

Vicar's message August 2020

Greetings to all in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Covid-19 has caused unbelievable havoc for the entire world. People are fearful, confused and frustrated. Many have lost their life and still the virus is affecting many. How do we respond in this situation ? Proverbs 3 : 5 -6 says "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own understanding ; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your path".

- 1. Total Trust - Trust is very unique, God - given quality common to all humankind. Yet, it is often misguided. God never intended that we rely upon our own human understanding, but rather that we would trust completely in the all - knowing God, whose understanding is unlimited and infallible. God has granted us the capacity to trust in order that we would entrust our lives to Him and live. God wants us to live a full and meaningful life.**
- 2. Total Surrender - God is the only reliable source by which we can live the abundant life that He intends. The source of abundant life is found in Jesus Christ. Therefore, stop relying on our own human understanding. And stop trying to figure out what Jesus would do so that we can imitate Him. Imitation is a poor substitute for the real thing. Jesus Christ is "the Life".... the one and only true life. It's His life, and He alone can live it. Jesus Christ came to indwell you in order that he might live His life through you but you must let Him. Therefore, entrust your life totally to the Lord Jesus Christ. Trust Him completely with every detail of every area of your life. Then simply rest in Him. He will do the living.**
- 3. Total Lordship - do we really acknowledge the Lord Almighty in all our ways? What does it mean to acknowledge Him? It means you recognize that Jesus is Lord in your life, in your circumstance, and in the path He would have you to take.**

How do you acknowledge Him in all your ways ?

- You recognize His presence in all things.**
- You accept His sovereign control of everything.**
- You see Him working in and through all things.**
- You submit to His Lordship over everything.**
- You talk to Him about everything.**
- You follow His leading all things.**

This is possible, only after you have entrusted your total self to the Lord Jesus Christ and are actively trusting Him with all your heart. That is why Proverbs 3 : 5 tells you that you must first, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart". Once you do, then you will be able to readily acknowledge His Lordship in all your ways, and then He will direct your paths. As you remain focused on the solution - Jesus Christ your Lord, He will guide in the right direction. Therefore, make a point of acknowledging the Lord first and foremost in everything, and at all times. Thank the Lord in all things and for all things. Then trust Him to lead you through it. This is the gift of God; and it is all because of God's grace and mercy. May God Bless us all.

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| Date | Time | Worship services |
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| Aug 02 | 10:00AM | Worship service in Malayalam |
| Aug 09 | 10:00AM | Worship services in English |
| Aug 16 | 10:00AM | Worship services in Malayalam |
| Aug 23 | 10:00AM | Worship services in English |
| Aug 30 | 10:00AM | Worship services in Malayalam |

Lectioary August 2020

| Date | Lesson 1 | Lesson 2 | Epistle | Gospel |
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| Aug 02 | Gospel for all people (Mission Sunday)- | | | |
| | Isa 55:1-5 | Acts 10:34-43 | Eph 3:1-13 | Luke 4:16-22 |
| Aug 09 | The Sacrament of Holy Qurbana: ‘Celebration of Salvation’ | | | |
| | Gen 14:17-24 | Cor 11:23-34 | 1Cor 10:15-17 | Mark 14:12-26 |
| Aug 16 | Reformation Sunday: Faith Community which has to be Reformed by the Word of God | | | |
| | 2Kgs 23:1-6 | Rev 1:1-9 | 1Pet 1:13-25 | Matt 7:21-27 |
| Aug 23 | Christian witness among people of other Faiths | | | |
| | Dan 1:1-21 | Acts 10:9-16 | 1Pet 2:1-10 | Matt 5:13-16 |
| Aug 30 | The Sacrament of Holy Baptism | | | |
| | Exod 14:15-31 | Rom 6:1-11 | Titus 3:3-8 | John 3:1-8 |

Wedding Anniversary – August 2020

| Date | Name | Town |
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| Aug 1 | Mrs. & Mr. Jiji John | Nanuet |
| Aug 3 | Mrs. & Mr. Alex Mathew | West Nyack |
| Aug 7 | Mrs. & Mr. George Thomas Karakal | Nanuet |
| Aug 7 | Mrs. & Mr. Thomas Ninan | New City |
| Aug 12 | Mrs. & Mr. Ben Jacob Varghese | Pleasant Valley |
| Aug 15 | Mrs. & Mr. Shaimi Jacob | New City |
| Aug 16 | Mrs. & Mr. Kuruvilla Cherian | Orangeburg |
| Aug 20 | Mrs. & Mr. Benoj Joseph David | New City |
| Aug 21 | Mrs. & Mr. Easaw T. George | Cortlandt Manor |
| Aug 24 | Mrs. & Mr. Thampy Varghese | Rock Tavern |
| Aug 30 | Mrs. & Mr. Babu Varghese | Nanuet |
| Aug 31 | Mrs. & Mr. Daniel Thomas | Avenel, NJ |

Birthday – August 2020

| Dates | Name | Town |
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| Aug 08 | Benjamin A Chacko | Suffern |
| Aug 08 | Alli Rachel Cherian | New Windsor |
| Aug 08 | Rosamma Xavior | New City |
| Aug 10 | Philip N Philip | Westwood, NJ |
| Aug 14 | Benson David | New City |
| Aug 16 | Annika Ann Easaw | Cortlandt Manor |
| Aug 18 | Daniel Thomas | Avenel, NJ |
| Aug 18 | Thomas Zachariah | Nanuet |
| Aug 20 | Samuel Jacob | New City |
| Aug 21 | Mariamamma Joshua | Spring Valley |
| Aug 23 | Andrea Rivas Torres | Tappan |
| Aug 25 | Brayden J. David | New City |
| Aug 26 | Binu Mathew | New City |
| Aug 30 | Jesson C. George | Congers |
| Aug 31 | Nithin Jiji John | Nanuet |

Tele-Prayer Meetings June 2020

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| Wednesday's | Tele - chain prayer from 8:00AM-8:00PM. Concluding session prayer meeting at 8:00PM. |
| Friday's | Tele - Fasting prayer at 10:30AM. |
| Saturday's | Tele – prayer meeting at 8:00PM with the leader ship of area prayer groups and Church organizations. |

Upcoming Events.

| Date | Events |
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| September 25 th , 26 st & 27 nd | Church convention (Virtual). |
| November 29 th Sunday | Thanks Giving Service and Auction (Virtual). |
| December 6 th Sunday | Parish day(Virtual). |