



**ST. JOHN'S  
MAR THOMA CHURCH**  
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**Worship - Sunday 9:00 am | Sunday School - Sunday 12:00 pm**

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## MESSAGE FROM THE VICAR

Dearly Beloved in Christ,  
 "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands."— Psalm 19:1

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

The season of Pentecost reminds us that the Holy Spirit is a strengthening Spirit who commissions us for His witness in the world. He is a Spirit of authority and reconciliation, and He convicts the world concerning sin, righteousness, and judgment. This Spirit of truth leads us into the fullness of truth.

This month in the United States, we celebrate Father's Day. In the biblical understanding, a father is a leader, intercessor, and role model who encourages and inspires his family to grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. Ephesians 6:4 reminds us: "Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord."

This month, our church is also observing Environmental Sunday under the theme, "Creation Proclaims the Glory of God." This observance highlights the importance of God's providence over creation and our responsibility as stewards to protect and care for God's creation. It is our duty to take care of our planet and preserve it for future generations.

On a separate note, I encourage all parishioners to prayerfully participate in every aspect of our church's activities. Some of our members are currently experiencing important transitions in their lives, including bereavement, marriage, graduations, the birth of new babies, and moving to new homes. May God bless them and grant them the assurance of His providence during these times of transition. Let us pray and work together so that we may be led by the Holy Spirit toward the spiritual growth and development of our church and become willing instruments in the hands of God.  
 May God bless you all.

Yours in Christ's Service,  
 Rev. Biju P. Simon Achen - Vicar



## WORSHIP SCHEDULE FOR JUNE

### JUNE 7; HOLY QURBANA - MALAYALAM- 9:00 AM

#### Jesus: The Ultimate Influencer

1st Lesson	2Chr. 20:13-19	Mr. Mathew Varghese
2nd Lesson	Acts 18:24-28	Mrs. Mini Andrews
Epistle	Acts 2:36-41	Mr. Arun George
Gospel	John 8:12-20	

### JUNE 14; HOLY QURBANA -ENGLISH- 9:00 AM

#### Environment Sunday: Creation Speaks of God

1st Lesson	Job 12:7-12	Mr. Juby Cherian
2nd Lesson	Rev. 22:1-6	Mrs. Ginsey George
Epistle	Acts 14:11-18	Mr. David Anish
Gospel	Luke 12: 24-27	

### JUNE 21; HOLY QURBANA - MALAYALAM -9:00 AM

#### Worship: In God's presence, for God's purpose

1st Lesson	Isa 6:1-8	Mr. Shibu Mathew
2nd Lesson	Acts 2:42-47	Mrs. Omana John
Epistle	Phil 2:12-18	Mr. Sony Yohannan
Gospel	Mark 12:28-34	

### JUNE 28; HOLY QURBANA - ENGLISH- 9:00 AM

#### Risen Lord; The co-traveler

1st Lesson	Dan 1:8-21	Mr. Romauld Mathews
2nd Lesson	Col 3:1-11	Mrs. Sohbha Sanu
Epistle	1Pet 1:13-25	Mr. Charles Abraham
Gospel	Mark 5:1-20	

## CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

### SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Tuesdays; 10:00 AM	Health & Rec. Prog. @ Church
Prayer Meeting Thursday, June 4 at 10 AM	Lilly & C. V. Simonkuty 76 4th Avenue, Garden City Park
Sunday, June 7 at 5 pm	At Church

### SEVIKA SANGHOM

Thursdays; 10:00 AM	Prayer Meetings at Church
Thursday, June 4 at 10 AM	Lilly & C. V. Simonkutty 76 4th Avenue, Garden City Park

### EDAVAKA MISSION

Fridays; at 7:30 PM	Prayer Meetings at Church
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### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays; 12:30 PM	Assembly & Grade Level Classes
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### YOUNG FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

June 28; 12:30 PM	At church; after Sunday School
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### YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

