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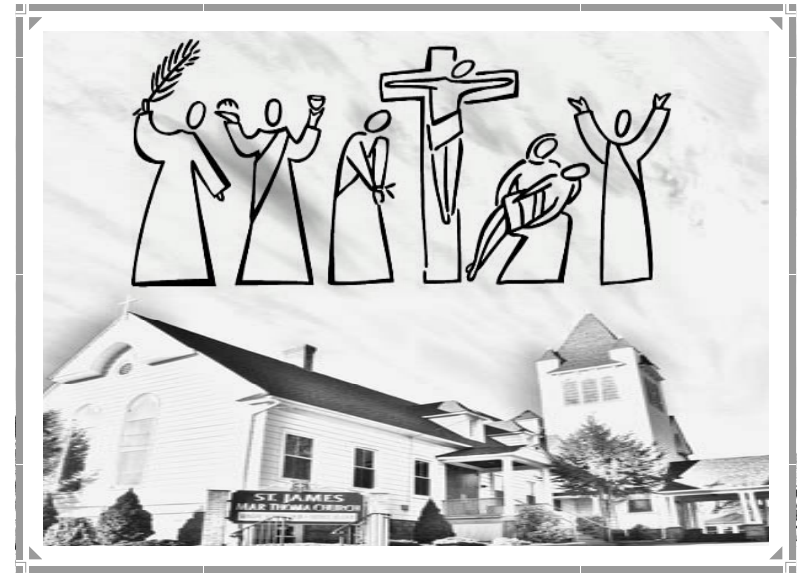
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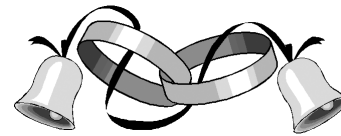
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May God bestow his goodness and blessings
as you celebrate another year of marriage.
Happy Wedding Anniversary....

Wedding Anniversaries: - April, 2017

Date	Name	Town
7	Easo Kurian & Sosamma Easo	Orangeburg
7	Philip & Sindhu Varghese	Congers
19	John & Sally Varghese	Congers

Housekeeping Responsibility April, 2017



Date	Day	Responsibility
4/2/17	Sun.	Annie Varghese, Linu Abraham, & Shaimi Jacob
4/9/17	Sun.	Jiji John, John K. Alexander, & Ajay Pappan
4/10 - 4/14/17	Mon - Fri	Joint Responsibility (Executive Committee)
4/16/17	Sun.	P. A. Chacko, T. K. Koshy, & M. S. Eappen
4/23/17	Sun.	Dey Neduveilil, Bindu Abraham & Mathew Samuel
4/30/17	Sun.	Sanjayan Joseph, Beena John, & Thomas Varghese



Birthdays : - April, 2017

1	Annamma George	Congers
1	Philip J. Parayil	Spring Valley
2	George Thomas	Spring Valley
2	Kevin Mathew	Sparkill
4	Allwyn V. Thomas	Orangeburg
4	George Thomas Karakal	Nanuet
6	Gianna M. Joshua	Nanuet
7	Ashly Sam Mathew	Edison
8	Elizabeth Jacob	Spring Valley
11	Ashley Ann Karakal	Nanuet
11	Paul P. Dey	Orangeburg
14	Annie Monzy	Monsey
15	Jacob Chacko	Spring Valley
15	Sumy Thomas	Spring Valley
15	Varghese Abraham	Congers
16	Justina Susan Koshy	Congers
16	Valsamma Jose	Spring Valley
18	Ann Philip	Westwood, NJ
18	Joseph P. David	Spring Valley
18	Nidhin M. Kurian	Congers
18	Rachel C. Ninan	New City
18	Susamma Yohannan	Valley Cottage
19	Merry Jacob	New City
21	Daisy Mathew	Edison
21	Ben Jacob Varghese	Poughkeepsie
24	Annamma Ninan	New City
24	Jessy Mathew	Sparkill
25	Jacob Alex Abraham	Nanuet
26	Sally C. Ninan	New City
28	Alice Thomas	Avenel
28	Tobin J. Mathew	Tappan
29	Sumith S. George	Valley Cottage

Vicar's Message

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

“ But you O’Lord are a God merciful and gracious slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness(“psalm 86:15)

Spiritual maturity is produced through relationships and community Living. Real spiritual growth is never an isolated individualistic pursuit. Spiritual journey is always better when it is shared. God has given us the resources like free will, financial and social stability ,enough chance reconcile, to live peacefully with others. His word assures us that it is possible to feel anger without letting it boil over into rage. ‘Be angry but do not sin ;do not let the sun go down on your anger’(eph:4:26).The spirit of God enables us to override the Sparks of fury that prompt us to do wrong.

