our life.*

*Yours in Christ service*

*Rev. Santhosh Joseph...*



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### WORSHIP SERVICES: OCTOBER 2018

Date	Time	Service
October 07	10:15AM	Holy Communion (Malayalam)
October 14	10:15AM	Holy Communion (Malayalam)
October 21	10:15AM	Holy Communion (English)
October 28	10:15AM	Holy Communion (Malayalam)

### LECTIONARY & THEME: OCTOBER 2018

Date	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
October 07	'Be the Witness to the Gospel' – Voluntary Evangelist's Day			
	1Sam 25:14-28	1Thess 4:1-12	1Thess 5:12-22	Luke 10:25-37
October 14	Accept the Differently Aabled: Day for the People with Special Skills			
	Exod 4:1-17	Acts 3:1-10	2Cor 12:1-10	Matt 17:14-21
October 21	Youth in Search of Meaningful Life – Youth Sunday			
	Gen 39:1-23	Heb 12:1-13	1Tim 6:11-14	John 1:43-51
October 28	Family: Divine Plan – Christian Family Dedication Day			
	Josh 24:14-22	Eph 3:14-21	Gal 6:6-10	Mark 3:31-35

*Happy Birthday*

### BIRTHDAYS- OCTOBER 2018

02	Ashley Ajay	Airmont, NY
05	Philip Mathew	Nanuet, NY
05	Mariamanna David	Spring Valley, NY
06	Mathew Ninan	New City, NY
08	Mathew Samuel	New City, NY
10	Andrew Mathew	West Nyack, NY
10	John Samuel	Spring Valley, NY
10	Saumya Daniel	Florida, NY

10	Varghese Thomas	Orangeburg, NY
12	Thomas Samuel	New City, NY
14	John Job	Congers, NY
14	Roshni David	New City, NY
16	Marlene Tom	Congers, NY
17	Jenny Sarah Thomas	Spring Valley, NY
19	Thankamma Skariah	Palisades, NY
21	Joshua Cherian	New Windsor, NY
27	Mancy Kurian	Congers, NY

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



### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES - OCTOBER 2018

Date	Name	Town
October 01	Riya and Tinu Varghese	Rock Tavern, NY
October 09	Dency and Robin Chacko	New City, NY
October 10	Mariamanna and Varghese Abraham	Congers, NY
October 13	Dolly and Varghese Thomas	Orangeburg, NY
October 24	Jincy and Binu Thomas	Nanuet, NY
October 25	Mary and George Kurian	Orangeburg, NY