June 19; 6:30 PM	Jaime & Grace Moncy 385 Lucille Avenue, Elmont
June 17 & 24 @ 7:30 PM	At Jason Achen's parsonage

### YUVAJANA SAKHYAM

Sunday, June 21 after the Holy Communion	At Church Host: Flemy & Sony Yohannan
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## CONDOLENCES

- \* Heartfelt condolences to Raju Varghese (Elmont & Franklin Square) on the passing of his elder sister, Mrs. Aleyamma Mathai
- \* Heartfelt condolences to Mr. Abraham Varkey (Palli Bhagom) and family at the passing away of his mother Mrs. Mariamma Varkey
- \* Heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Pexi Mariam Mathai (Eastern Long Island) at the passing away of her father, Mr. K. T. Thomas

## AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

BELLEROSE	EASTERN LONG ISLAND
<b>Saturday, June 6 at 5:00 PM</b> Thankam & Varughese P. Abraham 82-65 248th Street, Bellerose	<b>Saturday, June 27 at 5:00 PM</b> Date and location to be announced
ELMONT & WEST HEMPSTEAD	FLORAL PARK & GLEN OAKS
<b>Sunday, June 14 at 7:00 PM</b> Nisa & Cherish James 207 Lucille Avenue, Elmont	<b>Sunday, June 21 at 6:00 PM</b> Jesy and Raju Lukose 77-10 262 Street, Floral Park
GARDEN CITY PARK	NEW HYDE PARK EAST
<b>Sunday, June 7 at 5:00 PM</b> Rachel & Mathew P. George 90-37 213 Street, Queens Village	<b>Saturday, June 13 at 7:00 PM</b> Meea & John K. Oommen 9 Oak Lane, New Hyde Park
NEW HYDE PARK WEST	PALLI BHAGOM
<b>Sunday, June 28 at 7:00 PM</b> Annie & Samuel Thomas 225 Brooklyn Ave., New Hyde Park	<b>Saturday, June 20 at 7:00 PM</b> No prayer meeting in June

### Notes from Jason Achen.

#### **Authenticity Retreat**

The Biblical Wellness Retreat for young adults (ages 21 and older), centered on the theme "Authenticity," was held from May 28-31, 2026, at Camp of the Woods in Speculator. We thank our beloved Paulos Thirumeni and Joel Achen and family for gracing us with their presence.

#### **NERYF Fifth Sunday Holy Qurbana**

We thank St. Andrew's Mar Thoma Church for graciously hosting the NERYF Fifth Sunday Holy Qurbana on May 31, 2026. We are grateful to Rev. Christopher Phil Daniel for celebrating the Holy Qurbana and to Mr. Robin Varughese for sharing the message. We also extend our sincere appreciation to all the parents, volunteers, families, and youth who participated and contributed to making this gathering a blessed time.

## St. John's Basketball Fellowship

*And Give all Glory to God*

**June 26 at 7 pm**

Lakeville Elementary School  
47-27 Jayson Avenue, Great Neck

## YOUTH CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

**Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit - One True God! Amen.**



Beloved family in Christ,  
By God's grace, we have journeyed through the celebrations of Easter, Ascension, and Pentecost. During these holy days, we reflected on Christ's victory over death, His ascension into heaven, and the gift of the Holy Spirit. Through worship, prayer, and service, many of us experienced spiritual renewal and a deeper connection with God.

As we begin the Apostles' Fast, we continue that journey. This Lenten season is more than a period of being without; it is an opportunity to follow the example of the Holy Apostles. After receiving the Holy Spirit, they devoted themselves to Christ and boldly shared the Gospel with the world.

As we reflect on their witness, let us ask ourselves: How am I responding to God's call? Am I growing closer to Christ and allowing Him to shape my daily life? Does my life reflect the fruit of the Spirit or is it driven by the flesh?

The Apostles' Fast reminds us that faith is not limited to Sundays or special occasions. Through fasting and prayer, we learn to depend more fully on God and draw nearer to Him. We are also called to share His love with those around us, offering encouragement, compassion, and support wherever we can.

