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CHURCH OF SOUTH INDIA MALAYALAM CONGREGATION OF GREATER NEW YORK



Motto: Year of Spirituality

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Sunday Worship Service: 10:45 AM



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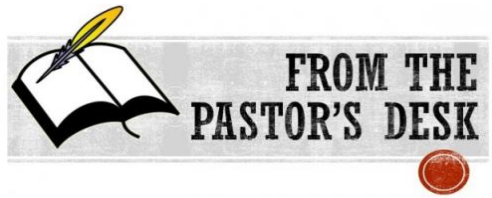
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My dear Children who are getting ready for School & Colleges,

I believe that each day you are enthusiastically packing your bags and rushing to your fun-filled School. For parents, it might be a tightrope timetable. Starting from preparing the Brunch, the jam-packed morning roads, afternoon picks up, then running to your office sometimes half-past the usual timing, visiting teachers on PTA and finally hearing the bully story from your child. But amidst all of this, please do remember to tell your children that ***“we have a compassionate God out there, who will rush to us, anytime”***.

While reading the New York Times best-selling book, ***“The Butterfly Effect” by Andy Andrews***, I came across a portion where the *life cycle and the transformation* of a butterfly was stunningly jolted as a miraculous phenomenon. To achieve this transformation, a butterfly has to pass through 4 stages such as from an egg, to a caterpillar, to a litter bigger chrysalis and finally an adult. *Who would dream that an overweight, slow-moving, crawling, leaf-chewing caterpillar, would one day transform into a flying, nectar-drinking, lively, gorgeous and mature butterfly?*

As you begin this new Academic Year, ***before you go to your School or College***, always ask God to transform you and use you as His vessel. Ask God to always help you to put your faith into practice and action. Ask God to transform you into a loving person, despite of your friend’s fickleness, gossiping and bad temper. If God can change a caterpillar into a butterfly, just visualize what God can do with you!

We look forward to seeing you at Church, EVEN IN YOUR VERY BUSY SCHEDULES!

Just like you, a Learner and a Student,

Robin achen

NEWS & EVENTS

ALMAYA SUNDAY

Almaya Fellowship Sunday was observed on Sunday, August 4th. Bishop of Bradwell (Church of England), the Rt. Rev. Dr. John Perumbalath delivered the sermon. Almaya Fellowship members took active part in the worship service on that day.

CSIDE OUT VOLLEYBALL INVITATIONAL

The Inter-Church Volleyball tournament hosted by our Church was held on Saturday, August 17th at SPORTIME Bethpage Multi-Sport Gym, Bethpage. Teams from 8 churches including our church participated in it. Grace Pentecostal Church, Philadelphia were the winners this year and Church of God, Queens were the runner-up.

Thanks to Convener, Mr. John M. David and Joint Convener, Mr. Linoy Simon for coordinating the event very well. Special thanks to all those who helped on and off the court, the members who sponsored the Cash Prizes, Trophies, Food, Jerseys etc. and also to those who prepared different kinds of food to sell on that day.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP BAKE SALE

Our Youth Fellowship conducted a Bake Sale on Sunday, August 25th. They had collected \$817 by selling various food items.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Mary Itticheria, 81 years, mother of Mr. Benny Itticheria (Douglaston, NY) was called to Eternal Home on Saturday, August 17th. Funeral was held on August 20th.

Mrs. Mary Itticheria was an active member of our church and was keen in supporting all the activities, especially the events hosted by our Women's Fellowship. Her selfless helping nature and soft voice will always be remembered.

Our heartfelt condolences to the grieving family. Please continue to uphold them in your prayers.

BIRTH

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Philip (New Hyde Park) are blessed with a baby girl, Zoe Mary Philip on Friday, August 23rd, 2019.

Congratulations Jerry & Mini !!

UPCOMING EVENTS

HARVEST FESTIVAL

We will host this year's Harvest Festival on Sunday, September 8th. Be prepared to bring your vegetables and other items for auction. All our members are requested to participate in the auction which will be held soon after the worship service.

CHURCH CONVENTION

The Annual Revival Convention of our church is scheduled for October 11 to 13 (Friday - Sunday). Evangelist Dr. George Cherian (Missions India, Thiruvalla) is the main speaker for this year's convention. Please plan early to attend this program without fail on all three days. Those who are interested to join the Convention Choir are requested to contact Mr. Thomas Paickattu.

COTTAGE PRAYER

There will be a Cottage Prayer at the residence of Mr. Shaji Jacob on Sunday, October 6th at 6.00 p.m.

