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2024 Family Talent Night

FROM THE VICAR'S DESK



"The greatest discovery of my generation is that a human being can alter his life by altering his attitude." - William James

"Fear not, for I am with you; be not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you, yes, I will help you, I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." Isaiah: 41:10

Dear church members,

Thank you for your unwavering prayers and support for all the church activities. I also would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to the office bearers and executive committee members for their dedication and sacrifice to develop the spiritual and physical atmosphere of the church. Furthermore, I would like to thank all the office bearers and executive committee members for the new year. May the almighty God help you to function as per his will.

As we enter into a new year, different emotions come into our lives. Fear is the most powerful one and it will surface in our daily life in so many forms and the fabric of life can be disrupted.

When we are unaware of anything, we will be dismayed, and the crystals of fear will be formed in our emotions so that our lives in turn change into a monument.

Fear can paralyze our thoughts and actions. It's a self-imposed prison that will keep us from self-actualization and God's intention about our lives. A perfect faith would lift us absolutely above fear.

Make fear only visitors in our lives and not a resident. When fear builds its power over us; it shackles our hands and keeps us from doing the routine things in life. We give in to the slavery of terror. As Mark Twain once said, "Courage isn't the absence of fear, but mastery of it; it's the place where fear and faith meet". As believers in the risen Christ, we can and we should, live courageously. Jesus promises us that He has overcome the world and that He has made a place for us in heaven. So, we have nothing to fear because our Lord will care for us throughout eternity.

When we focus on our fears and doubts, we may find many reasons to live as a disturbed person. A better strategy is focusing not on our fears but on our God. God's power is always great enough for our desperation. Psalm: 23:4 "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me".

Warren Wiersbe has mentioned, "It is good to remind ourselves that the will of God comes from the heart of God and that we need not be afraid". The Lord is as near as your next breath and is in control. God is our shield and our strength. Trust God's plan and His eternal love for us. Alter our attitude new awareness and lead a pleasant faith life, anchored on the rock of salvation -Jesus Christ.

I request your wholehearted participation and help in all activities of the church and assure you a blessed spiritual journey in the upcoming days. More than that, I wish you a blessed New Year. May the Almighty Lord fill out our lives with eternal hope and peace.

Thank you & Prayers,
Josy Achen

YOUTH CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

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

Dearly beloved in Christ,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As we step into a new year, it's a chance for new goals, fresh starts, and a renewed connection with God. Let's make it a priority to walk closer with Him, allowing His purpose for our lives to shape us into a blessing for those around us. I pray that the Almighty Lord fills your year with joy, growth, and His unending grace for you and your family.

We all strive to grow in every part of life, but progress doesn't just happen—it requires focus and commitment. Life often revolves around five key actions: **thinking, working, loving, worshipping, and prayer.** When these are balanced, we find deeper meaning, appreciation, and fulfillment in the life God has blessed us with.

Think deeply.

"Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." (Philippians 4:8) Our thoughts shape our actions, and our actions shape our future. Positive, focused, and faith-driven thoughts make us stand apart in a world full of distractions. Let's take time to reflect and choose wisely in all we do.

Work passionately.

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters." (Colossians 3:23) Hard work and persistence help us grow mentally, physically, and spiritually. Don't be afraid to step out of your comfort zone or pursue your dreams—your effort, when aligned with God's plan, will bear fruit.

Love authentically.

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you

must love one another." (John 13:34) Everyone craves love, but real love comes when we let go of grudges and stop being overly critical of others. Instead, look for the good in people, and show them appreciation and kindness. Love isn't just an emotion; it's an action, modeled by Jesus Himself, who calls us to love truthfully and selflessly.

Worship genuinely.

At our core, we're designed to connect with God. Worship, prayer, and time spent with Him are more than rituals—they're a lifestyle that brings peace and purpose.

"Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks." (John 4:23) As St. Augustine beautifully said, *"You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You."* Make time to worship and watch how it transforms the way you live.

Pray ceaselessly.

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18) Prayer is not just about asking for things; it's about building a deeper relationship with God. Even when there are no specific requests, pray to thank Him for His goodness, to seek His will, and to simply spend time in His presence. Prayer strengthens our spirit and keeps us connected to the One who holds everything in His hands.

This year let's commit to making these five actions—thinking, working, loving, worshipping, and praying ceaselessly—part of our everyday lives. When we align our lives with Christ, we don't just find success; we find meaning.

May God bless you abundantly in this new year and guide you toward His amazing plans for your life!

Yours in His service,
JVarghese Achen

OUTGOING SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Dear Parish members,

At the outset, let me thank all the members of Long Island Mar Thoma Church for entrusting me with the divine responsibility to serve as the Secretary of the Parish during the last one year in 2024. I tried my level best to provide you with the services in the capacity of the Secretary. All of you have given me unconditional & unlimited support, love, & care to execute all responsibilities entrusted upon me.

