

Parish General Body Meeting

The Annual Accounts and Budget General Body meeting will be scheduled on Tuesday 16th July 2013 at NECK after Holy Qurbana. All eligible members are requested to attend.

Orthodox Vacation Bible School 2013



Rev. Fr. Shino Sam, Chengara, Konni will lead the OVBS music classes. Presently he is serving the church as vicar of St.Mary's Orthodox Church, Valiyathovala, Idukki. His Home Parish is St Peter's Orthodox Church, Konnappara, Konni.

OVBS 2013 with the theme **"Humble yourselves before the Lord and He will exalt you"**. St. James 4:10; will be held from Monday, 22nd July 2013 to

Thursday, 1st August 2013. Timings: 4:00 to 6:30PM (No class on Fridays & Sundays).

More Teachers are required. Those interested are requested to contact Sunday School Headmaster immediately.

Transportation Co-ordinators of OVBS 2013.

i. For Salmiya, Salwa, Jabriya, Hawally and City – Mr. C. T. Jacob (Mob: 99619071; Res: 25665795; e-mail: jacobchakolil@yahoo.co.in)

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Closing Day Celebrations will be held on Thursday, 1st August, 2013 from 5:30 PM to 9:30 PM.

For more information, please contact OVBS Superintendent, Mr. Mathai Varghese V. (Mob: 97824033; e-mail: mattvarghese06@yahoo.com)

Request prayerful support and cooperation, of all Parishioners, for the effectiveness of OVBS, this year.

St. Gregorios OCYM

1, Study Class with Group Discussions on Thursday, 11th July 2013, at 08.00 pm at church parsonage, Abbassiya.

2, Monthly prayer meeting will be held on Thursday 25th July 2013, at 7 45 pm at the Residence of Mr. Joby John Kaleeckkal, 3rd floor, flat # 17, next to Blue Sky Super market, Abbassiya

Anti Alcoholism Movement

Monthly prayer meeting and General body meeting will be held on Saturday 6th July 2013, 7.00 PM at church Parsonage, Abbassiya.