(Address: 62 Keswick Lane, Plainview, NY 11803)

GEMS MEETING

GEMS will have their monthly meeting on Sunday, September 15th, right after our delicious Lunch. All our Young Couples and Young Adults are invited to this meeting.

LAITY FELLOWSHIP FRIDAY PRAYER

The Laity Fellowship Friday Prayer meeting will be held at the church on September 20th at 7.30 p.m.

REGION 1 & 2 WOMEN & LAITY RETREAT

Women & Laity Fellowship of CSI NA (Region 1 & 2) will have a One Day Retreat at CSI Jubilee Memorial Church, NY on Saturday October 12th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Guest Speaker and Quiz Master will be the Rev. K.I. Jose, Vicar of Salem Marthoma Church of Eastern Long Island. Quiz Competition will be based on the First Book of Samuel.

TELE PRAYER MEETINGS

Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m. – September 3, 10, 17, 24 & October 1

Tele-Conference Number: 605-468-8025 Access Code: 918802#

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Fellowship Bible Study will be held at the Church on September 4, 11, 18, 25 & October 2 at 9:30 a.m.

OTHER NEWS

VISITORS

- The Rt. Rev. Dr. John Perumbalath, Bishop of Bradwell, Church of England visited our congregation on Sunday, August 4th. The Bishop delivered the sermon and led the communion service on that day.
- The Rev. P.M. Thomas (Retired Marthoma Vicar, Williston Park, NY) visited our congregation on Sunday, August 25th and conducted the worship service in the absence of our vicar who was on vacation. Achen also delivered the sermon on that day.

SPECIAL COLLECTION

We are taking a special collection to support the family of Late Mr. Zachariah Thomas, who went to be with the Lord on July 28th. He was a non-member but used to attend our worship service occasionally with family. So far, we have collected \$11,641 (including promised amounts). Those who would like to contribute for this purpose are requested to contact Mr. Jophry Philip or Mr. Thomas M. Kunjummen.

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday!



September

03	Saramma Samuel	Garden City
04	Justin M. Mathew	New Hyde Park
04	Biju Joy	Syosset
08	Jimmy Joseph	Elmont
08	Jerry Joseph	Elmont
09	Preethy Mathew	Manhasset Hills
11	Marissa Mathew	Dix Hills
12	Praveen David	Flushing
12	Jeswin Samuel	Garden City
13	Vibin Mathew John	Elmont
16	Sosamma George	Deer Park
16	Rebecca Joy	Syosset

17	Binoy Daniel	Dix Hills
18	Jisha Samuel	Garden City
19	Mercy Jacob	East Meadow
19	Shibu Jacob	New Hyde Park
20	George David	Manhasset Hills
21	Dr. Saju Mathew	Manhattan
21	Jeffrey Thomas George	Staten Island
23	Sharon Sarah George	New Hyde Park
26	Sanjay Jacob	New Hyde Park
26	Rohin Saju Mathew	Manhattan
28	Jeffrey Kurian	Hicksville
29	George Muriyattil	New Hyde Park
29	Joann Elizabeth Koshy	Plainview
30	Thomas Abraham	New Hyde Park

October

06	Kevin Philip	Williston Park
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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Happy Anniversary!



September

07	Mr. & Mrs. Shaji Varghese	New Hyde Park
11	Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Chandy	Roslyn Heights
14	Mr. & Mrs. Jayan P. Kurian	Hicksville
15	Mr. & Mrs. Varughese Paul	Deer Park
19	Mr. & Mrs. George T. Mathew	Williston park

October

02	Mr. & Mrs. Abraham David	Floral Park
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September 8 **Thirteenth Sunday After Pentecost**
(English) **Choir Sunday & Harvest Festival**

Zephaniah 3: 14-20
Psalm 5
Colossians 3: 12-17

Luke 2: 22-39

Bible Bearer:

Offertory:

Elements:

Mr. Jophry Philip

Mr. Jayan P. Kurian

September 15
(Malayalam)

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost
God and People of all Faiths

Amos 9: 1-12

Mr. Jeswin Samuel

Psalm 66

Mr. Jeffrey Thomas George

Romans 2: 17-29

Ms. Marissa Mathew

John 10: 14-18

Bible Bearer:

Mr. Justin M. Mathew

Offertory:

Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Chandy

Elements:

Mr. Thomas M. Kunjummen

Mr. George David

September 22
(English)

Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
Peace in the Context of Violence