Let me express my sincere gratitude to all of you for your valuable support and cooperation during the past one year. I was lucky enough to work with two Vicars at the same time. Rev. Shaji Kochummen Achen was very helpful and he guided me to perform the duties in a perfect manner. The current vicar Rev. Josy Achen is also very helpful to guide me in all aspects.

Now Dr. Ron Jacob is the Secretary for 2025. Please extend him all your support and care to run the activities of the Parish smoothly.

WISHING YOU ALL THE VERY BEST TO HAVE A BLESSED NEW YEAR,

With Sincere Thanks & Prayers,
Mathewkutty Easow,
Secretary 2024, LIMTC.

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Dear LIMTC Members,

I was 8 years old when Long Island Mar Thoma Church was formed in 1987. Only a handful of members were blessed to have grown up in this church and were entrusted with the opportunity to serve as parish secretaries. That's what makes this opportunity even more special.

Over all these years, I have witnessed the arduous work of numerous parish secretaries, many of whom inspired me to take on this role. Their dedication and commitment are to be commended.

The 2025 Executive Committee comprises a remarkable group of individuals representing all demographics of our parish. An incredible fifteen of the twenty-six members have served as Office Bearers for LIMTC! Having this kind of experience and knowledge is a blessing and I look forward to serving alongside each member.

A special thanks to Mathewkutty Easow and Jibi Mathew who have been tremendous during this transition period. Roy Uncle and Jibi have served as the parish secretary twice and I am grateful for their experience and immense support.

I'm certain I will make mistakes over the next year in my new role, but I seek your prayers and grace as I take on this responsibility.

Best wishes & Happy New Year!

Ron

OUTGOING TRUSTEES' CLOSING NOTE

Dearly beloved in Christ:

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

As we started thinking about this note to express our sincere thanks to Vicar, Office Bearers, Executive Committee Members and Parish Members, a lot of memories came to our minds. We never thought of or dreamt that we would serve three continuous years. However, we were chosen to do this as we believe that this was God's plan and purpose.

Cherian Kovoor and I take this opportunity to thank and appreciate each one of you for your excellent support, help, and guidance during our tenure as your Trustees over the last three years.

We have tried to accomplish the best we can, and we know there is much more to do. The priority for us has been to get everyone together as a team, and to train and nurture the younger generation to take over more responsibilities in the coming years.

A mention of the Life of Paul

Saint Paul, one of the most frequently mentioned figures in history, whose writings are read by millions every day, is little known to this generation as a person. The name of Saint Paul the Apostle is familiar to all Christians, and to most Jews and Moslems. He is quoted, argued about, attacked and defended. Yet even those who read his words and adventures with unflinching regularity have scant idea of what he was like. It is important to note that unless you comprehend the nature of Apostle Paul, and become a person like Apostle Paul, there won't be any Timothy or Luke!

We fondly recall the good times we had with the previous Vicar Shaji

Achen for three years, and the current Vicar Josy Achen for the last eight months. The transition was an easy one for us, though there was a lot of work. We greatly enjoyed it.

As we bid goodbye and go back to our regular daily walks of life, we are excited to see the team's growth and the growth of the parish. Our God has been good.

Wishing you and your family members a wonderful Christmas and a happy and blessed new year.

With love and prayers,

Kurien Thomas
Treasurer 2024

Cherian Kovoov
Accountant 2024

TRUSTEES' MESSAGE

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

We express our heartfelt gratitude to the LIMTC parish for entrusting us with the opportunity to serve as your trustees for the year 2025. It is an honor and a humbling responsibility to care for the Church of God, as the Apostle Paul reminds us in Acts 20:28:

"Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which He obtained with His own blood."

With prayerful hearts, we humbly seek your continued prayers, guidance, and support as we step into this role. Together, may we work for the glory of God and the growth of our parish.

We take this moment to express our deepest gratitude to Mr. Kurien Thomas and Mr. Cherian Kovoor for their unwavering dedication and exceptional service to LIMTC over the past three years. Their tireless efforts, commitment, and vision have brought about numerous achievements for the betterment of our parish. We sincerely thank them for their hard work and pray for God's continued blessings upon them and their families.

As we look ahead, we are excited about the journey before us and pledge to serve with humility and faithfulness. Your prayers and support will be our greatest encouragement.

Jibi Mathew
Treasurer

Mathai Thomas
Accountant

SCHEDULED SERVICES & MEETINGS

Below is the list of scheduled worship services, organization, & area prayer meetings. Contact Achen, me, or the organization representative for more information. The schedule is subject to change.

