



Sunday School

1. Students are requested to observe the Lent of Advent from 1st December 2013 till Christmas with piety.
2. The Service of Rededication, for students of age 12 and above, will be held on Tuesday, 17th December 2013 (5.30 to 8.30 PM) at National Evangelical Church during the Holy Qurbana. Preparatory Class is arranged on Thursday, 12th December, 2013. Students and Parents, please ensure to attend Confession at an early date with prior appointment with Vicar.
3. Christmas celebration and Sneha Virunnu are scheduled to be conducted on 19-Dec-2013 at SS in NECK.
4. Meet-the-seniors program is scheduled on Thursday, 26-Dec-2013 @ NECK from 5:30pm to 7:30pm.
5. New Academic Year of the Sunday School commences on Thursday, 2-Jan-2014.



St. Gregorios OCYM

1. Drawing competition and Essay writing competition (only for our church members and their family members) Friday 13th December 2013 at 1 30 pm to 03 00 pm at St.George Chapel, Abbassiya.
2. Prayer Meeting with Study Class on Thursday, 26th December 2013 at 08:00 PM at church parsonage, Abbassiya.



Marthamariam Samajam

Common Prayer: On Thursday, 19th December from 5:30pm to 6:45pm at NECK, Hall of Hope.
Chain Prayer : From Tuesday 3rd December 6:00pm to Wednesday 4th December 6:00 pm



Indian Orthodox Mercy Fellowship

1. By the grace of God, IOMF has successfully completed its Catholicate Centenary & IOMF 40th Anniversary Project "Mercy Homes-2012". IOMF family wishes to express our deepest gratitude to all parish members for their generous support.
2. IOMF Christmas & New Year Program will be held on Thursday, 2nd January, 2014.



Mar Gregorios Movement

MGM members and children are requested to participate in upcoming MGM Christmas Carol Practices. Please contact Convener Mr. Saji Cherian - 5098 3833, Abbassiya and Mr. Babu Varghese - 9926 3203, Salmiya to join the Christmas Carol practices. MGM Area committee members will inform you the MGM Carol visit plan.

MGM Christmas & New Year Family Get-together celebrations is planned to be held on 4th Saturday, 28th December from 6.15 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. at United Indian School, Abbassiya. Please contact Cultural Secretary - Roshan - 5055 3454 or Joint Secretary Lejoe - 9947 6422 to register details of your/ children's participation programs on or before 05th December 2013.



Mar Baselios Movement

Mar Baselios Movement's 40th Anniversary and 50th Orma Perunnal of MBM's Patron Saint His Holiness Baselios Geevarghese II Bava (3rd Catholicos & Malankara Metropolitan of MOSC) will be celebrated on Friday, 3rd January 2014. On this auspicious occasion, Mar Baselios Movement, Kuwait dedicates a Kidney Dialysis project to the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church Medical Mission. MBM endeavour to provide free or subsidised dialysis facilities to the rural people of Malabar. We are fortunate enough to be associated with the St. George Charitable Dialysis Centre Puthuppadi, Calicut under the Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church Medical Mission (MOSCM) established under the leadership of H.H. Baselios Marthoma Didymus Valiya Bava and H.G. Dr. Zachariah Mar Theophilos, Metropolitan of Malabar Diocese.

H.G. Dr. Zacharias Mar Aprem, Metropolitan of the Diocese of Adoor-Kadampnanad and Vice President of St. George Charitable Dialysis Centre will be with us to lead MBM's 40th Anniversary Celebrations and to inaugurate the MBM Kidney Dialysis Project activities in Kuwait. MBM cordially invites all parishioners to the 50th memorial service of H.H. Baselios Geevarghese II Bava at NECK on Friday 3rd January at 8.00 am and to the Public function in association with the MBM 40th anniversary at Marina Hall, Jleeb Al Shyouchk on the same day evening at 6:30 pm.



Christmas and New Year Celebrations

Christmas and New Year Celebrations of the Edavaka will be held on December 27th, 2013 at Indian Central School, Abbassiya from 2:30 PM.
Christmas Carol 2013

Choirs from SGIOME church prayer groups will visit the homes of parish members from 1st December. All members are requested to welcome them.



