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Worship — Sunday 9:00 am | Sunday School — After Worship

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MESSAGE FROM THE VICAR

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

I thank God almighty for giving us the opportunity to praise God at the beginning of this month. The first Sunday church will meditate upon the theme heavenly wisdom. Wisdom is a gift from God. James 1:5 states "But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all men generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him." Wisdom is what God will bless us with in order for us to glorify Him with the knowledge we have of Him. Proverbs 1:7 says "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; Fools despise wisdom and instruction." Knowledge is what is gathered from Scriptures through meditation. And wisdom reveals itself by acting upon that knowledge. So we could say knowledge and wisdom are two sides of one coin. The second Sunday church is observing as ecological Sunday. In Genesis, God said "till it and keep it", (Gen 2:15) this should be understood not as dominion over the whole world, but as the 'stewardship' of human beings over the creatures. We must have a relationship of mutuality with other creatures and we must empathize and participate with, delight in, and accompany the creatures to bring about a communion of all sections of creation whose head is God himself. Genesis teaches us that the Lord God formed us "out of the dust of the ground" (Gen. 2:7; 3:19). Therefore human and creation had an interdependent relationship. Let us decide to protect our nature for our coming generation.

As we are celebrating our Jubilee this year let us participate in the jubilee program whole heartedly and to be light in the light of the world. May God bless us all.

With prayers

Rev. Issac Parampottil Kurien

YOUTH CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

In today's world, the drastic changes in global weather conditions, the increase in all forms of pollution, the huge amounts of waste produced each year, deforestation, and many other problems have made the environment a major concern for people all over the world.

Too often, we have an incorrect understanding of the bible. It is commonly believed by many people that God created the world for the benefit of people. But this is not a correct understanding of the bible. This is God's world (Psalms 24:1) and we are to be its caretakers, (The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it, Genesis 2:15). We are responsible to God for taking care of His world.

But too often as Christians, we fail in our responsibility to take care of creation. At a previous Maramon Convention, Joseph Mar Thoma Metropolitan stressed the need to protect the environment for the sustenance of life. He said there were media reports on the badly littered riverbed after the previous year's Maramon Convention. The Mar Thoma Metropolitan called upon the faithful to keep the Maramon riverbed clean, taking environment protection as a divine mission."

God created the world and it still belongs to Him, but He wants us to be "a priestly kingdom and a holy nation (Exodus 19:5-6.)" As our Metropolitan said, protecting the environment is a divine mission. We as Christians should do our part to reduce the amount of pollution that is generated each year. Even small changes can have major impacts. The world is a gift from God to us; it is our Christian responsibility to make sure that it is well cared for. Not only for God, but also for our children.

Rev. Shibi Abraham

Youth Chaplain
194 Bregman Ave, New Hyde Park, NY
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Area and Organizational Prayer meetings

The following are the recommended Prayer and meeting schedules

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|---|-----------------------------|
| 1-Saturday - Bellrose | - |
| 1- Sunday— Garden City | Senior Citizen |
| 2-Saturday— New Hyde Park East | Wednesdays—6.00 pm |
| 2-Sunday— Elmont & West Hemp | Youth Fellowship - |
| 3-Saturday— Pallibhagom | 1st & 3rd Fridays - 6.30 pm |
| 3-Sunday— | Yuvajana Sakhyam |
| Floral Park & Glen Oaks | 3rd Sunday - 1.30 pm |
| 4-Saturday - Eastern Long Island | Young Family — |
| 4-Sunday— New Hyde Park West | 2nd Sunday - 1.30 pm |
| | Committees |
| Edavaka Mission | 4th Sunday after worship |
| Friday - 7.30 pm | |
| Sevika Sanghom | - |
| Wednesday or Thursday - 10.30 am | |

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 7th Sunday — Malayalam Holy Communion at 9.00 AM

(Students Sunday - Wisdom from Above)

Praise & Worship by Sunday School.

Sermon : TBA

Prayer: TBA

Lessons: 1st Lesson **1 King. 3:16-28** Mr. Achankunju Mathew
 2nd Lesson **Jam. 1:1-8** Mrs. Sosamma Mathew
 Lay Assistant: **Mr. Abraham C. Thomas**
 Epistle **Phil. 4:4-9** Gospel **St.Luke. 10:21-24**

June 14th Sunday– English Holy Communion at 9.00 AM

(Creation Proclaims the Glory of God - Environmental Sunday)

Praise and Worship service by Sunday school

Sermon : **TBA**

Prayer: **TBA**

Lessons: 1st Lesson **Prov. 8:22-31** Mr. Roshith Mathew
 2nd Lesson **Rev. 21:1-8** Ms. Stefi Mathew
 Lay Assistant: **Mr. Richi Philip**
 Epistle: **Col. 1:9-20** Gospel: **St.Luke. 8:22-25**