Scheduled Services & Meetings		
Day	Time	Worship/ Meetings
All Sundays	8:30 - 9:45 AM	Sunday School
1 st Sundays	10 AM	Holy Communion - English
2 nd Sundays	10 AM	Holy Communion - Malayalam
	10 AM	Contemporary English Divine Service
3 rd Sundays	10 AM	Holy Communion - English
	12:15 - 1:30 PM	Young Families Fellowship Meeting
4 th Sundays	10 AM	Holy Communion - Malayalam
	10 AM	Contemporary English Divine Service
	12:30 - 1:30 PM	Yuvajana Sakhyam Cottage Prayer Meeting
All Tuesdays	7:00 – 8:00 PM	Sevika Sanghom Meeting via Zoom
2 nd Wednesdays	4:00 – 5:30 PM	Senior Fellowship Meeting
3 rd Wednesdays	8:00 - 9:00 PM	Parish Bible Study - Coordinated by YFF
4 th Wednesdays	4:00 – 5:30 PM	Senior Fellowship Meeting
All Thursdays	7:00 – 8:00 PM	Edavaka Mission Meeting via Zoom
All Fridays	10:00 – 11:30 AM	Friday Prayer Fellowship
1 st Fridays	7:00 - 9:00 PM	Youth Fellowship Meeting
3 rd Fridays	7:00 - 9:00 PM	Youth Fellowship Meeting
All Saturdays	9:00 – 10:00 AM	Yoga & Meditation
2 nd Saturdays	10:00 – 12:00 PM	Sevika Sanghom Meeting – In Person

Area Prayer Meetings			
Date	Time	Area Prayer Group	Host & Address
Sunday, January 19th	5:00 PM	B	Roni & Blessy Mathew LIMTC 2350 Merrick Avenue Merrick, NY 11566 516-312-7541
Sunday, January 26th	6:00 PM	G	Thomas (Sibi) & Bindhu David 44 Porter Place Glen Cove, NY 11542 917-353-1242

ORGANIZATION NEWS, PARISH EVENTS & UPDATES

CHOIR

English & Malayalam Choir practices will be held before or after Holy Communion Service. Please contact the respective choir leaders for further information.

EDAVAKA MISSION

Weekly meetings are scheduled for Thursdays from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM using the church Zoom link.

There will be a North East Regional Mar Thoma Volunteer Evangelists' Association meeting on Saturday, February 1st at 9 AM at our church.

Great Lent Prayer Meetings are being planned and scheduled. Please contact the leaders of the organization for further information.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP

Meetings are scheduled for the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM in person at the church. The next meetings will be:

January 15th and 29th

February 12th & 26th

March 12th & 26th

Yoga & Meditation classes are scheduled for Saturdays from 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM in person at the church. This is open to all church members. Please contact the leaders of the organization for further information.

SEVIKA SANGHOM

Weekly meetings are scheduled for Tuesdays from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM using the church Zoom link.

Monthly meetings are scheduled for the 2nd Saturdays from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM in person at the church. Please contact the leaders of the organization for further information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School begins at 8:30 AM every Sunday with worship. All parents are requested to bring their children on time.

A Teachers Training is scheduled for Sunday, February 2nd at 12:30 PM at the church. All the teachers are expected to attend.

The Sunday School Midterm exam is scheduled for Sunday, February 9th. Please contact your child's teacher for more information.

There will be no Sunday School on March 30th due to the 5th Sunday Service at St. James MTC. If your child is of Youth Fellowship age, please ensure they attend this special service. Please contact the leaders of the organization for further information.

YOUNG FAMILIES FELLOWSHIP

Monthly meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Sundays at 12:15 PM.

A Bible study is coordinated by the YFF and scheduled for the 3rd Wednesdays from 8:00 PM – 9:00 PM using the church Zoom link. This is open to all church members.

Young Families Fellowship Sunday will be celebrated on February 16th. All YFF members are requested to participate and attend. Please contact the leaders of the organization for further information.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Meetings are scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Fridays at 7 PM.

Please read Jason Achen's message earlier in the newsletter for more regional activity information.

North East Regional Youth Fellowship is coordinating a 5th Sunday Holy Communion at St. James MTC on February 30th. All YF members are requested to attend. There will be no Sunday School on this day. Please contact the leaders of the organization for further information.

YUVAJANA SAKHYAM

Monthly cottage prayer meetings are scheduled for the 4th Sundays at 12:30 PM.

The next meeting will be on:

Sunday, January 18th at 6 PM at the residence of
Noel & Carolene George
2998 Ruth Road
Wantagh, NY 11792

Please contact the leaders of the organization for further information.

CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH DIVINE SERVICE

Every 2nd and 4th Sunday from 10:00 AM – 11:15 AM the service takes place in the parish auditorium concurrently with the Malayalam Holy Communion in the sanctuary.

This service is to ensure there are worship services in English every Sunday. Please extend an invitation to everyone you know who may be interested. Please contact the English Lay Leader or YFF for further information.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, NEW MEMBERS

Updates will be included in the next newsletter.