Christmas and New Year Service Schedules

24 - Dec	Tuesday	10:30 PM	Christmas Service	NECK
01 - Jan	Wednesday	12:30 AM	New Year Service	NECK



A Word of Gratitude from HF Committee 2013

By the Grace of God, Harvest Festival 2013 went on very well. Harvest Festival Committee, would like to thank His Grace Dr. Joseph Mar Dionysius Metropolitan, Vicar Rev. Fr. Jose Mathew, Associate Vicar Rev. Fr. Reji C. Varghese, HF General Convener Mr.Oommen Kurian, HF Conveners & Jt.Convener, HF Committee Members, Parish Managing Committee Members, Prayer Group Secretaries, Spiritual & Charitable Organizations and all members of our Parish for their guidance, help support and co-operation for the success of the Fest.

We would also like to thank our Main Sponsor, Sponsors, Co-Sponsors, Program Co-Sponsors and all advertisers in the Souvenir and all those who sponsored various Gifts or supported us otherwise.

Once again thanks to one and all. May our Lord's blessings be with us.



Lectionary

1-Dec	Visitation to Elizabeth (Women's Day)/Fast of the Nativity begins	I Sam 25:1-35	I Peter 3: 1-7	I Tim 2:9 -15	St.Luke 1:39 - 56
2-Dec	Monday	I Sam 6 : 1 - 9	Eze 46 : 19 - 24	II Cor 8 : 16 - 24	St. Mk 5 : 18 - 20
3-Dec	Tuesday	I Sam 6 : 10 - 16	Eze 47 : 1 - 6	II Cor 9 : 1 - 5	St. Mk 5 : 21 - 24
4-Dec	Wednesday	I Sam 6 : 17 - 21	Eze 47 : 7 - 12	II Cor 9 : 6 - 15	St. Mk 5 : 25 - 34
5-Dec	Thursday	I Sam 7 : 1 - 4	Eze 47 : 13 - 18	II Cor 10 : 1 - 6	St. Mk 6 : 1 - 6
6-Dec	Friday	I Sam 7 : 5 - 11	Eze 47 : 19 - 23	II Cor 10 : 7 - 11	St. Mk 6 : 7 - 13
7-Dec	Saturday	I Sam 7 : 12 - 17	Eze 48 : 1 - 7	II Cor 10 : 7 - 11	St. Luke 6 : 14 - 18
8-Dec	Birth of St. John the baptist (Sunday School Day)	Gen 21 : 1 - 21	I John 3 : 1 - 3	Eph 6 : 1 - 4	St.Luke 1 : 57 - 80
9-Dec	Monday	I Sam 8 : 1 - 9	Eze 48 : 8 - 14	II Cor 10 : 12 - 18	St. Mk 6 : 19 - 29
10-Dec	Tuesday	I Sam 8 : 10 - 18	Eze 48 : 15 - 20	II Cor 11 : 1 - 6	St. Mk 6 : 30 - 44
11-Dec	Wednesday	I Sam 8 : 19 - 22	Eze 48 : 21 - 29	II Cor 11 : 7 - 11	St. Mk 6 : 45 - 52
12-Dec	Thursday	I Sam 9 : 1 - 4	Eze 48 : 30 - 35	II Cor 11 : 12 - 15	St. Mk 6 : 53 - 59
13-Dec	Friday	I Sam 9 : 5 - 10	Dan 1 : 1 - 7	II Cor 11 : 16 - 21	St. Mk 6 : 60 - 65
14-Dec	Saturday	I Sam 9 : 11 - 14	Dan 1 : 8 - 16	II Cor 11 : 22 - 33	St. Mk 6 : 66 - 71
15-Dec	Revelation to Joseph	Gen 13 : 1 - 11	I Peter 2 : 11 - 17	Gal 1:11-24	St.Mat 1:18-25
16-Dec	Monday	I Sam 9 : 15 - 21	Dan 1 : 17 - 21	II Cor 12 : 1 - 6	St. Mk 7 : 1 - 13
17-Dec	Tuesday	I Sam 9 : 22 - 27	Dan 2 : 1 - 11	II Cor 12 : 7 - 10	St. Mk 7 : 14 - 19
18-Dec	Wednesday	I Sam 10 : 1 - 8	Dan 2 : 12 - 16	II Cor 12 : 11 - 13	St. Mk 7 : 20 - 25
19-Dec	Thursday	I Sam 10 : 9 - 16	Dan 2 : 17 - 24	II Cor 12 : 14 - 18	St. Mk 7 : 26 - 31
20-Dec	Friday	I Sam 10 : 17 - 27	Dan 2 : 25 - 30	II Cor 12 : 19 - 21	St. Mk 7 : 32 - 36
21-Dec	Saturday	I Sam 11 : 1 - 4	Dan 2 : 31 - 35	II Cor 13 : 1 - 6	St. Mk 7 : 32 - 37
22-Dec	Genealogy	Gen 46:8-27	Acts3:16-26	Rom 4:13-25	St.Luke 3:23-38
23-Dec	Monday	I Sam 11 : 5 - 11	Dan 2 : 36 - 45	II Cor 13 : 7 - 14	St. Mk 7 : 38 - 39
24-Dec	Eldo (Christmas)	Gen 21:1-8	I Jn 1:1 - 10	Gal 3:23 - 4:7	St.Mat 2:1-12
25-Dec	Wednesday	I Sam 11 : 12 - 15	Dan 2 : 46 - 49	Gal1: 1 - 10	St. Mk 7 : 40 - 53
26-Dec	Thursday	I Sam 12 : 1 - 5	Dan 3 : 1 - 7	Gal1: 11 - 17	St. Mk 8 : 1 - 11
27-Dec	Friday	I Sam 12 : 6 - 12	Dan 3 : 8 - 12	Gal1: 18 - 24	St. Mk 8 : 12 - 19
28-Dec	Saturday	I Sam 12 : 13 - 18	Dan 3 : 13 - 15	Gal 2 : 1 - 5	St. Mk 8 : 20 - 30
29-Dec	1st Sunday After Christmas	Gen 37:13-28	Acts 16:6-10	I Cor 10: 1-13	St.Mat 2:9-15 ,19-23
30-Dec	Monday	I Sam 12 : 19 - 25	Dan 3 : 16 - 23	Gal 2 : 6 - 10	St. Mk 8 : 31 - 36
31-Dec	Tuesday	I Sam 13 : 1 - 7	Dan 3 : 24 - 30	Gal 2 : 11 - 13	St. Mk 8 : 37 - 41