*For Private Circulation Among Parish Members Only

Lectionary

Date	Day	Old Testament	Catholic Epistle/ Prophets	Pauline Epistle	Gospel
1-Jul	Monday	Joshu 19: 17 - 21	Eze 12: 1 - 7	Heb 11:1 - 7	St. Mat 10:32 - 42
2-Jul	Tuesday	Joshu 19: 22 - 31	Eze 12: 8 - 16	Heb 11:8-12	St. Mat 11:1 - 6
3-Jul	St. Thomas Day	Gen 9:1 - 12	Acts 1:12 - 14	I Cor 12:28 - 13: 10	St. Jn 20: 19 - 31
4-Jul	Thursday	Joshu 19: 32 - 39	Eze 12: 17 - 20	Heb 11:13 -22	St. Mat 11:7 - 10
5-Jul	Friday	Joshu 19: 40- 48	Eze 12: 21 - 28	Heb 11:23-31	St. Mat 11:11 - 19
6-Jul	Saturday	Joshu 19: 49 - 51	Eze 13: 1 - 9	Heb 11:32 -40	St. Mat 11:20 - 24
7-Jul	VII Sunday after Pentecost	Lev 16:29-34	Act 4:32-37	Eph 2:11-22	St.Mk 3:20-30
8-Jul	Monday	Joshu 20: 1 - 6	Eze 13: 10 - 16	Heb 12:1 -11	St. Mat 11:25 - 29
9-Jul	Tuesday	Joshu 20: 7 - 9	Eze 13: 17 - 19	Heb 12:12 -17	St. Mat 12:1 - 8
10-Jul	Wednesday	Joshu 21: 1 - 7	Eze 13: 20 - 23	Heb 12:18-21	St. Mat 12:9 - 14
11-Jul	Thursday	Joshu 21: 8 - 19	Eze 14: 1 - 5	Heb 12:22-28	St. Mat 12:15 - 21
12-Jul	Friday	Joshu 21: 20 - 26	Eze 14: 6 - 11	Heb 13:1 - 8	St. Mat 12:22 - 30
13-Jul	Saturday	Joshu 21: 27- 33	Eze 14: 12 - 20	Heb 13:9 - 16	St. Mat 12:31 - 37
14-Jul	VIII Sunday after Pentecost	Exo 3:9-15	I Pet 2:4-10	Heb 4:14 - 5:5	St.Jn 6:47-59
15-Jul	Monday	Joshu 21: 34 - 40	Eze 14: 21 - 23	Heb 13:17- 19	St. Mat 12:38 - 45
16-Jul	Tuesday	Joshu 21: 41 - 45	Eze 15: 1 - 8	Heb 13:20- 25	St. Mat 12:46 - 50
17-Jul	Wednesday	Joshu 22: 1 - 9	Eze 16: 1 - 14	Rom 1:1-15	St. Mat 13:1 - 9
18-Jul	Thursday	Joshu 22: 10 - 20	Eze 16: 15 - 22	Rom 1:16-25	St. Mat 13:10 - 17
19-Jul	Friday	Joshu 22: 21 - 29	Eze 16: 23 - 34	Rom 1:26-32	St. Mat 13:18 - 23
20-Jul	Saturday	Joshu 22: 30 - 34	Eze 16: 35 - 43	Rom 2:1-11	St. Mat 13:24 - 30
21-Jul	IX Sunday after Pentecost	Deut 4:1-6	Act 28:11-22	I Cor 6:1- 11	St.Luke 14:7-11
22-Jul	Monday	Joshu 23: 1- 16	Eze 16: 44 - 50	Rom 2: 12 - 16	St. Mat 13:31 - 33
23-Jul	Tuesday	Joshu 24: 1- 7	Eze 16: 51 - 58	Rom 2: 17 - 29	St. Mat 13:34 - 43
24-Jul	Wednesday	Joshu 24: 8 - 13	Eze 16: 59 - 63	Rom 3: 1 - 8	St. Mat 13:44 - 46
25-Jul	Thursday	Joshu 24: 14 - 24	Eze 17: 1 - 10	Rom 3: 9 - 20	St. Mat 13:47 - 50
26-Jul	Friday	Joshu 24: 25 - 29	Eze 17: 11 - 21	Rom 3: 21 - 31	St. Mat 13:51 - 53
27-Jul	Saturday	Joshu 24: 30 - 33	Eze 17: 22 - 24	Rom 4: 1 - 12	St. Mat 13:54 - 58
28-Jul	X Sunday after Pentecost	Exo 15:22-27	Act 28:23-30	Rom 10: 5 - 21	St.Mt 18:1-11
29-Jul	Monday	Judg 1: 1 - 7	Eze 18: 1 - 9	Rom 4: 13 - 25	St. Mat 14:1 - 7
30-Jul	Tuesday	Judg 1: 8 - 15	Eze 18: 10 - 18	Rom 5: 1 - 11	St. Mat 14:8 - 12
31-Jul	Wednesday	Judg 1: 16 - 21	Eze 18: 19 - 32	Rom 5: 12 - 21	St. Mat 14:13 - 21

Mar Baselios Movement

MBM General Body will be held on 26th July 2013 at Hi-Dine Auditorium at 10.30 AM

Mar Gregorios Movement

MGM Prayer Meeting for the month of July 2013: Date and Venue will be announced later.

Indian Orthodox Mercy Fellowship

IOMF general body for the month of June will be held on Saturday, 27th June, 2013 at 7:00 PM at Rajdhan i Restaurant, Khaitan

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Worship Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Event	Venue
2-Jul	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
5-Jul	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
9-Jul	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
12-Jul	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
16-Jul	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
19-Jul	Friday	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
23-Jul	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
27-Jul	Saturday	7:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
30-Jul	Tuesday	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK

Condolences



Miss. Sonumol Jacob, D/o Jacob Varghese and Shirly Jacob Sonu Bhawan, Kalanjoor, Pathanamthitta.

St. Gregorios Indian Orthodox Mavha Edavaka convey our deepest condolences to the bereaved family. May her soul to rest in peace.

St. James 4:10

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Vicar's Message



We are blessed with St. Thomas had been called by Jesus and set apart as an Apostle along with Simon Peter, his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus; Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot.

Honestly, Thomas doesn't stand out much in most of the gospel records, especially compared to Simon Peter, or others whose questions or interactions with Jesus were pretty colourful.

Thomas doesn't stand out, but we need to realize that Thomas had been a faithful servant of Jesus for quite some time and had been commissioned by Jesus, along with the other Apostles, to preach that the kingdom is near and to heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who had leprosy, and drive out demons. He was, apparently, a do-er rather than a talker. The truth is, Thomas has been pretty grossly misunderstood over the years in the church. What is the adjective normally attached to his name? "Doubt-ing-Thomas". Truthfully, that is just grossly unfair and does an injustice to a most remarkable Saint. So Thomas goes for a whole week before seeing Jesus. I'm sure it was the longest week in his life.