WORSHIP SERVICE COORDINATION

The Vicar and parish members thank the 2024 Area Prayer Group Representatives for coordinating the Holy Communion Service responsibilities this past year. They scheduled prayer meetings and were critical in finding lay leaders, lesson readers, and individuals to collect the offering. They also supported the trustees as needed with the snack distribution. The following groups and representatives are responsible for the first quarter:

January	Prayer Group C	Biju Samuel	516-603-6657 (c) biju2@msn.com
February	Prayer Group D	Sicity Joseph	631-813-7189 (c) josephsicity@yahoo.com
March	Prayer Group E	Akash Isaac	631-565-4231 (c) issacakash@yahoo.com

LECTIONARY

Date	Theme	1st & 2nd Lessons	Epistle Gospel
1/5/2025	Mission outside Kerala: Jesus who sends for mission	Exod 3:1-17 Acts 16:6-15	Rom 10:9-17 Luke 10:1-11
1/12/2025	The God of Peace	Mic 4:1-7 Rom 5:1-11	Eph 2:11-19 Matt 5:1-9
1/19/2025	Ecumenical Sunday: The Church that needs to be one in Christ	Zech 8:18-23 1Cor 1:10-18	Col 3:9-17 John 17:13-23

1/26/2025	Republic Day: Christian witness in the public sphere	Amos 5:18-27 1Pet 3:14-18	Col 4:2-6 Luke 3:7-14
2/2/2025	Medical Mission Sunday: Jesus who gives complete healing, Our Lord's entrance to the Temple	2Kgs 20:1-11 Heb 9:11-14	James 5:13-18 Mark 5:25-34
2/9/2025	Beginning of the 130th Session of Maramon Convention, God's Sublime Creation	Isa 40:12-26 Rom 8:19-25	Col 1:15-20 Matt 6:26-30
2/16/2025	Conclusion of the 130th Session of the Maramon Convention, Abundant life through the experience of the Kingdom of God	Isa 11:1-9 Eph 3:16-21	1Cor 1:4-9 John 4:4-15
2/23/2025	Reorganisation of life to experience the Kingdom of God	Ezek 36:24-31 Eph 4:17-24	1Pet 2:1-10 Luke 19:1-10
3/2/2025	Beginning of the Great Lent: Jesus who transforms everything	Deut 30:1-10 Rev 21:1-8	Rom 12:1-3 John 2:1-11

3/9/2025	Jesus Christ who holds together the neglected (Second Sunday of the Lent)	Jer 33:6-11 Phlm 1:8-21	James 4:7-10 Mark 1:40-45
3/16/2025	Jesus Christ who gives healing and redemption from sin (Third Sunday of the Lent)	2Kgs 5:1-14 Acts 16:16-18	Rom 5:6-11 Mark 2:1-12
3/23/2025	Jesus Christ who makes redemption possible for everyone (Fourth Sunday of the Lent)	Hos 2:14-23 Acts 5:12-16	1Cor 1:18-25 Matt 15:21-28
3/30/2025	Jesus Christ who grants the fullness of humanity (Fifth Sunday of the Lent)	Isa 66:12-15 Rom 3:23-31	1Pet 1:18-25 Luke 13:10-17

TENTATIVE 2025 CALENDAR

Month/Day	Date	Time	Event
January			
Thursday - Sunday	1/2/2025 - 1/5/2025	ALL DAY	Diocesan Youth Leadership Conference
Sunday	1/5/2025	10 AM	Dedication of 2025 Executive Committee English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	1/5/2025	5 PM	St Thomas Ecumenical Federation of North America Christmas & New Year Celebration
Sunday	1/12/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Sunday	1/19/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	1/26/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
February			
Saturday	2/1/2025	9 AM	NERMTVEA Meeting
Sunday	2/2/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	2/2/2025	12 PM	Sunday School Teacher's Training
Sunday	2/9/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Sunday School Midterm

Sunday - Sunday	2/9/2025 – 2/16/2025		Maramon Convention
Sunday	2/16/2025	10 AM	Young Families Fellowship Sunday English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	2/23/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
March			
Sunday	3/2/2025	10 AM	Diocesan Sunday - Pulpit Exchange First Day of Great Lent Malayalam Holy Communion Service
Sunday	3/9/2025	10 AM	Women's World Day of Prayer LIMTC Celebration of Women Leaders English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	3/16/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	3/23/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Sunday	3/30/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service
April			
Sunday	4/6/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service