New Members List

1	S446	Shijo George	St.Behenan	66413602	
2	H003	Herman Babu Kurian	St.Behenan	99005410	24310712
3	J465	Jinu Joseph	St.James	60687283	25621927
4	S447	Shibu Samuel	St.Thomas	60370309	
5	J466	Jimmy Koshy	St.Stephen	66418130	
6	E032	Eby Oommen	St.Mark	60314748	
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Parish News Letter December 2013

Wishing you a very
Blessed Christmas
and a
Joyous New Year



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Bishop's Message



The Parsonage of St. Gregorios Indian Orthodox Maha Edavaka, Kuwait.
27th November 2013,

Glory be to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, the One Triune God forever and ever, Amen.

Christmas and New Year Greetings to all our dearly, beloved Rev. Fathers, Sabha Managing Committee Members, Parish Trustee, Secretary, Managing Committee Members, Spiritual and Charitable Organization Leaders and the Faithful Parishioners.

The advent of Christmas is a time for rejoice. In one form or other the entire world marks this occasion for celebration. The Church commemorates this day through 25 days of long fasting and lent. The mother of God bears Christ in her womb and gave the Savior to the world. The Word (Logos) of God incarnated through the ear of mother Mary and resided in her womb by her willful submission. We also should have a spiritual maternity in giving Christ to others like mother Mary. The fasting and prayer we exercise in this lent period should transform the Word of God within us to the birth of Christ in each individual. This is the rightful method of celebration of Christmas rather the worldly celebration of merry making.

