

# Congratulations On Your Graduation

To all St. James Marthoma Church  
high school and college graduates



Good Luck  
on Your  
Journey

St. James  
Marthoma  
Church  
Newsletter  
June 2024

## Message from the Vicar

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Beloved St. James Family Members

Greetings in the name of our Savior Jesus Christ. We were thanking God for allowing us to enter a new month. The statement of Jesus “For every tree is known by its fruit” (Lk 6:44) is part of His teaching about recognizing true followers. In our lives, every word and every action is fruit from our hearts. Sinners sin because that’s what is in their hearts.

A nursery owner set out to sell peach trees. She considered various approaches. Should she line up leafy saplings in burlap sacks in a beautiful display? Should she create a colorful catalog picturing peach trees in different seasons of growth? At last, she realized what really sells a peach tree. It’s the peach it produces: sweet-smelling, deep orange, and fuzzy-skinned. The best way to sell a peach tree is to pluck a ripe peach, cut it open until the juice dribbles down your arm, and hand a slice to a customer. When they taste the fruit, they want the tree.

God reveals Himself in a wrapper of spiritual fruit in His followers: love, joy, peace, forbearance (patience), kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22–23). When believers in Jesus exhibit such fruit, others will also want that fruit, and, therefore, will seek the Source of the fruit that’s so attractive.

Fruit is the external result of an internal relationship—the influence of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Fruit is the dressing that beckons others to know the God we represent. Like the bright peaches standing out against the green leaves of a tree, the fruit of the Spirit announces to a starving world, “Here is food! Here is life! Come and find a way out of exhaustion and discouragement. Come and meet God!”

The First Sunday in June mainly focuses on the theme of Education. Knowledge is acquired, but wisdom is applied. True education bridges the gap between knowing and doing. We are drawn to this relevant thought “Your degree is just a piece of paper; your education is seen in your behavior.” Father’s Day is celebrated annually in the United States on the third Sunday in June. Father’s Day celebrates and honors the men who have embraced the essential role of fatherhood. On this day, we also thank fathers and father figures for their sacrifices, for embracing the responsibility of nurturing and raising children, and for their devotion to their families. Let us remember with gratitude all those who sacrificed their lives for our good. May God continue to bless us all.

In His Ministry

Ajith Varghese Achen

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	DATE	WORSHIP SERVICES: June, 2024	TIME
Sun	June- 02	Holy Communion Service (English)	10:15 AM
Sun	June - 09	Holy Communion Service (Malayalam)	10:15 AM
Sun	June - 16	Holy Communion Service (English)	10:15 AM
Sun	June - 23	Holy Communion Service (Malayalam)	10:15 AM
Sun	June - 30	Divine worship Service (Malayalam)	10:15 AM

LECTIONARY-June, 2024					
Day	Date	Lesson: 1	Lesson: 2	Epistles	Gospels
Sun	June - 02	Beginning of Academic year: Education that leads to wisdom; Medical Aid offertory for the Clergy			
		1Kgs 3:3-14	James 3:13-18	Eph 5:9-17	Matt 7:21-27
Sun	June - 09	Environmental Sunday: Integrity of whole creation in Christ			
		Isa 65:17-25	Rev 21:1-8	Rom 8:18-25	John 3:16-21
Sun	June - 16	Beginning of Fast of the Apostles: Call and commission to be Christ's Disciples			
		Jer 1:1-12	2Cor 4:1-6	Acts 9:10-17	Matt 4:17-22
Sun	June - 23	Discipleship: the call to bear the Cross			
		Dan 6:10-23	2Cor 6:1-10	Col 1:24-29	Luke 9:23-27
Sun	June - 30	The glorious appearance of Jesus Christ and the disciples who need to be vigilant			
		Mal 3:13-18, 4:1-2	Acts 1:6-11	1Thess 4:13-18	Matt 24:42-51



### Birthday – June

Dates	Name	Town
June 01	Sherly Kurian	Congers
June 02	Jessy Thomas	Spring Valley
June 04	Amy M. Eappen	Palisades
June 05	John K. Alexander	Nanuet
June 08	Jakus Noah Thomas	Nanuet
June 09	Aleykutty C. Eappen	Palisades
June 11	Jonathan James Joshua	Montevale, NJ
June 16	Johan George Easaw	Cortlandt Manor
June 17	Cole Eappen	Palisades
June 19	Shanti C. Verghese	Ramsey
June 27	Mathew Easo	Orangeburg
June 30	Dennis John Samuel	New City



## Wedding Anniversary - June

Date	Name	Town
June 01	Chellamma & P.A. Chacko	Suffern
June 09	Jessy & George Thomas	Spring Valley
June 14	Shaina & Sony Mathews	Glenmont

## Upcoming Events - 2024

Date	Events
Open	Church spring cleanup.
June 29 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Church picnic. (Tentative date).
August 11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	College going student's dedication during Holy communion service.
August 15 <sup>th</sup> – 18 <sup>th</sup>	Church Family retreat.
September 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	School going student's dedication during Holy communion service.
September 20,21 & 22	Church convention. (Tentative date)
November 24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	Thanks Giving Service after Church Service follows auction and lunch.
December 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	Parish day.
December 6,7,8,13,14 & 15	House caroling
December 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	Church Christmas carol service in the evening.
December 25 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	Christmas day service – Holy communion in English at 8:30AM.
December 31 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday	Watch night service – Holy communion service in Malayalam at 10:00PM

## Prayer Meetings.

Hebron area group prayer meeting on Saturday June 1st, 2024 at 7:00PM at the residence of Mr.P.A.Chacko, 28<sup>th</sup> N De Baun Ave, #103, Suffern, NY.

Eadavaka mission prayer meeting on June 7<sup>th</sup> Friday at 7:00PM at the residence of Mr. Joseph David, 133 Creekside Circle, Spring Valley, NY 10977.

Sinai area prayer group meeting on June 8<sup>th</sup> Saturday at 7:30PM at the residence of Mr. Binu Thomas, 64 Lake Nanuet Dr., Nanuet, NY 10954.

Fasting prayer meeting first and third week Friday at 10:30 AM via zoom.

Sevika Sanghom prayer meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup> Friday at 7:00PM at the residence of Mrs. Susan Alexander, 34 Orchard Steet, Nanuet, NY 10954.

Senior citizen prayer meeting on forth week Wednesday at 7:30 PM via Zoom.

## June 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Father’s Day



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42 Fourth Street  
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Psalms 103:13

***As a father  
shows  
compassion to  
his children, so  
the Lord shows  
compassion to  
those who fear  
him.***