

St. James Marthoma Church Newsletter

Message from Rev. Ajith Varghese

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Beloved St. James family members,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We enter this new month with the theme "Hudos Eetho" which means Renewal of the Church. The liturgical year of the Church begins on the Sunday after October 29. Strictly speaking, the liturgical year begins on October 30 or 31 if it falls on a Sunday or on the first Sunday of November. The beginning of the liturgical year starts with "Kudosh Eetho". The first two Sundays of the liturgical year we meditate on 'the Sanctification of the church' (Kudosh Eetho) and 'the Renewal of the church' (Hudos Eetho).

November first Sunday, we also celebrating as the World Sunday School Day. Robert Raikes was the pioneer of Sunday school movement. In 1780 Robert Raikes began a Sunday school movement in Gloucester, England. Robert often visited prisoners of Gloucester. Even children were sometime imprisoned along with the worst criminals. In 1750's as a part of industrial revolution, many children were drawn into factories. Once out of factories, the children engaged themselves in crime, robbery and mischief for quick money and fame. Raikes watched children wasting themselves away in slums. "Let's starts a Sunday school" an idea began to form in Robert's mind which he shared with Reverend Thomas Stock. This new beginning makes drastic changes in these children. The formal origin of the Mar Thoma Sunday School Samajam was in the year 1905. Our forefathers and mothers realized this as a glaring need and began to engage the children by teaching them the life of Jesus Christ. The Sunday school movement has been assigned for many years to spread the sweetness of God's word to the children, to show them the way of goodness, and to prepare the basic wisdom of the Word of God.

We contemplate the coming days as a time of Annunciation. As the action initiating the Incarnation of Christ, the annunciation has such an important place in the life of church. Many of God's elect have received the annunciation to participate in this great divine plan. The sufferings, pains and conflicts of many people are happening as part of the incarnation of Christ. Let the themes of 'Sanctification of the church' and 'Renewal of the church' which we meditate on at the beginning of this liturgical year, help us to be prepared and sanctify ourselves as part of the birth of Jesus.

God bless you all.

Ajith Varghese Achen

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DATE	SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES - NOVEMBER, 2022	TIME
6-Nov	Holy Communion Service (Eng)	10:15 AM
13-Nov	Divine Service (Mal)	10:15 AM
20-Nov	Holy Communion Service (Eng)	10:15 AM
27-Nov	Holy Communion Service (Mal)	10:15 AM

LECTIONARY - NOVEMBER, 2022					
Day	Date	Lesson: 1	Lesson: 2	Epistles	Gospels
Sun	6-Nov	Renewal of the Church. World Sunday School Day, Children: To be brought for Christ.			
		Judg. 13: 1-8	Heb. 11: 17-27	Eph. 6: 1-9	John. 6:1-14
Sun	13-Nov	Annunciation to Zechariah.			
		1 Chr. 24: 1-19	Rev. 7: 9-17	Eph. 4: 1-13	Luke. 1: 5-23
Sun	20-Nov	Annunciation to Virgin Mary.			
		1 Sam.2: 1-11	Gal. 4: 1-7	Eph. 1:3-10	Luke. 1:26-38
Sun	27-Nov	Visitation of Virgin Mary to Elizabeth. Sharing the Good News.			
		Gen. 18: 1-15	1Thes. 3: 6-13	Rom. 10: 9-17	Luke. 1: 39-45

AREA PRAYER MEETINGS – NOV. 2022				
DAY	DATE	TOWN		
Sat	5-Nov	Orangetown: At the residence of Namita Joshua. Time: 7:00 PM		
		Address: 417 Franklin Turnpike Apt1, Mahwah NJ 07430		
		All are Invited		
Fri	18-Nov	Sevika Sanghom Prayer: @St. James Church. Time 7:00 PM		
		Address: 42 4 th St. Hillburn, NY 10931		

DAY	DATE	EVENTS
Sun	6-Nov	Daylight Saving Ends.
Sun	27-Nov	Thanksgiving Day Celebration

BIRTHDAYS: NOVEMBER 2022				
DATE	NAME	TOWN		
1-Nov	Sosamma Easo	Orangeburg, NY		
4-Nov	Easaw T. George (Aji)	Cortlandt Manor, NY		
5-Nov	John P. K. (Aniachen)	Valley Cottage, NY		
7-Nov	Sony Mathew	(Glenmont, NY)		
7-Nov	Thomas Varghese (Shaji)	Nanuet, NY		
9-Nov	Sony Thomas	Valley Cottage, NY		
11-Nov	Sindhu Varghese	(Congers, NY)		
13-Nov	Ashley Ann Alexander	(Nanuet, NY)		
13-Nov	Elizabeth Varghese (Serene)	(Pleasant Valley, NY		
15-Nov	Rosamma Chacko	(New City, NY)		
15-Nov	(Mariamma Jacob (Susan)	(Nanuet, NY)		
15-Nov	Rachel Jacob (Mani)	(Tappan, NY)		
17-Nov	Aaron Alexander	(Nanuet, NY)		
19-Nov	Dency Chacko	New City, NY		
22-Nov	Babu Varughese	(Nanuet, NY)		
23-Nov	Chellamma Chacko	(Suffern, NY)		
24-Nov	John Xavier	(New City, NY)		
24-Nov	Thomas K. M (Kunjootty)	(Valley Cottage, NY)		
25-Nov	Jacob Alexander (Sunny)	(Nanuet, NY)		
26-Nov	Dylan Varghese	(Congers, NY)		
27-Nov	Chacko P. George	(New City, NY)		
27-Nov	Teena Mary Varghese	(Rock Tavern, NY)		
29-Nov	(Mathew N. K. (Joy))	Tappan, NY		

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES: NOVEMBER, 2022				
DATE	NAME	TOWN		
2-Nov	Annie & Thomas Varghese	Nanuet, NY		
7-Nov	Amy & Roy Eappen	Palisades, NY		
20-Nov	Aleyamma & Zachariah Abraham	Bangalore, India		
25-Nov	Sherly & Moncy Kurian	Congers, NY		
27-Nov	Annamma & Joseph K. Daniel	Wappinger Falls, NY		

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