Christ also should be witnessed through suffering like St. Stephen. The martyrdom of St. Stephen has given birth to St. Paul and St. Luke. Through our sufferings in Christ we should give birth to lost and disgruntled souls. The spiritual maternity through sufferings should be an overflow of God's love to the world. The word of God should incarnate in our heart and overflow it as Emmanuel. The word of God should incarnate in our heart and overflow it as Emmanuel. May God bless all my beloved parishioners to live up to the right meaning of Christmas.

With love, affection and prayers,
Yours Shepherd in our Lord Jesus Christ,

Mar Dionysius Joseph

Dr. Joseph Mar Dionysius Metropolitan

Worship Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Event	Venue
3 - Dec	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
6 - Dec	Friday	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
6 - Dec	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
6 - Dec	Friday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. Mary's Chapel, Salmiya
7 - Dec	Saturday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
10 - Dec	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
13 - Dec	Friday	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
13 - Dec	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
13 - Dec	Friday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. Mary's Chapel, Salmiya
14 - Dec	Saturday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
17 - Dec	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
20 - Dec	Friday	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
20 - Dec	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
20 - Dec	Friday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. Mary's Chapel, Salmiya
21 - Dec	Saturday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
24 - Dec	Tuesday	10:30 PM	Christmas Service	NECK
27 - Dec	Friday	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
27 - Dec	Friday	7:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. Mary's Chapel, Salmiya
28 - Dec	Saturday	7:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK, South Tent
28 - Dec	Saturday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya
01 - Jan	Wednesday	12:30 AM	New Year Service	NECK

Church Calendar

1 - Dec	Feast of the Nativity Lent begins (25 days)
2 - Dec	Commemoration of H.G Thoma Mar Dionysius (Tabore dayara Pathanapuram)
8 - Dec	St. Mary's visit to Elizabeth (Womens Day), Birth of John - The Baptist (Children's Day), Commemoration of H.H Baselios Mar Augen 1
10 - Dec	Feast of St. Behanan, St.Sarah, Martyrs, St. Philoxenus
13 - Dec	Commemoration of H.G Daniel Mar Philoxenos (Pathanamthitta)
16 - Dec	Revelation of St. Joseph, Commemoration of HG Yuhannon Mar Severios Metropolitan
17 - Dec	Commemoration of H.H Baselios Geevarghese Icaholicos (Vallikattu Dayara, Vakathanam)
21 - Dec	Martyrdom of St. Thomas
22 - Dec	Sunday before Christmas
25 - Dec	Yeldo - Christmas
26 - Dec	Commemoration of H.G Yakoob Mar Polycarpus (Koratti), Feast of the Glory of Saint Mary
27 - Dec	Mas-sacre of infants
29 - Dec	First Sunday after Christmas