June 21st Sunday — Malayalam Holy Communion at 9:00 am

(Worship the Lord in Truth and Spirit)

Praise & Worship service by youth fellowship

Sermon: **Mr. Jerryl Abraham** Prayer: **Ms. Tena Varghese**
 Lessons: 1st Lesson **Isa. 6:1-8** Mr. Shinoth M.Thankachen
 2nd Lesson **1 John. 5:1-12** Ms. Jeny Jose
 Lay Assistant: **Mr. C.K. Mathai**
 Epistle **2 Thes. 2:13-17** Gospel **St.John. 4:13-26**

June 28th Sunday — English Holy Communion at 9.00 AM

(Cost of discipleship)

Praise & Worship: By Sunday School

Sermon: **TBA** Prayer: **TBA**
 Lessons: 1st Lesson **Dan. 6:11-23** Mr. Anoop Thomas
 2nd Lesson **Heb. 11:23-40** Ms. Stefie Thomas
 Lay Assistant: **Mr. Tinu Thampy**
 Epistle **2 Cor. 6:11-18** Gospel **St.Mark.10:35-45**

PRAYER GROUP & ORGANIZATIONS

AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

Bellerose

(TBA)

Eastern Long Island
June 20th Saturday 7.30 PM
 Mr. Ashish Jacob
 15 Wisteria Way, Commack
 Tel# 631-858-0363

Elmont & West Hempstead

(TBA)

Floral Park & Glen Oaks
June 21st Sunday 7.00PM
 Mr. M.O Thomas
 82-61 Little neck Pkwy, Floral Park
 Tel# 718-343-9468

Garden City Park

June 7th Sunday 7.00 PM

Mr. Jain P. George
 2 Herrick Court , New Hyde Park
 Tel # (516) 225-7284

New Hyde Park East

(TBA)

New Hyde Park West

June 14th Sunday 7:00PM

Mr. Achankunju Mathew,
 79 McKee Street , Floral Park
 Tel # 516 488 2629

Palli Bhagom

(TBA)

EDAVAKA MISSION PRAYERS

June 5th Friday 7.30 PM At the Church as Fasting Prayer

June 12th Friday 7.30 PM Prayer meeting At the Church

June 19th Friday 7.30 PM Prayer meeting At the church

June 26th Friday 7.30 PM Prayer meeting At the Church

CHOIR

Malayalam Choir practice will be held every Sunday immediately after Holy Communion.

SEVIKA SANGHOM PRAYER MEETINGS

June 3rd 10.00 AM (Wednesday)	Mrs Lizzy Mathai 75-30 263 Street Glen Oaks , N.Y	718 347 4673
June 10th , 10.00 AM (Wednesday)	Mrs Annamma Mathews 7 Third Street Garden City Park , NY	516 747 5473
June 18th 10.00 AM (Thursday)	Center "A" Meeting St.John's M.T Church	
June 25th , 10.00 AM (Thursday)	Mrs Soosan Varghese 702 Trans Street Elmont , NY	
June 27th 10am (Saturday)	NE Regional Meeting Carmel Mar Thoma Church, Boston	

SENIOR CITIZENS FELLOWSHIP

Health / Recreational Program:

Every Wednesday at 6.00PM

Cottage Prayer Meeting
(TBA)

YOUNG FAMILIES FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship Meeting
(TBA)

YUVAJANA SAKHYAM

Cottage Meeting
(TBA)

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

June 5th Friday @ 6.30 PM Prayer meeting at the Church
June 19th Friday @ 6.30 PM Prayer meeting at the Church

BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

Joji Mathew	1	Offer prayer and thanksgiving on
Shibu Mathew	1	June 14th, 2015
MathewGeorge	1	Alicekutty Alexander 15
Rosilin S Varughese	1	Ann G Abraham 15
Sheena K. Johnson	1	Raichel George 15
Susan K. Abraham	1	Philip M Joseph 15
Bijoy Abraham	1	Sona K. Philip 15
Danica V Simon	1	Jacob Solomon 16
Kuruvilla Abraham	1	Anju K Abraham 16
Sosamma Thomas	2	Julie Thomas 17
Mariamanna John	2	Siju Philip 17
Alicia S. Lukose	3	Biju Lukose 17
Tena Thomas	4	Chacko Zachariah 18
Miraje T. John	4	Shibi Binu 18
Blessymol A. Varghese	4	Romuald P. Mathews 19
Ryan Jacob	4	Berlyn Stanley 19
Alexander P. Eapen	4	Mintu E Thomas 19
Ariena E. Eapen	4	Jacob T. Thomas 20
Josiah G Samuel	4	Delwin P. Cherish 20
Tena Thomas	4	Annie Titus 20
Ninan Abraham	5	Renae N. Abraham 21
Paul Abraham	5	Thomas P. Chacko 21
Sherly Johnson	5	Offer prayer and thanksgiving on
Miriya Sara Itty	5	June 21st, 2015
ThomasChacko	6	Abraham C. Mathai 22
Kurien P Issac	7	Roy C. Thomas 22
Stanley Thomas	7	Grace Money 22
Anu T. Lukose	7	Jamie Money 22
Thomas T. Chacko	7	Christina Mathew 24
Offer prayer and thanksgiving on		Ardra Mary Issac 25
June 7th, 2015		Ponnamma George 26
Noble Joseph Jacob	8	Mariamanna John 26
Mohan K. George	9	Jenny Anna Jose 26
Riya Susan Thomas	9	Moncy Varughese 27
Jenney Joji Mathew	10	Alisha A Andrews 28
Samuel V. Daniel	10	Keren A Kurian 28
Cherian Panavelil	10	Offer prayer and thanksgiving on
Binu Samuel	10	June 28th, 2015
Titus Cherian	10	Jenny V. Lukose 29
Angel C. Abraham	13	Anish Abraham 29
Beena Binny John	13	Lali B. Joseph 30
Jean T. George	14	Shawn K. Philip 30
Dana Philip	14	Offer prayer and thanksgiving on
Sosamma Abraham	14	July 12th, 2015
Boney S Joseph	14	

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES FOR JUNE

Rachel	& Jain P. George	4
Nita	& GeorgeK. George	6
Rachel	& Mathew P. George	7
Offer prayer and thanksgiving on June 7th, 2015		
Mini	& Philipose Cherian	8
Anchamma	& Mathews Philip	9
Binitha	& Roji Sam Koshy	11
Sayu	& Biju Chacko	11
Sherly	& Johnson Kaithara	11
Shereen	& Cherian M. George	14

Offer prayer and thanksgiving on June 14th, 2015

Mincy	& Manosh Abraham	15
Jyothi	& Philip Thomas	15
Princy	& Mithosh Abraham	17
Saram	& George Titus	18
Jasmine	& Anish T. Mammen	19

Offer prayer and thanksgiving on June 21st, 2015

Elizabeth	& Abraham Thomas	22
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Offer prayer and thanksgiving on June 28th, 2015

Rachel	& Thomas K. Varkey	29
Jolly	& Regi P George	29
Susan	& Saji K. David	30
Asha	& Jacob T. Joseph	30

Offer prayer and thanksgiving on July 12th, 2015

SUNDAY SCHOOL- IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, June 7th	Final Exam for the elementary & 11th- 12th
Saturday, June 20th	St John's MTC Sunday School Annual Competitions
Sunday, June 21st	final day of Sunday School.
Thurs, July 9th- Sun, 12th	Jr Sr Conference
Mon, July 20th- Fri, 24th (evenings)	VBS
Sunday, August 16th	Senior Graduation
Sunday, August 30th	Reopening day of Sunday School.
Sunday, September 13th	St John's MTC Sunday School Bible Quiz

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BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

On Behalf of St. John's family, let's congratulate John George and Anu Samuel of Pallibha-gaom Prayer group on the birth of their son, Gabriel Samuel George. May God bless the family.

Let us congratulate the Parents and Grand Mother Mrs. Leelamma Samuel.

CONDOLENCES.

On behalf of the St. John's MTC, we express our sincere condolences to Mr. Joy M. Samuel and Mrs. Jolly Jacob and family of New Hyde Park West area Prayer group on the demise of their brother Mr. Raju M. Varghese.

On behalf of the St. John's MTC, we express our sincere condolences to Mr. Denni Issac and family of Floral park area Prayer group on the demise of Mrs. Mariamma Varghese, Mother Mrs. Legi Issac

On behalf of the St. John's MTC, we express our sincere condolences to Mr. Cherish P. James and family of Elmont area Prayer group on the demise of Mr. Raju Varghese, Father of Mrs. Nisa Varghese

THANK YOU

Garden City prayer group parishioners and Mr. Mathew P. George for assisting with the church services and for preparing coffee for social time during the month of May

New Hyde Park West area prayer group will assist in the church services and social hour during the month of **June** and **New Hyde park East** area prayer will be assisting in **July**.

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Ginsey George 631-265-5730	Sunitha Abraham 917-699-4451
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Primary Juniors, GR. 2	Seniors, Grade 9
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Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"
John 11:25-26

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