He had to get up each day, have breakfast with the disciples, listen to them talk with wonder about having seen Jesus; he had to observe their joy and fascination and excitement while he was unsettled and unconvinced.

He had to endure each day, not knowing if he should be mourning or somehow trusting that this impossible thing that all of his friends were saying might be true.

And then a week goes by and he's with the disciples in a locked house. Jesus comes and stands among them and says: "Peace be with you".

Then he turns to Thomas and challenges him, offering to fulfil Thomas' conditions, allowing Thomas to touch His wounds. Jesus says to Thomas simply this: "Stop doubting and believe". And Thomas...Thomas does need any more proof. Thomas here makes the boldest confession yet, in an act of worship, of all the disciples.

The others had called Him rabbi, teacher, healer or even "Messiah". All those were true of course, but Thomas cuts to the chase and in a moment of profound relief and release and revelation, he says to Jesus: "My Lord and my God". Almighty God, thank you for St. Thomas the Apostle, whose love for you was complete, whose devotion to you was absolute, whose questions, once answered, liberated him to live his whole life free in Christ, and free to live to glorify God. Teach us to ask questions with sincere and open hearts. Grow in each of us the kind of faith that will not be shaken, that we might stand

Once a questionnaire given to children in a Sunday School, asking them to describe their idea of God. One of the children, a 7-year old boy, gave an answer: "God is He, who when I do my very best, but can't quite make it, does that which I can't do." This answer not as a definition of God, but as a definition of God's action. And in our task of OVBS, our honest and conscientious effort to do our best is what really matters and God will add His grace to make our work effective. In ancient Greece the term "liturgy" was used, for example, when the people of a city had a boat to build. It was not something one person could do, or one family. The whole city had to contribute work and money to build a large boat. And this term was chosen to be used for the service we call Divine Liturgy. I believe that the task of the Christian education of our children is a common task of the whole Church, of the whole parish, of all the families.

Yours in Christ
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Dukrono of St. Thomas



Dukhrono of St. Thomas, the Apostle of India, will be celebrated at our Church on Friday 5th July 2013 at NECK. Nercha will be served.

Church Calendar

3-Jul	Feast of St. Thomas - Dukhrono of St. Thomas Apostle of India
5-Jul	Commemoration of Marthoma VII (Kolencherry), Feast of the 72 Evangelists
7-Jul	Seventh Sunday after Pentecost; Commemoration of Zacharias Mar Dionysius
10-Jul	Commemoration of H. G Yohannon Mar Gregorios Metropolitan
12-Jul	Commemoration of H.G Pulikottil Joseph Mar Dionysius V (Old Seminary)
14-Jul	Eight Sunday after Pentecost
15-Jul	Commemoration of St. Kuriakose
20-Jul	Commemoration of Prophet Eliah
21-Jul	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
22-Jul	Feast of St. Mary Magdalene
23-Jul	Commemoration of H.G.Geevarghese Mar Dioscoros (Trinity Ashram, Ranny)
27-Jul	Feast of St. Simon
28-Jul	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Prayer Schedule