The Apostles did not keep the Good News to themselves. They lived as faithful witnesses of Christ, and we are called to do the same. Whether in our homes, workplaces, schools, or communities, may our lives reflect the hope and peace that Christ has given us.

As we walk through this season together, may the Holy Spirit strengthen us and deepen our commitment to Christ. Let us use this time to renew our faith, grow in holiness, and become more faithful disciples.

Let us remember the words of our Lord:

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:35) May this month bring us into a closer relationship with Christ and inspire us to follow Him more faithfully each day. God bless us all!

Prayerfully, JVarghese Achen

## BIRTHDAYS IN JUNE

Elizabeth Abraham	1	Delwin P. Cherish	20
Susan K. Abraham	1	Jacob T. Thomas	20
Ezekiel K. Abraham	1	Annie Titus	20
Mathew George	1	Chacko Varughese	20
Joji Mathew	1	Renae N. Abraham	21
Shibu Mathew	1	Thomas P. Chacko	21
Sosamma Thomas	2	Jaimmy Elsa Joji	21
Blessymol Daniel	4	<b>Offer Prayer on June 21</b>	
Alexander P. Eapen	4		
Ryan Jacob	4		
Miraje T. John	4	Grace Moncy	22
Alicia S. Lukose	4	Jamie Moncy	22
Jeevan Simon	4	Chris Samuel Sam	22
Tena Thomas	4	Roy C. Thomas	22
Ninan Abraham	5	Gimmy M. Abraham	23
Paul Abraham	5	Madison Liz Abraham	23
Miriya Sara Itty	5	Jolwin P. Cherish	23
Sherly Johnson	5	Joshua Reju John	23
Thomas Chacko	6	Christina Mathew	24
Thomas T. Chacko	7	Johnykutty Pappachen	24
Rinny Jacob Chacko	7	Reji Mathew	25
<b>Offer prayer on June 7</b>		Ponnamma George	26
		Chris Rinny Jacob	26
		Mariamamma John	26
		Moncy Varughese	27
		Alisha Anil Andrews	28
		Keren Anna Kurian	28
		<b>Offer Prayer on June 28</b>	
		Jenny V. Lukose	29
		Lali B. Joseph	30
		Shawn K. Philip	30
		Nithin V. Sabu	30
		<b>Offer Prayer on July 5</b>	

Noble Joseph Jacob	8
Mohan K. George	9
Sony Saji	9
Titus Cherian	10
Jenney Joji Mathew	10
Cherian Panavelil	10
Binu Samuel	10
Angel C. Abraham	13
Beena Binny John	13
Sosamma Abraham	14
Jean T. George	14
Boney Simon Joseph	14
Dana Philip	14
<b>Offer Prayer on June 14</b>	

Alicekutty Alexander	15
Sona K. Philip	15
Anju K. Abraham	16
Dawson Luke Anish	17
Biju Lukose	17
Shibi Binu	18
Chacko Zachariah	18
Romuald P. Mathews	19
Berlyn Stanley	19
Mintu E Thomas	19



## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES IN JUNE

Rachel & Jain P. George 4  
 Nita & George K. George 6  
 Rachel & Mathew P. George 7

**Offer Prayer on June 7**

Beena & Jain Thomas Joseph 10  
 Sherly & Johnson Kaithara 11  
 Sayu & Biju Chacko 11  
 Binitha & Roji Sam Koshy 11  
 Shereen & Cherian M. George 14

**Offer Prayer on June 14**

Jyothi & Philip Thomas 15  
 Mincy & Manosh Abraham 15  
 Princy & Mithosh Abraham 17  
 Valsamma & Thomas John 18  
 Shaba & Blessen George 18  
 Liya & Austin Sanu 18  
 Saram & Titus George 18  
 Marybeth & Jerryl Abraham 21

**Offer Prayer on June 21**

Elizabeth & Abraham Thomas 22  
 Shelby & Cherian Bobby Elanjickal 25  
 Blessley & Tobin T Abraham 26  
 Teena & Noble Philip 27