Saturday	4/12/2025	9 AM	Spring Fest - Sunday School
Sunday	4/13/2025	10 AM	Palm Sunday Malayalam Holy Communion Service
Monday	4/14/2025	7 PM	Passion Week - Malayalam
Tuesday	4/15/2025	7 PM	Passion Week - Malayalam
Wednesday	4/16/2025	7 PM	Passion Week - Malayalam
Thursday	4/17/2025	7 PM	Maundy Thursday Service - Malayalam
Friday	4/18/2025	9 AM	Good Friday Service Part 1 & 2 - Malayalam Part 3 - English
Saturday	4/19/2025	ALL DAY	Spring One Day Youth Conference
Sunday	4/20/2025	10 AM	Easter Sunday English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	4/27/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Sendoff meeting - Rev. George Abraham & Family Sunday School Final Exam
May			
Sunday	5/4/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	5/11/2025	10 AM	Mother's Day Malayalam Holy Communion Service S.S Diocesan Exam

Sunday	5/18/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	5/25/2025	10 AM	DSMC Sunday Malayalam Holy Communion Service
June			
Sunday	6/1/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	6/8/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Saturday	6/14/2025	9 AM	Talent Fest - Sunday School
Saturday	6/14/2025	TBD	Combined Mothers & Father's Day Celebration
Sunday	6/15/2025	10 AM	Father's Day English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	6/22/2025	8:30 AM	Sunday School Graduation/End of Year
Sunday	6/22/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service
Sunday	6/29/2025	10 AM	Contemporary English Divine Service
July			
Thursday - Sunday	7/3/2025 - 7/6/2025	ALL DAY	Diocesan Family Conference
Sunday	7/6/2025	TBD	TBD
Thursday - Sunday	7/10/2025 - 7/13/2025	ALL DAY	NERSS Jr/Sr Conference

Sunday	7/13/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Wednesday - Sunday	7/16/2025 - 7/20/2025	ALL DAY	VBS
Sunday	7/20/2025	10 AM	Parish Day & VBS Closing Ceremony English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	7/27/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Thursday - Sunday	7/31/2025 - 8/3/2025	ALL DAY	Diocesan Youth Conference
August			
Sunday	8/3/2025	10 AM	New Academic Year Dedication Graduates Recognition English Holy Communion Service
Saturday	8/9/2025	8 AM	Parish Picnic
Sunday	8/10/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Saturday	8/16/2025	4:30 PM	LIMTC Founder's Celebration
Sunday	8/17/2025	10 AM	First Communion Service English Holy Communion Service

Sunday	8/24/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Sunday	8/31/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion
September			
Sunday	9/7/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	9/7/2025	12:30 PM	Sunday School Teacher's Training
Sunday	9/14/2025	10 AM	Sevika Sanghom Sunday First Day of Sunday School English Holy Communion Service
Thurs - Saturday	9/18/2025 - 9/20/2025	7 PM	Parish Convention
Sunday	9/21/2025	10 AM	Senior Citizen's Sunday Parish Convention Harvest Festival English Holy Communion Service
Saturday	9/27/2025	ALL DAY	NERSS Regional Talent Fest (Tentative)
Sunday	9/28/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
October			
Saturday	10/4/2025	ALL DAY	NERSS Regional Talent Fest (Tentative)

Sunday	10/5/2025	10 AM	Edavaka Mission Sunday Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Saturday	10/11/2025	9 AM	Sunday School Fall Fest
Sunday	10/12/2025	10 AM	Yuvajana Sakhyam Sunday Malayalam Holy Communion Service
Sunday	10/19/2025	10 AM	Youth Fellowship Sunday English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	10/26/2025	10 AM	Family Sunday English Holy Communion Service
November			
Sunday	11/2/2025	10 AM	World Sunday School Day Sunday School Anniversary English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	11/9/2025	10 AM	Unity Sunday Malayalam Holy Communion Service
Sunday	11/16/2025	10 AM	Veteran's Day English Holy Communion Service Corporate General Body Meeting
Saturday	11/22/2025	6 PM	Family Talent Night
Sunday	11/23/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English DS

Wednesday	11/26/2025		NERYP Friendsgiving
Saturday	11/29/2025	ALL DAY	NERYP Fall One Day Youth Conference
Sunday	11/30/2025	10 AM	Thanksgiving Sunday English Holy Communion Service
December			
Friday - Sunday	12/5/2025 - 12/7/2025		House Caroling
Saturday	12/6/2025	10 AM	Christmas Decorating of the Church
Sunday	12/7/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Friday - Sunday	12/12/2025 - 12/14/2025		House Caroling
Sunday	12/14/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Saturday	12/20/2025	6 PM	Carol Service
Sunday	12/21/2025	10 AM	English Holy Communion Service
Thursday	12/25/2025	9 AM	Christmas Day English Holy Communion Service
Sunday	12/28/2025	10 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Contemporary English Divine Service
Wednesday	12/31/2025	9:30 PM	Watch Night Service Malayalam Holy Communion Service

On behalf of Achen and the parish, HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