1Samuel 24: 1-12

Mrs. Mercy Jacob

Psalm 52

Mr. Sanjay Jacob

Romans 12: 14-21

Mr. Binoy Daniel

Matthew 5: 38-48

Bible Bearer:

Mr. Vibin Mathew John

Offertory:

Mr. & Mrs. Shaji Varghese

Elements:

Mr. Binchu John

Mr. Shabu Jacob Itty

September 27

Church of South India Formation Day
Unity in Service

Exodus 4: 27-31

Psalm 28

1 Corinthians 3: 1-15

John 17: 9-23

September 29
(Malayalam)**Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost**
Caring and Accepting the Elderly

Gen. 46: 28-34 & 47: 1-10
Psalm 21
1 Timothy 5: 1-10
Luke 2: 25-35

Mrs. Sosamma George
Ms. Sharon Sarah George
Mr. Shibu Jacob

Bible Bearer:
Offertory:
Elements:

Mr. George Muriyattil
Mr. & Mrs. Biju Joy
Mr. Oommen Kuruvilla
Mr. Thomas J. Paickattu

October 6
(Malayalam)**Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost**
Disability: Care and Honor

2 Samuel 9: 1-13
Psalm 146
Acts 9: 32-35
Mark 3: 1-6

Mrs. Aleyamma Mathews
Mr. Kevin Philip
Mr. Jeffrey Kurian

Bible Bearer:
Offertory:
Elements:

Mr. Jibu Koshy
Mr. & Mrs. Kizhakayil I. George
Mrs. Susan Ninan
Mrs. Rosie Thomas

**2019 Calendar**

January 01
January 4-6
February 02
February 17
February 23
February 24
March 01
March 03
March 06
March 09
March 17
March 30
March 31

New Year's Day Service
Youth Winter Retreat
Elected Officials Retreat
Annual General Body Meeting
Choir Retreat
Sunday School Mid-Term Exam
Women's Fellowship - Day of Prayer
Women's Fellowship Sunday
Ash Wednesday
Youth Winter Fellowship Meeting
Youth Bake Sale #1
Sunday School One Day Trip
Women's Fellowship Bake Sale #1

April 14	Palm Sunday/Sunday School Bake Sale #1
April 15-17	Passion Week Special Services
April 18	Maundy Thursday
April 19	Good Friday
April 20	GEMS Meeting
April 21	Easter / SS Piggy Bank Collection & Egg Hunt
April 27	Region 1&2 Almaya & W.F. Retreat
May 12	Mother's Day
May 19	S.S. Painting Competition/YF Bake Sale #2
May 25	Youth Spring Fellowship Meeting
May 31-June 2	Church Family Retreat – Spruce Lake, PA
June 09	S.S. Final Exam / W.F. Bake Sale #2
June 16	Mission Sunday / Father's Day
June 16	S.S. Memory Verse Competition / Election
June 22	Sunday School Annual Competitions
June 29	Church Picnic
July 11-13	V.B.S / Sunday School Anniversary
July 14	Mid-Year G.B. Meeting
July 21	Sunday School Graduation / Elder's Breakfast
July 25-28	CSI Family & Youth Conference
August 04	Laity Sunday
August 17	Inter Church Volleyball Tournament
August 18	Youth Fellowship Bake Sale #3
September 08	Harvest Festival / Choir Sunday
September 15	First Day of Sunday School
September 29	W.F. Bake Sale #3
October 05	Youth Fall Fellowship Meeting
October 11-13	Church Convention
October 13	Youth Sunday / Y.F. Bake Sale #4
October 18	All Night Prayer
October 20	Sunday School Operation Christmas Child
October 26	Church Family Night
November 02	Sunday School Fall Fest
November 09	Almaya-Women's Fellowship Get Together
November 10	Sunday School Sunday / S.S. Bake Sale #3
November 29	International Choir Fest / K.C.C. Performance
November 30	Youth Get Together
December 01	Thanksgiving Sunday
December 6,7,13,14,20	Christmas Carol Rounds
December 15	Legislative General Body Meeting
December 21	Christmas Carol Service/S.S. Program
December 22	Parish Day
December 25	Christmas Day

**CSI MALAYALAM CONGREGATION
OF GREATER NEW YORK, SEAFORD**

ANNUAL CONVENTION 2019

Date: October 11, 12, 13 (*Fri - Sun*)

Time: 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM (*Friday & Saturday*)
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM (*Sunday*)

Speaker:
Dr. George Cherian
(Missions India)



Hear the enlightening messages !!
Listen to the enchanting music !!!!

FIRST CLASS MAIL

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