In the passion narratives of Jesus it was the greed for money that resulted in Judas’s betrayal of Jesus for thirty pieces of silver. Similarly it was the greed for power and authority that kept Pilate from taking the side of Jesus and acted in favor of the majority crowd .Like wise it was the fear of losing life that made Peter to deny Jesus three times .All these incidents points to the self interest within us in the form of fear and self security in the power structures ,which blind us to see the truth. Great Lent season is the time for listening and learning the word of God and Christ event deeply .The word of God is like a guide to our feet to light the path of life .All our spiritual exercise during these lent season –prayer, fasting ,studying the word ,moderation ,spiritual discipline ,leads to the preparation of Easter. Meaning of Easter is honoring and recognizing Christ’s resurrection from the dead and His promise of eternal life for all who believes in Him. Resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of Christian faith .It gives us new hope.

‘A God wise enough to create me and the world I live in is wise enough to watch out for me’ . (Philip Yancey)

May God bless us all.

Yours in Christ

Mathew Babyachen.





WORSHIP/ PASSION WEEK SPECIAL SERVICES - 2017

Date	Day	Service/Time
2-Apr	Sunday	Holy Communion Service (Mal) @10:15AM
7-Apr	40thFriday	Holy Communion Service (Mal) @ 7:00 PM
9-Apr	Palm Sunday	Holy Communion Service (Eng) @ 10:15 AM
10-Apr	Monday	Evening Service @ 7:00 PM
11-Apr	Tuesday	Evening Service @ 7:00 PM
12-Apr	Wednesday	Evening Service @ 7:00 PM
13-Apr	Thursday (Moundy Thursday)	Holy Communion (Eng.) @ 7:00 PM
14-Apr	Good Friday	1st & 2nd & 3rd Services (Mal. & Eng.) @ 9:00 AM
16-Apr	Easter Sunday	Holy Communion (Mal) @ 8:00 AM
23-Apr	Sunday	Holy Communion(Eng) @10:15AM
30-Apr	Sunday	Divine Service (Eng) @10:15AM

DATE	DAY	THEME
2-Apr	Sun.	The Restoring Christ (36th Sun.)
7-Apr	Fri.	Spirituality that overcomes the Temptation (40th Fri.)
9-Apr	Sun.	Hosanna - Christ the Lord of Peace (Theological Seminary Day)
10-Apr	Mon.	Hasha - Passion Week
11-Apr	Tue.	
12-Apr	Wed.	Foretaste of Eternal Life
13-Apr	Thu.	Christ the Bread of Life (Passover Thursday)
14-Apr	Fri.	Cross-Selfgiving Love of Christ (Good Friday)
15-Apr	Sat.	Hope for the New Life (Holy Saturday)
16-Apr	Sun.	Celebration of New Life in Christ (Easter Sunday)
23-Apr	Sun.	Christ Lord and God to us (New Sunday -1st Sunday after Easter)
30-Apr	Sun.	Invitation to Christ's Hospitality. (2nd Sunday after Easter)

LECTIONARY

Date	Day	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
2-Apr	Sun.	Job. 42:10-17	Phil. 2:5-11	Eph. 2:1-10	Mark. 10:46-52
7-Apr	Fri.	Num. 21:1-9	Heb. 12:1-13	1 Pet. 1:13-22	Mat. 4:1-11
9-Apr	Sun.(Palm Sun.)	Zech. 9:1-12	Heb. 5:1-10	Col. 1:15-23	Mark. 11:1-11
10-Apr	Mon.	Isa. 63:7-19	Heb. 2:1-18		
11-Apr	Tue.	Zech. 21: 1-16	Ephe. 2:1-10		
12-Apr	Wed.	Lev. 16:1-28	1 John 4:7-20		
13-Apr	Thu.	Exo. 12:1-17	Heb. 9: 1-15	1 Cor. 11:23-34	Mat.26:31-46
14-Apr	Fri. (1st Service)	Isa. 53:1-12	1 Pet. 1:1-25		
Good Fri.	Fri. (2nd Service)	Zech. 13:1-9	Gal. 3:1-22		
	Fri. (3rd Service)	Numb. 21: 1-9	Heb. 3:1-19		
16-Apr	Sun.(Easter Sun.)	Isa 60:1-22	1 Cor. 15:42-58	1 Cor. 15:20-28	Luke. 24:1-12
23-Apr	Sun.	Gen. 3:13-17	Col. 3:1-11	Col. 1:15-23	John 20:24-29
30-Apr	Sun.	Gen. 18:1-10	Rom. 12:9-16		

AREA PRAYER MEETING - 2017

22 - April Sat. @ 7:00 PM
 Aley & M. S. Eappen
 416 White Oak Rd, Palisades, NY 10964
 Tel. (845) 365 - 1550

SEVIKA SANGHAM PRAYER MEETING ON

April 24 , Monday 7:00 pm
 Jessy Thomas
 58 Mallory Road, Hillcrest, NY 10977
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Upcoming events:

June 26 - July 1st	VBS
July 1st	Church Picnic
July 27 - July 30	Family Retreat , Montrose Bible Conference

Announcements:

We warmly welcome Ms. Namitha Maria Joshua, Nanuet to our parish.
 Mother Parish: Bahrain Marthoma Church, Bahrain
Lets pray that God bless her as we grow together in the Lord.