January		
1/1	Reshma Ann Zachariah	Herricks
1/1	Nidhi Shawn Mathew	New Hyde Park
1/2	Ajai Thomas	Roslyn
1/2	Vibin Josh	Hicksville
1/3	Dr. Susan Thomas	Charlotte
1/3	Anil Thomas	South Huntington
1/3	Aidan Bachen Thomas	Syosset
1/3	Caden Thomas Jacob	Syosset
1/3	Nicole Anne Mathews	New Hyde Park
1/4	Babu Philip	Floral Park
1/4	Aleyamma Yohannan	Hicksville
1/4	Blessy Thomas	Bellerose
1/4	Jayla Abraham	New Hyde Park
1/4	Nathan Cherian Kovoov	East Meadow
1/4	Kayla Marie Mathew	Scotch Plains
1/5	Dr. Betsy Abraham	Bellerose
1/5	Benley Rajan Samuel	New Hyde Park
1/5	Daniel P. Thomas	Garden City Park
1/5	Marybeth Babu	Floral Park
1/5	Aleena Jacob	East Meadow
1/5	Daniel Jacob Koshy	Williston Park
1/6	Kunjannamma Joseph	Searingtown
1/7	Susy Abraham	Elmont
1/8	Manoj Koshy	Westbury
1/8	Lincoln Joseph	Roslyn
1/9	Kochumman Varghese	Glen Oaks
1/9	Jonah Philip	Rockville Centre
1/9	Savannah Philip	Rockville Centre
1/10	Annamma Koshy	Westbury
1/11	Arya Aleya Jina Thomas	Roslyn
1/11	Sunita Samuel	New Hyde Park

1/11	Sherry Varghese	East Meadow
1/13	Roshan Abraham	Merrick
1/13	Susamma Thomas	Hicksville
1/14	George Varughese	Hicksville
1/14	Varughese Oommen	Searingtown
1/14	Shalom L. Mathew	Albertson
1/14	Nithin Kuruvilla	New Hyde Park
1/14	Dr. Rani Mathew	Westbury
1/14	Jia M. Varkey	Elmont
1/15	Alisa Mariam Thomas	Hicksville
1/15	Logan Mathew Vengal Koshy	Westbury
1/15	Dr. Raju Philip	Manhasset Hills
1/15	Shawn J. Chacko	New Hyde Park
1/15	Sharon Sagi Jacob	Levittown
1/15	Susan A. Kaithavana	New Hyde Park
1/15	Hailyn J. Mathew	Hicksville
1/16	Norah Priscilla Mathew	Roslyn
1/16	Kevin A. Varkey	Valley Stream
1/17	Shawn Joseph	Searingtown
1/17	Neena Jacob	Westbury
1/17	Jaden Thomas Mathew	Manhasset Hills
1/18	Leelamma Jacob	Hicksville
1/19	Anitha A. Ninan	Westbury
1/19	Kristen Priya Philip	Hicksville
1/20	Salomi Thomas	Manhasset Hills
1/20	Norah Grace Daniel	Bethpage
1/21	Aleyamma Thomas	Floral Park
1/21	Mathew P. Mathew	Floral Park
1/21	Jaison P. Joy	New Hyde Park
1/21	Saramma Varghese	Franklin Square
1/22	Shane M. Varughese	Elmont
1/23	George P. Babu	Floral Park
1/23	Seira Thomas	New Hyde Park
1/23	Biju Samuel	New Hyde Park

1/23	Vijay Jacob	Hicksville
1/23	Jordan Jacob	Hicksville
1/23	Joel Jacob	Hicksville
1/23	Sania Sebastian	Mineola
1/24	Ritu Runy Thomas	Merrick
1/24	Roni Mathew	Scotch Plains
1/24	Kayden Thomas Sam	East Meadow
1/25	Aleyamma Mathew	Williston Park
1/26	Jincy Mammen	East Meadow
1/27	Reeba Cheriyan	New Hyde Park
1/27	Riley Faith Ninan	Westbury
1/27	Mariann David	Albertson
1/28	Babu George	Manhasset Hills
1/30	Stephanie Jacob	Dix Hills
1/30	Trijo Thomas Mathew	Manhasset Hills
1/31	Olivia George	East Meadow
FEBRUARY		
2/1	Shiju Abraham	New Hyde Park
2/1	Joykutty Thomas	Hicksville
2/1	Alexander J. Mathew	Williston Park
2/2	Legy George	East Meadow
2/3	Justin Saji Mathew	Albertson
2/3	Liben Mathews	Deer Park
2/3	Sangeetha John	Manhasset Hills
2/4	Kunjunjamma Philip	Westbury
2/4	Nora Abraham	Merrick
2/4	Sosamma Rajan	Hicksville
2/5	Emil David	Floral Park
2/5	Chacko Alex	Floral Park
2/5	Jacob Cherian	Syosset
2/5	Agrani Sheel Singh Nehra	NJ
2/6	Reji Alex	Floral Park
2/7	Sunitha Thomas	Garden City Park

