



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

Wedding Anniversaries- September 2017		
9/22	Annie & Monzy Daniel	Monsey
9/24	Jenifer & Josh Job	Congers
9/24	Mariamamma & Philip Parayil	Spring Valley
9/26	Andrea & Subin Alexander	Tappan
9/29	Annamamma & Thomas Samuel	New City
9/30	Aleyamma & K. M. Thomas	Bardonia

Housekeeping Responsibility: September 2017



9/3	Sun	Dey Neduvelil, Bindu Abraham & Mathew Samuel
9/10	Sun	Sanjayan Joseph, Beena John & Thomas Varghese
9/17	Sun	Annie Varghese, Linu Abraham & Shaimi Jacob
9/24	Sun	Jiji John, John K. Alexander & M. S. Eappen

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Vicar's Message

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

Throughout history, God has revealed His glory in many ways. He revealed it in the garden of Eden, then to Moses, then in the tabernacle and in the temple, then through Jesus Christ and now through the Church. As Church members, we are called to recognize His glory, honor His glory, praise His glory, reflect His glory and live for His glory.


Every Church has her own set of weakness and problems. God wants us to value relationship and make the effort to maintain them. In fact, Bible tells us that God has given us the ministry of restoring relationships. Because we are formed to be a part of God's family, one of the purposes of our life on earth is to learn how to love and relate to others. New Testament gives more attention to unity in the Church. God Himself is the highest example of sacrificial love, He desires that we experience oneness and harmony with each other.

It was God who chose to give us different personalities, backgrounds and talents so we could value and enjoy those differences in others, not merely tolerate them. Before attempting to solve any disagreement, we must first listen to the feeling of others. Listening says, 'I value your opinion, I care about our relationship and you matter to me'. We could begin with admitting our own mistakes and accept responsibility for our mistakes. For the sake of fellowship, do our best to adjust with others and show preference to their needs. Conflict is usually a sign that focus has shifted to less important issues. When we focus on personalities, styles or interpretations, divisions always happen. But if we concentrate on loving each other and fulfilling God's purpose, results in harmony.

As per the church lectionary, Sevika Sanghom day is sept 10th, and sept 17th is observed as Senior citizen day. For the believers growing older should mean a greater awareness of God's love and fellowship as well as a time of greater usefulness in Christian services.

Let us thank God for all the senior citizens of our parish.

May God bless us all.

Mathew Babychen 

WORSHIP SERVICES: SEPTEMBER 2017

Date	Time	Service
9/3	10:15 AM	Holy Communion Service (Eng)
9/10	10:15 AM	Holy Communion Service (Mal)
9/17	10:15 AM	Holy Communion Service (Mal)
9/24	10:15 AM	Holy Communion Service (Eng)

LECTIONARY and Theme September 2017

Date	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
9/3	Education for Liberation – Education Sunday			
	Prov. 8:1-12	Acts 8: 26-38	Col.1: 24-29	Mark 11:15-18
9/10	Women - Change Makers: Sevika Sangham Day			
	Num. 27:1-11	Acts16:11-15	Rom. 16:1-16	John 4: 23-30
9/17	Elderly - People of Fruitful Life: Senior Citizen Sunday			
	Isa. 40:21-31	Eph. 6: 1-9	1Tim. 5:1-10	Luke 2: 25-38
9/24	Christian witness among people of other Faiths			
	Dan. 1: 1-21	Acts 10: 9-16	1 Pet. 2: 1-10	Mat. 5: 13-16

UPCOMING EVENTS & PRAYER MEETINGS: SEPT. 2017

Sun. 9/3	9:00 AM	Sunday School starts
Sun. 9/3		School Goers Dedication Service
Sat. 9/23	7:00 PM	Edavaka Mission Prayer Meeting at the residence of Ann & Philip N. Philip 62 Kaufman Dr. Westwood, NJ 07675 (201) 358 – 1230
Sat. 9/30	6:30 PM	General Prayer Meeting at our Church Hosted by our Vicar, Rev. Mathew Baby



Birthdays - September 2017

9/1	Gigi Tom	Congers
9/2	Joseph K. Daniel	Wappinger Falls
9/2	Mariamamma Abraham	Congers
9/4	Nevin Joseph	New City
9/6	Amanda Alexander	Nanuet
9/13	Mariamamma Idiculla	Bergenfield
9/15	Abraham K. Verghese	Ramsey
9/16	Nancy Job	Congers
9/17	Elizabeth K. Cherian	Orangeburg
9/18	Susan Alexander	Tappan
9/18	Seth Mathew	Spring Valley
9/18	Sanzia Mathew	Spring Valley
9/20	Babu Mathew	Nanuet
9/20	Rajan Mathew	Nanuet
9/20	Ravika George	NJ
9/22	Anny Thomas	Avenel
9/22	Ashwin T. Karakal	Nanuet
9/24	Jenifer Job	Congers
9/25	Philip Varghese	Congers
9/26	Liya M. Johnson	Bergenfield
9/27	Vinitha A. Jose	Spring Valley