Hearty Welcome

Kuwait St. Gregorios Indian Orthodox Maha Edavaka heartily welcomes

H.G Dr. Zacharias Mar Aprem



Prayer Schedule

Group	Time	Date	Host	Bldg	Flr #	Flt #	Location	Telephone
St. Aprem	5:30 PM	6-Dec	Shiju Varghese		3	11	Holy Star Coffee Shop	99251751
		13-Dec	Biju Samuel Varghese	168	5	39	Opp. Best Bakers - Right	97461409
		20-Dec	Binu Mathew	116	GF	17	Genius Attestation Bldg	66097299
St. Behenan	5:30 PM	6-Dec	Reju Chandu	49	3	12	Beside Electrical Workshop. (old cabin)	24340873
		13-Dec	Robin. L. Babu		6	17	Near Makka Store	99689417
		20-Dec	Bijo. P. Babu	121	2	7	Old Naif Chicken Bidg	97671194
St. Elias	5:00 PM	6-Dec	Manoj Mathew		1	2	Near Double Building (Corner Bldg.)	66087125
		13-Dec	Biju George		3	9	Opp. Hitech Computers	99144284
		20-Dec	Sinu Mathew		1	2	New Fish shop Building	97325125
St. George East	5:00 PM	6-Dec	Varghese Abraham	42	2	11	Time Out Rest. Bldg	97267766
		13-Dec	Varghese K John	1418	4	15	Behind Tele. Exch Side 7th Bldg	66183158
		20-Dec	Mathew Varkey	1016	G	17	Mahima Centre Super Market Bldg	60607296
St. George West	5:00 PM	6-Dec	Salu Thomas John		8	27	Swiss Clinic. Highway side	24337525
		13-Dec	Sajeew M George		5	15	King Cook Restaurant New Bldg.	24337018
		20-Dec	Abraham Thomas		2	10	Next to Old Pakistani Mosque Bldg.	66185184
St. Luke	5.30 PM	6-Dec	Tristu N Abraham	17	4	15	Twinkle Twinkle Building - Old	65733423
		13-Dec	John Mathew	38	2	6	Hardware Shop Building	66427652
		20-Dec	Benny K Philipose	11	3	15	Al Manakh AC Shop	99137954
St. Mark	5:30 PM	6-Dec	Vinod Thomas		4	7	Dasma Laundry Bldg	99629915
		13-Dec	Tijoe George	9	2	11	Lansa Fashion Bldg	66943723
		20-Dec	Lal Oommen	18	9	49	Sree Ragam Furniture Bldg	65024368
St. Mathews East	5:00 PM	6-Dec	Vinny George Varghese		1	5	Next to Robin Store Corner Old Bldg	97244193
		13-Dec	John Mathew		2	10	Next to Robin Store Corner Old Bldg	66163945
		20-Dec	Koshy Daniel		2	8	Old Ministy Bldg -1	66864057
St. Mathews West		13-Dec	Nixon Thomas		5	25	Cochin Electricals Bldg	66997187
		20-Dec	Dr. Subu Thomas		3	7	Blazer Tailors Bldg	66786078
St. Paul's		13-Dec	Maybu Mathew	145	8	35	Orma Margin free shop Bldg	66932061
		20-Dec	John Kuriakose	154	7	34	Oppo. New Holy Sweets	66413055
St. Philipose South	5:00 PM	6-Dec	Joshy M. Eapen		9	34	Green Point Building	55619252
		13-Dec	Roy N. K		3	9	Rehman Store Building	66396204
		20-Dec	Saju Jacob		1	4	Green Point Building	97184102
St. Philipose North	5:00 PM	6-Dec	Mammen Varghese		4	16	Near Thofa Restaurant & Hada Center	96620903
		13-Dec	Thomas Mathew		3	12	Opp. Germen Clinic	97689423
		20-Dec	Sabu Jacob		5	18	Opp. Germen Clinic	24344523
St. Thomas North	5.30 PM	6-Dec	Jogy John		1	2	Indo Ethnic Boutique Building	24344168
		13-Dec	Vinod Thomas	1725	1	5	Family Bazar Building	24310980
		20-Dec	Jain Philip	21	2	5	Fitness Building	97684952
St. Thomas South	5.30 PM	6-Dec	Sabu varghese	48	7	21	Cochin Gift Corner Building	97218083
		13-Dec	Varghese Roy	55	5	17	Jazz Sweets Building	65730793
		20-Dec	Saji Cherian	20	2	12	Total Workshop Building	50228331
St. James	8:00 PM	20 - Dec	Varghese Stephen	101	11	43	Opp IPS Near Salmiya Store	65607134
St. Joseph's	8:00 PM	6 - Dec	Thomas Joy V	93	3	5	Opposite Muzzaini exchange, Old Riggae	97863271
St. Peter's	8:00 PM	20 - Dec	Saji Varghese	41	1	5	Alshaya Bldg	66562488
St. Stephens	8:00 PM	18 - Dec	Dr. Chacko Mathew	18	6	12	Jabriya - Blk-3, Str-7, Golden Fork Restaurant Building	25329071
Brahmavar	11:30 AM	6 - Dec	Alfred B Lewis				Abbassiya	99869259