2/7	Manju Sam	Lake Ronkonkoma
2/7	David C. Thomas	Lake Ronkonkoma
2/8	Sally Philip	Manhasset Hills
2/8	Susan Varughese	Nesconset
2/8	Christine J. Mathew	Roslyn Heights
2/8	Yasmine E. Mathew	Westbury
2/9	Koruthu Mathew	Roslyn Heights
2/9	Brian Varughese	Hicksville
2/9	Thomas C. Mathew	Westbury
2/10	Thomas P. Daniel	Garden City Park
2/11	Mariamamma Philip	Manhasset Hills
2/11	Richard Philip	Manhasset Hills
2/11	Amaya Manish Mammen	East Williston
2/11	Joy T. Keneth	Hicksville
2/11	Elsy Kompancaril	Mineola
2/12	Joe Mathew	Roslyn
2/12	Geevarghese Varughese	Nesconset
2/12	Bindu Achenkunju	Baldwin
2/13	Sheba Thomas Philip	Hicksville
2/13	Julie M. Mathew	Hicksville
2/13	Rebecca Ann George	Williston Park
2/13	Elias Kurian	Merrick
2/13	John Mathew	North Bellmore
2/14	Thomas Samuel	Garden City Park
2/15	Cynthia Cherian	Syosset
2/16	Oommen K. John	Hicksville
2/16	Bindu Akash	Amityville
2/17	Shawn Shaju Sam	East Meadow
2/17	Mathew N. George	Deer Park
2/17	Vineet Vinod	South Setauket
2/17	Reuben Philip	Lindenhurst
2/18	Julia Susan Biju	Amityville
2/18	Avinash Daniel	Bethpage
2/18	Steve Joe Shaji	East Meadow

2/19	Runy Thomas	Merrick
2/21	Dr. Mini P. Kurian	Stony Brook
2/22	Betsy Varughese	Hicksville
2/22	Jean Mathai Varkey	Elmont
2/22	Lalu Monachan	Merrick
2/22	Dr. Alex Mathew	East Meadow
2/23	Tojo Varkey	Elmont
2/23	Mathew P. Varghese	Hicksville
2/23	Aleyamma David	Lake Ronkonkoma
2/24	Torin Samuel Jacob	Syosset
2/25	Maizy Thomas	Jericho
2/26	Joyan Mathew	Roslyn
2/26	Kelvin Abraham	New Hyde Park
2/27	Tobgy Thomas	Hicksville
2/27	Jenson T. Mathew	Hicksville
2/28	Thadathil Mathai	East Meadow
MARCH		
3/1	Alexander Thomas	Herricks
3/1	Sahaya Isabelle Thomas	Manhasset Hills
3/1	Mary Benni Philip	New Hyde Park
3/1	Manna Samuel	Syosset
3/1	Matthew Parayil Thomas	Wantagh
3/2	Roshin Mathews	Mineola
3/3	Dr. Joseph Mattackal	Garden City Park
3/3	Allen Thomas	New Hyde Park
3/3	Dennis Mathew	Williston Park
3/4	Jibu Abraham	Albertson
3/4	Gracy Daniel	Bethpage
3/5	Anju Anna Varghese	Deer Park
3/7	Marilyn Abraham	Nesconset
3/7	Joshua Kompancaril	Mineola
3/7	Akkil Alex Kurian	New Hyde Park
3/8	Choukayil Thomas	Floral Park
3/8	Thomas Mathew	Hicksville

3/8	Joyamma Thomas	Williston Park
3/8	Isabella Ann Abraham	East Meadow
3/10	Marykutty Oommen	Plainview
3/10	Milia George	Massapequa
3/11	Aby Philip	Salisbury
3/11	Mathew Mammen	East Meadow
3/11	Rosamma Chacko	Wantagh
3/12	Dr. Sally Jacob	Dix Hills
3/14	Logan John Daniel	Bellerose
3/15	Sophia Ann Mathews	Mineola
3/15	Abish Issac Akash	Amityville
3/16	Sonali Elizabeth Thomas	Manhasset Hills
3/16	Sandha Abraham	Floral Park
3/16	Kristine B. Samuel	New Hyde Park
3/16	Zinsu Varghese	Glen Oaks
3/18	Eliana Vithayathil	Floral Park
3/19	Mathew Philip	Salisbury
3/19	Ron Rajan John	New Hyde Park
3/20	Jainy Elizabeth Samuel	New Hyde Park
3/20	Mollykutty Ninan	Westbury
3/20	Ramany Abraham	Garden City Park
3/20	Lisa Johnson	Glen Oaks
3/21	Melina Mammen	East Meadow
3/21	Rebekah Sarah Zachariah	New Hyde Park
3/21	Shelvin Shaju Sam	East Meadow
3/22	Dr. Mathew Chacko	Oyster Bay
3/22	M. Daniel Thomas	Hicksville
3/23	Mathai N. Abraham	Bellerose
3/23	Ashlyn B. Samuel	New Hyde Park
3/24	Michael Thomas Philip	Hicksville
3/24	Alexander Tom Thomas	East Meadow
3/25	Mary Mathew	Dix Hills
3/26	Saramma Varughese	Manhasset Hills
3/26	Jeremy C. Jacob	Dix Hills

