



St. James Marthoma Church Newsletter August 2023

Message from the Vicar

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Beloved St. James Family members

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is the core experience of the Christian life that we pray and strive to remain as agents of God's grace. We must always consider that others are looking for the essence and core of the Christian life from our daily life of faith. "Be careful to live properly among your unbelieving neighbors. Then even if they accuse you of doing wrong, they will see your honorable behavior, and they will give honor to God when He judges the world." (1 Peter 2:12).

Dr. Catherine Hamlin was a pioneering Australian surgeon whose work for women with obstetric fistula, a common injury in the developing world that can occur during childbirth. When Dr. Hamlin and her husband arrived in Ethiopia, there was little to no treatment available for such patients anywhere in the country. Under Dr. Catherine Hamlin's pioneering guidance, over 60,000 Ethiopian women have had their lives transformed under the Hamlin Model of Care. She was at the hospital when she was ninety-two years old, and she began each day with a cup of tea and Bible study, Hamlin told curious questioners that she was an ordinary believer in Jesus who was simply doing the job God had given her to do. In Ethiopia, they continued uninterrupted for more than half a century.

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Dr. Hamlin powerfully exemplified for us, Scripture's encouragement to believers to live their lives in such a way that even people who actively reject God. The power of God's Spirit that called us out of spiritual darkness into a relationship with Him (v. 9) can also transform our work or areas of service into testimonies of our faith. In whatever passion or skill God has gifted us, we can embrace added meaning and purpose in doing all of it in a manner that has the power to point people to Him. May God inspire us to spread the sweetness of God's love in workplaces.

In His Ministry

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	DATE	WORSHIP SERVICES: August, 2023	TIME
Sun	Aug 06	Holy communion service in English	9:30 AM
Sun	Aug 13	Holy communion service in Malayalam	9:30 AM
Sun	Aug 20	Holy communion service in English	9:30 AM
Sun	Aug 27	Holy communion service in Malayalam	9:30 AM

College going student's dedication service on August 6th
Sunday during Holy communion service.

LECTIONARY-August 2023					
Day	Date	Lesson: 1	Lesson: 2	Epistles	Gospels
Sun	Aug 06	Mission Sunday, The Feast of Transfiguration-Glorification of the Messiah Through death			
		Exod 34:29-35	2Pet 1:12-21	2Cor 3:5-11	Luke 9:28-36
Sun	Aug 13	Holy Qurbana: Commemoration and the Experience of the Salvific Event			
		Gen 14:17-24	1Cor 10:14-22	1Cor 11:23-34	Mark 14:22-25
Sun	Aug 20	End of the Fifteen Days Lent, Independence Day of India			
		2Kgs 23:1-6	1John 2:14-17	Heb 4:12-13	Luke 8:9-15
Sun	Aug 27	Called to be the Light-Church in the Pluralistic Society			
		Isa 60:1-10	Acts 10:9-16	1Pet 2:1-10	Matt 5:13-16



Birthday –August

Dates	Name	Town
Aug 08	Benjamin Chacko	Suffern
Aug 08	Alli Cherian	New Windsor
Aug 08	Rosamma Xavior	New City
Aug 10	Philip N Philip	Westwood, NJ
Aug 14	Benson J. David	New City
Aug 16	Annika Ann Easaw	Cortlandt Manor
Aug 18	Daniel K. Thomas	Avenel, NJ
Aug 18	Maya Thomas	Orangeburg
Aug 20	Samuel Jacob	New City
Aug 23	Andrea Rivas Torres	Nanuet
Aug 25	Brayden J. David	New City
Aug 26	Binu Mathew	New City
Aug 29	Suraj Varkey	Bardonia
Aug 30	Jesson C. George	New City
Aug 31	Nithin Jiji John	Nanuet



Wedding Anniversary – August

Date	Name	Town
Aug 01	Mrs. & Mr. Jiji John	Nanuet
Aug 07	Mrs. & Mr. George Thomas Karackal	Nanuet
Aug 07	Mrs. & Mr. Thomas Ninan	New City
Aug 12	Mrs. & Mr. Ben Jacob Varghese	Pleasant Valley
Aug 15	Mrs. & Mr. Shami 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 K. Thomas	Avenel, NJ

Upcoming Events - 2023

August 6 th Sunday	College going student's dedication during Holy communion service.
September 3 rd Sunday	School going student's dedication during Holy communion service.
September	Church convention – 3 rd week (tentative date).
October (TBA)	Family night.
November 23 rd Thursday	Thanks Giving Service 9:30AM follows auction and lunch.
December 3 rd Sunday	Parish day.
December	House caroling – December 8,9,15,16 &17
December 24 th Sunday	Church Christmas carol service in the evening.
December 25 th Monday	Christmas day service – Holy communion in English at 8:30 AM.
December 31 st Sunday	Watch night service – Holy communion service in Malayalam at 10:00PM

Prayer Meetings.

Carmel area prayer group meeting on August 5th Saturday at 7:00PM at the residence of Mr.Shaju Pappan, 3 Lynch Ct., Garnerville, NY 10923. All are invited.

Edavaka mission prayer meeting on August 11th Friday at 7:00 PM at Church.

Sevika Sanghom prayer meeting on August 26th Saturday at 7:00PM at the residence of Mrs.Bindu Abraham , 9 Hacker Place Nanuet, NY 10954.

Every Friday at 10:30 AM fasting prayer meeting via zoom.

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Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.