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Church Cleaning Schedule

- May 7 : Mathew Oommen
& Mathew M. Oommen
- May 14: Mathew Varughese Sr
& Robin Mundakkal
- May 21: Saraja Samuel
& Sunith George
- May 28: Varughese Kurian
& Aneesh Abraham
- June 4 : Biji Thomas
& Bino Thomas
- June 4 : Binu Cherian
& George Cherian
- June 4 : Harish Sathri
& Jacob Chacko
- June 4 : Jiju Thankachen
& Joy John
- June 4 : Manoj Daniel
& Mathews Jacob
- June 4 : Mathew C. Mathew
& Mathai John
- June 4 : Mathew Oommen
& Mathew M. Oommen
- June 4 : Mathew Varughese
& Robin Mundakkal.

News & Events - May 2017

- May 07- Parish day
- May 21- Mother's Day Celebration.
- May 20- Cottage Prayer at Mathew Varghese's residence @ 6:30 PM
- Bible class on every Sunday from 9:30 to 10:15 AM
- CSI North American Family & youth Conference (July 6-9)

TREASURER'S CORNER

Thanks to everyone for your support and generous contributions. We have already past the first quarter of the year. Please keep up with your dues. Monthly or quarterly payment of subscriptions will be appreciated and will help us pay the bills on time. Please make your contributions to the snack fund if you have not already done so. We still have a \$6900.00 deficit budget. The lent amount budgeted is short by \$ 750.00. If you have not returned the Lent cover please return it in the coming weeks, Also please make your pledge contributions so that we can meet our budget.

Reminder: Please contact Achen or Warden to schedule Cottage Prayers and Fasting Prayers.

BIBLE AT GLANCE: THE BOOK OF MALACHI:

The word Malachi means "my angel" or "my messenger". Malachi was a contemporary of the leader Nehemiah and shared his burden over the backslidden condition of the nation. He probably wrote this book around 433 B.C., the time of Nehemiah's visit to Babylon recorded in Nehemiah: 13:6. The main purpose of this book is that Malachi wrote in an attempt to confront the people with their sin and call them back to God. He sought to balance their accountability to the Law of Moses with the unchanging love of God.



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Message for the Month of May 2017

MOTTO 2017

ISAIAH: 40:31 "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be in faint"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.

Greet you all, in the name of Lord and Savior Jesus.

While we come to the Numbers: 13:31-33 here it says, But the men who had gone up with him said "we can't attack those people; they are stronger than we are." And they spread among the Israelites a bad report about the land they had explored. They said, "The land we explored devours those living in it. All the people we saw there are of a great size. We saw the Nephilim there (the descendants of Anak come from the Nephilim). We seemed like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and we looked the same to them." It was a golden moment for the children of Israel.

It was time to take advantage of one of the opportunities the Lord was placing before them.

After a long journey through the desert they had now come to the Promised Land. In obedience to a command of the Lord they sent spies to scout the land.

The resulting report was partly favorable. It spoke of a fruitful country; it pictured a land flowing with milk and honey. But the report was also partly unfavorable. A majority of the scouts emphasized the fortified town and formidable enemies they had seen; they were afraid. They were afraid in spite of the Lord's promise to them. As Joshua and Caleb stated in a minority report, Numbers: 14:8,9: "If the Lord is pleased with us, he will lead us in to that land, land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. Only do not rebel against the Lord. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will swallow them up.

Their protection is gone, but the Lord is with us. Do not be afraid of them."

The problem that the majority of the scouts thought confronted them in the land of Canaan reflects a problem that frequently arises in the lives of Christians. The fear of the failure looms large.

Let us also pray to the Lord that, give us the courage to take advantage of the opportunities that you place before us and not to shrink in fear of failure.

Thank you one and all for the wonderful support in all the Church activity.

May God almighty bless you and keep you safely in all the new areas of life.

Rev. Happy Abraham (vicar)

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Sunday Bible Readings - May 2017

May 07, 2017 , 3rd Sunday after Easter .(Holy Communion Service in Malayalam) Communion with Risen Christ in Daily Life.

Lesson 1 : Exodus 40 : 34 - 38. (Warden)

Psalm : 23 (Mathews Jacob's family)

Lesson 2 : Philippians 3: 8 –16 (Mathew C. Mathew's family)

Gospel : Luke 24 : 13 - 33.