**Offer Prayer on June 28**

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

**Offer Prayer on July 5**



## CONGRATULATIONS

**Congratulations to Kyla and Jean George  
 (Floral Park & Glen Oaks prayer group)  
 on the birth of their son,**

**Augustus Michael George,**

**on June 1 at 3:43 PM**

**Also congratulations to grandparents Lincy & Eapen K. George and  
 brother Elijah**

**Welcome to the new additions to the St. John's family**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### PROGRAMS FOR THE YEAR

DATE	DAY	PROGRAM
<b>June 6</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday School Talent Competition; Local</b>
June 7	Sunday	Special Sunday Offertory Collection
June 7	Sunday	Opening of the School Year
June 14	Sunday	Environmental Sunday
June 21	Sunday	Father's Day; Happy Father's Day
<b>July 4</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Independence Day</b>
July 15-17	Wed.-Fri.	Vacation Bible School
July 23-26	Thurs.-Sun.	Diocesan Youth Fellowship Conference; Philadelphia
July 25	Saturday	Church Picnic at Eisenhower Park
<b>August 6-9</b>	<b>Thurs.-Sun.</b>	<b>Junior Senior Conference @ St. John's Univ.</b>
August 9	Sunday	College bound students dedication
August 14-16	Fri.-Sun.	Diocesan Yuvajana Sakhyam Conference
August 20-23	Thurs.-Sun.	Diocesan MTVE Conference
August 29	Saturday	Harvest Lunch by Yuvajana Sakhyam
August 30	Sunday	Harvest Auction—All prayer groups
<b>Sept. 6</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>School going students dedication</b>
Sept. 6	Sunday	First day of Sunday School
Sept. 10-13	Thurs.-Sun	Parish Convention
Sept. 13	Sunday	Sevika Sanghom Day
Sept. 13	Sunday	Yuvajana Sakhyam Food Sale
Sept. 20	Sunday	Senior Citizen's Day
Sept. 26	Saturday	Harmony; hosted by Choir
Sept. 26	Saturday	Regional Talent Festival at St. Thomas MTC
Oct. 1-4	Thur.-Sun.	Diocesan Sevika Sanghom Conference
Oct. 4	Sunday	Edavaka Mission/ MTVA Sunday
Oct. 9-11	Fri-Sun.	Regional Convention
Oct. 24	Saturday	St. John's Family Night
Oct. 25	Sunday	Family Sunday

# SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

**SUPERINTENDENT: Mathew Eapen - P: 516-852-4817**

Nursery		Grade 6	
Christine Thomas	516-713-2725	Jaisy Mathew	347-666-5505
Gina George	917-400-3562	Ritchie Philip	707-901-7771
Kindergarten		Grade 7	
Melini Valle	347-933-2470	Suby Mathew	516-661-8168
Jeron Chacko	917-868-1379	Nigel Oommen	516-800-7104
Grade 1		Grade 8	
Ginsey George	631-619-6869	Teena Mathew	516-578-2966
Joash Mathew	516-450-7301	Jessy Lukose	917-612-1913
Grade 2		Grade 9	
Ann Saji	516-849-9523	Anchi Mathews	516-469-1526
Sneha Saj	516-424-6558	Hema Sam	646-291-9246
Jerry Joseph	516-360-6663		
Grade 3		Grade 10	
Rachel Philip	516-326-2629	Bently Joseph	516-643-4212
Noel Oommen	516-998-6443	Binu Daniel	917-597-6630
Grade 4		Grade 11	
Rena Titus	201-370-6697	Alex Abraham	516-637-0154
Lizi Mathew	516-426-0377	Charles Abraham	212-408-1779
		Shiby Trigy	914-482-1238
Grade 5		Grade 12	
Leena Abraham	917-817-5115	Philip Varghese	718-347-2709
Bijoy Abraham	347-833-9813	Binu Chacko	347-262-8211
		Ashish Abraham	516-554-1947
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Mereen Zacharia	516-528-2854		

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