Group	Time	Date	Host	Building	Flr #	Flt #	Location	Telephone
St.Aprem	5:30 PM	5-Jul	Varghese Mathew		3	12	Holy Star Coffee Shop	97986488
		12-Jul	Jacob George	221	3	11	Q8 Shoppe, Near Eden Store	97153123
		19-Jul	Ninan John K	200	6	22	Balansiya Bakery	66898264
St. Behenan	5:30 PM	26-Jul	Jolly Varghese		7	19	Opp. Irani Kubbos	97657048
		5-Jul	Shaji Abraham	119	4	13	Opp.Al Razi Pharmacy, 2nd Building.	24311639
		12-Jul	Moncy Pappachen	49	6	40	Beside Electrical w/shop (new cabin)	66719652
		19-Jul	Reji Sam Samuel	124	1	5	Opp.Al Razi Pharmacy, 4th Building	66430654
St. Elias	5:00 PM	26-Jul	Sabu Alias	47	1	5	Beside Electrical w/shop	24312692
		5-Jul	Biju George		3	9	Opp. Hitech Computers	99144284
		12-Jul	Jul Raju Varghese		8	62	Al-Zain Restaurant Building	66698065
		19-Jul	Jul Roy Mathew Thomas		1	3	Gents Look Saloon Building	66091965
St. George East & West (Common Prayer)	5:00 PM	26-Jul	Jul Joe Varghese		2	8	CM Super Market (Noor) Building	55938510
		5-Jul	Thomas T.K	50	4	17	Next to curtain Shop	
		12-Jul	Thomas Simon (Gibu)	184	6	17	Highway Center right side Building	66621700
		19-Jul	Saji Varghese		1	3	Opp Old Ministry Corner Building	24311745
St. Luke	5:30 PM	26-Jul	Jobin thomas		5	1	Swiss Clinic Main road side	67085869
		5-Jul	Thayil Pathrose Varghese	14	3	27	Near Makka Store	99715387
		12-Jul	Titus P. Koshy	14	6	46	Near Makka Store	24310319
		19-Jul	Kurian Varkey	40	3	11	Beauty Parlour Building	24318942
St. Mark	5:30 PM	26-Jul	Sminu Yohanan	38	2	9	Opposite Electrical Substation (Old Building)	99524540
		12-Jul	Manu T. John		3	7	Madeena Super Market Building	9784 2641
		19-Jul	Scaria Geevarghese		5	29	Apsara Shoe Bazar Building	6639 0172
		26-Jul	Shobin K. Kurian		8	85	Al-Watan Store Building	9743 7925
St. Mathews East & West (Common Prayer)	5:00 PM	5-Jul	Sherry Jacob Kurian		2	9	Caesars Travel Building	99297806
		12-Jul	Sleeba Cheriyan		3	13	Robin Store Building	24334106
		19-Jul	Varghese Joseph		10	76	Opp. Unique Store Building	24319770
		26-Jul	Mathew Philip (Saji)		3	9	Walking Style Show Building	24315247
St.Paul's	5:30 PM	5-Jul	Anitha Shaji Mathew	124	3	12	India Saree House Building.	24335260
		19-Jul	Subin Philip	144	6	67	Best Bakers Building.	24343248
		26-Jul	Abey Thomas	123	4	14	Dyna Super Mkt. Rt (Holy sweets left)	24349914
St.Philipose South	5:00 PM	5-Jul	John Mathew		1	3	Rehman Store	66441668
		12-Jul	Eby Samuel		5	18	Golden gift Center	24346401
		19-Jul	Thomas K Mathai		8	32	High Land Restaurant Building	66218561
St.Philipose North	5:00 PM	26-Jul	Joby T Kurien		7	32	High Land Restaurant Building	99120848
		5-Jul	Sunil Kuriakose		7	38	Al Mulla Exchange Building	66152887
		12-Jul	Vinu Mammen		5	17	Opp. German Clinic	97847679
		19-Jul	V K Paul		1	2	Opp. Hadha Centre	66997195
St. Thomas North	5:30 PM	26-Jul	Robin K Mathew		6	36	Al Mulla Exchange Building	66095842
		5-Jul	Davidson Varghese	23	4	14	Taste Restaurant	24345840
		12-Jul	Prince Chacko	24	4	10	Behind Family Bazar Building	24331217
		19-Jul	George Varghese	21	1		Opposite Hasawi Restaurant	24346851
St. Thomas South	5:30 PM	26-Jul	George Varghese	4	1	4	Neema Hut Restaurant Building	24313916
		5-Jul	Mani Mathew	56	GR	28	Hassawi Restaurant	67783817
		12-Jul	Manoj Thomas	37	1	111	Jeny Beauty Parlour	66940658
		19-Jul	Stephen Thomas	74	4	10	Success Lines Building	24342647
St. Andrew's	6:30 PM	26-Jul	Saju Cherian	20	2	9	Total Work Shop	24337657
St.Dionysious	5:00 PM	26-Jul	James K.V.		6	32	Opposite Pak School	97989941
St. James	7:00 PM	26-Jul	N.K. Eapen		3	10	Opposite Ceasers Travels & Near To Darbar Store	25648371
St. John's	8:00 PM	26-Jul	Jacob Samuel (Joppan)	12	8	32	Near Shara Amman Roundabout	99247329
St. Peter's	8:00 PM	19Jul	Koshy Mathew N (Kunju)		1	5	Building # 35 (Orthodox Building, No:1)	99428651
Brahmavar	8:00 PM	11- Jul	Kamal Karmaseril Koshy		3	32	Next to Alawadhi Bldg	99640816
			Patrick Lewis				Farwaniya	96993064