3/26	Justus P. Daniel	Bethpage
3/27	Justin J. Mathew	North Bellmore
3/27	Jolly Josh	Hicksville
3/27	Linda Thomas	Hicksville
3/28	Viviana Leela Alex	Floral Park
3/28	Riva Eapen	East Meadow
3/28	Alana Rachel Mathew	Williston Park
3/29	Abey Kaithavana	New Hyde Park
3/30	Joseph V. Thomas	Albertson
3/30	Rinku Thomas	Syosset
3/31	Reena Mathew	Dix Hills
3/31	Elsy Alex Mathew	East Meadow
3/31	Jonah M. Chacko	New Milford
3/31	Varghese C. Baby	East Meadow
3/31	Siji John	New Hyde Park
3/31	Alvin Monachan	Merrick
3/31	Jayce Shaju Sam	East Meadow

On behalf of Achen and the parish, HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

January		
1/2	Christo G. Abraham & Aswathy Nelson	East Meadow
1/3	Philip & Saly George	Syosset
1/3	Sony & Mary Mathai	Garden City Park
1/4	Shiju & Teeja Abraham	New Hyde Park
1/6	John Pazhayidathu & Valsa John	Garden City Park
1/7	Baby & Marykutty George	Plainview
1/8	Reji & Mini Sam	New Hyde Park
1/11	Glenn & Sunitha Thomas	Hicksville
1/12	Vinod Thomas John & Legy George	East Meadow
1/12	Thampi Samuel & Thankamma Thampi	New Hyde Park
1/12	Richy & Julie George	East Meadow
1/15	Mohan & Dr. Elizabeth Jacob	Hicksville
1/15	Trino A. Mathew & Anu Varghese	New Hyde Park
1/16	Mammen & Annie Abraham	New Hyde Park
1/17	Roni & Blessy Mathew	Scotch Plains
1/17	Dr. Mathew & Susan Chacko	Oyster Bay
1/18	P. M. & Annamma Joseph	New Hyde Park
1/18	Joseph Abraham & Kunjannamma Joseph	Searingtown
1/19	Trijo T. Mathew & Linu Varghese	Manhasset Hills
1/19	Denny T. Thomas & Tency Mathew	East Meadow
1/20	Renny & Smitha Koshy	Westbury
1/21	Mathew N. George & Alice Mathew	Deer Park
1/22	Jacob & Riva Eapen	East Meadow
1/23	Saji & Jessy Mathew	Glen Cove
1/23	Varghese Mathew & Annamma Varghese	Elmont
1/25	Thomas & Merson Samuel	Garden City Park
1/26	Josh George & Jolly Josh	Hicksville
1/26	Jacob & Preetha George	Massapequa
1/26	Melvin & Karuna Mammen	North Bellmore
1/27	Joseph & Laila Thomas	Elmont

February		
2/2	Babu George & Jolly Babu	Manhasset Hills
2/4	Thampy & Susamma Thomas	Commack
2/6	Mathai & Susen Abraham	New Hyde Park
2/6	Thomas Oonnoony & Sheelamma Thomas	Garden City Park
2/10	Philip K. Mathew & Mini Philip	Plainview
2/14	Jaison & Ann Thomas	Garden City Park
2/14	Mammen Samuel & Rajamma Mammen	Hicksville
2/17	Mathew P. & Achamma Mathew	Floral Park
2/20	Nazareth Jacob John & Joslin Nazareth	Franklin Square
2/20	Rince Shajan & Sherin Sunny	Hicksville
2/21	Varghese & Alice Oommen	Hicksville
2/21	Akash Issac & Bindu Akash	Amityville
2/21	Joseph & Asha George	Westbury
2/29	Jiju & Anitha Sam	Lake Ronkonkoma
March		
3/2	Bobby & Roshin Mathews	Mineola
3/11	Varkey A. Geevarghese & Sony Varghese	Valley Stream
3/15	Drs. Sheebu & Anju Chacko	Hicksville
3/16	Thomas & Mariamma Mathew	Hicksville
3/17	Sunil & Dr. Sally Jacob	Dix Hills
3/22	M. Daniel & Remani Thomas	Hicksville
3/27	Zachariah & Maizy Thomas	Jericho
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