Communion Elements: Biji Thomas's Family.

May 14, 2017 , 4th Sunday after Easter . (Matin service in English)

Believing in Christ : The Way.

Lesson 1 : Exodus 14 : 10 - 20. (Youth)

Psalm : 116 (Youth)

Lesson 2 : Acts 16: 19 – 34 (Youth)

Gospel : John 14 : 1 - 7.

Communion Elements: Bino Thomas's Family.

May 21, 2017, 5th Sunday after Easter .(Holy Communion Service in Malayalam)

Mission as Sharing Christ's Peace.

Lesson 1 : Micah 4 : 1 - 7. (Warden)

Psalm : 85 (Mathew Oommen's family)

Lesson 2 : Philippians 4 : 4 – 9 (Mathew M. Oommen's Fmly)

Gospel : Luke 24: 36 - 49.

Communion Elements: Binu Cherian's Family.

May 28, 2017 , 6th Sunday after Easter .(Holy Communion Service in English)

Promise of the Holy Spirit

Lesson 1 : Joel 2 : 28 - 32. (Warden)

Psalm : 42 (Mathew Varghese Family)

Lesson 2 : Galatians 5 : 22 – 26 (Robin Mundakkal's Fmly)

Gospel : John 14: 15 - 21.

Communion Elements: Geogre Cherian's Family.



Birthdays

May - 2017

May - 05 - Mrs. Mariamma Joy May - 25 - Mrs. Malti George

May - 06 Mr. Shibu Samuel May - 25 - Mr. Mathews Jacob

May - 07 Mrs. Annamma Bobi May - 27 - Mr. Bino Thomas

May- 11 Ma: Austin M. Oommen. May - 28 - Mrs. Daisy Cherian

May - 14 Mr. Harish Sathri. May - 30 - Mr. Manoj Daniel

May - 17 Mrs. Binu Mundakkal

May - 20 Mr. Mathew Varghese (Sr)

May - 22 Mr. Mathew Oommen

May - 22 Mrs. Mazy Cherian

May - 23 Ma. Ian Abraham Happy.

Choir Practice: Every Sunday after Service (unless announced otherwise)
Committee Meeting: Second Saturday of Every Month (unless announced otherwise)



Sunday Bible Readings - May– June 2017

June 4, 2017 , Pentecost Sunday .(Holy Communion Service in Malayalam)

Come Holy Spirit Transform the Whole Creation

Lesson 1 : Ezekiel 36 : 24 - 36. (Warden)

Psalm : 29 (Saraja Samuels Family)

Lesson 2 : Acts 2 : 1 – 13 (Sunith Georges Fmly)

Gospel : John 20: 19 - 23.

Communion Elements: Harish J. Sathri's Family.

June 18, 2017 , Sunday .(Holy Communion Service in Malayalam)

Worship: Celebration of People's Faith.

Lesson 1 : Isaiah 6 : 1 - 8. (Warden)

Psalm : 148 (Varghese Kurians Family)

Lesson 2 : Revelation 4 : 1 – 11 (Aneesh Abrahams Fmly)

Gospel : John 4: 16 - 26.

Communion Elements: Jacob Chacko's Family.

June 11, 2017, Trinity Sunday .(Holy Communion Service in English)

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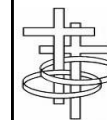
Lesson 1 : Ezekiel 1 : 4 - 28. (Youth)

Psalm : 98 (youth)

Lesson 2 : 2 cori 13 : 11 – 14 (Youth)

Gospel : Mathew 28: 16 - 20.

Communion Elements: Youths.



Wedding Anniversaries

May 07 - Mrs & Mr. Mathew Varghese (Jr)

May 11- Mrs & Mr. Sunith George

May 17- Mrs & Mr. Biji Thomas

May 19 - Mrs & Mr. Mathew Varghese (Sr)

May 22 - Mrs & Mr. Bino Thomas

May 22 - Mrs & Mr. Jacob Chacko

May 25 - Mrs & Mr. Joy John

Holy Communion Services: Will be announced ahead of time in Church and via Email
Sunday School at 9 a.m. & Bible Class at 9.45 a.m. (unless announced otherwise)