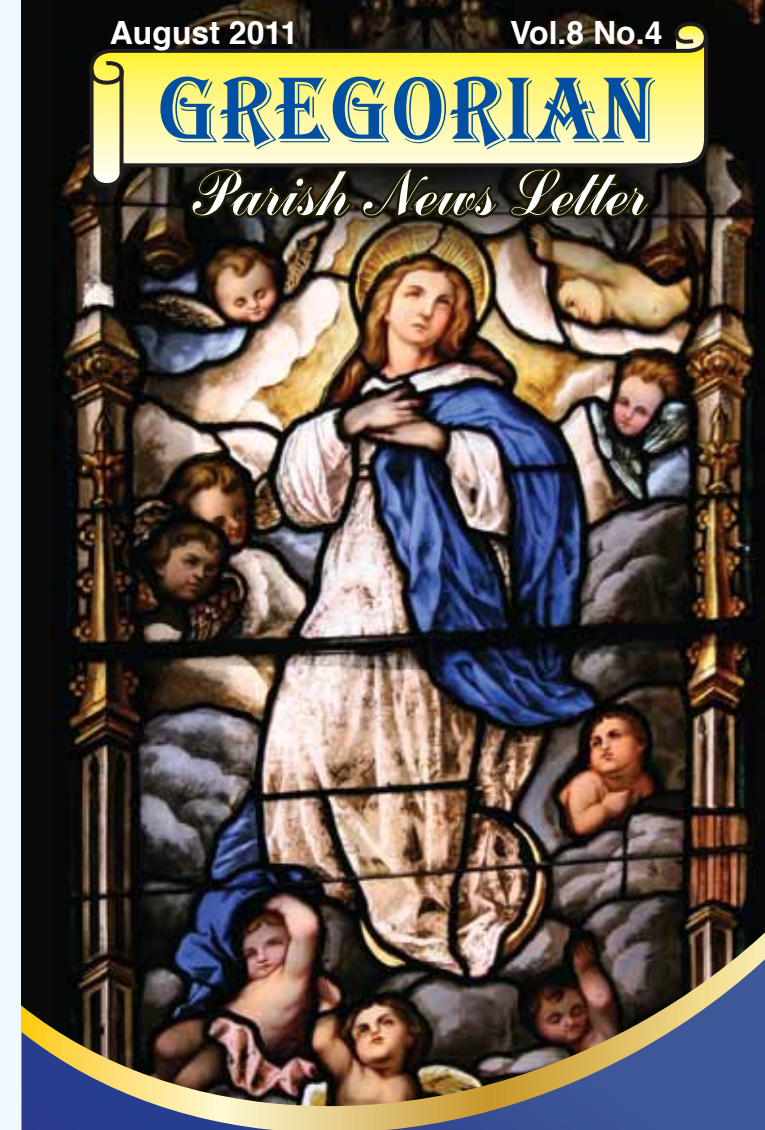


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Parish News Letter



15 Nombu

15 days lent starts on Monday 1st August and ends on Monday 15th August. Soonoyo lent is observed in the name of the mother of God and in remembrance of her Assumption. The Assumption of Mary was the bodily taking up of the Virgin Mary into Heaven at the end her earthly life. Let us submit ourselves to the Lord in the valuable intercession of St. Mary.

Feast of assumption (Soonoyo) will be celebrated at our parish on Sunday 14th August 2011 at St. George Chapel, Abbassiya from 6:30 pm.

OVBS



OVBS classes are scheduled to start on 4th August 2011 and ends on 18th Aug 2011.

Rev. Fr. Kurian Thomas Karippal (OBVS Director - Outside Kerala Region), a talented and gifted musician from Sruthi School of Liturgical Music, will lead this year's OVBS. He hails from famous Karippal family, Vakathanam, Kottayam.

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OVBS Schedule

Date	Day	Venue	Time	Event
04-Aug-11	Thursday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	OVBS 2011 Inauguration Day
06-Aug-11	Saturday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	Regular Class
08-Aug-11	Monday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	Regular Class
09-Aug-11	Tuesday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	Regular Class, No Holy Qurbana
10-Aug-11	Wednesday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	Regular Class
11-Aug-11	Thursday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	Regular Class
13-Aug-11	Saturday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	OVBS Class Inspection for Best Class Award
15-Aug-11	Monday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	OVBS Star Selection
16-Aug-11	Tuesday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	No Holy Qurbana. Love Feast (Sneha Virunnu) + Practice for final day
18-Aug-11	Thursday	NECK	3:30-6:30 pm	OVBS Closing Day Celebrations

8 Nombu & Annual Convention

Annual Convention will be held from September 1st to 8th. Rev.Fr. Mohan Joseph, from Kottayam will lead the convention. All parishioners are requested to attend the blessed event.

Convention Schedule

Day	Date	Venue	Time
Thursday	01-Sep-11	NECK	6:30-9:30 pm
Friday	02-Sep-11	NECK	7:00-9:30 pm
Saturday	03-Sep-11	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya	6:30-9:30 pm
Sunday	04-Sep-11	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya	6:30-9:30 pm
Monday	05-Sep-11	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya	6:30-9:30 pm
Tuesday	06-Sep-11	NECK	6:30-9:30 pm
Wednesday	07-Sep-11	Moonnimel Qurbana at Marina Hall	6:00-9:00 pm

Harvest Festival 2011

The annual Harvest Festival will be scheduled on Friday 11th November 2011. As in the past, we need your support, direction, co-operation and positive criticism to make this event a grand success.

St. Barsouma's Bachelors Prayer

St. Barsouma's Bachelors Prayer meeting will be held on Sunday 21st Aug. 2011, 6.30 pm at Peniel Auditorium, Hayat Optical Building, Near New Bahrain Exchange.

Brahmavar Prayer

The Bhamavar Prayer meeting will be held on Thursday 11th August, 8:00 pm at the residence of Mr. Alfred Lewis, Next to BEC Exchange, Abbassiya. Contact: 99869259

Orthodox Christian Youth Movement.

General Meeting will be held on Saturday 20th August, 2011 at 7:30 pm at St. George Chapel, Abbassiya. Monthly prayer meeting will be held on Saturday 27th August 2011 at 7:30 pm at Abbassiya Parsonage Office.

Half-day conference will be held on Wednesday 31st August 2011 at Chachoose Auditorium from 8.30 am. (Opp. Rainbow Shop)

Anti Alcoholism Movement

Anti Alcoholism Movement unit of our parish will be arranging a special study class on Tuesday 9th August 2011 from 7:30 pm at Abbassiya parsonage office. Rev. Fr. Dr. T.J. Joshua will deliver the speech.

Indian Orthodox Mercy Fellowship

IOMF monthly meeting will be held on Thursday 25th August 2011, 7:30 pm at United Indian School Auditorium, Abbassiya .

Mar Baselios Movement

Monthly Prayer Meeting will be held on Saturday 13th August, 8:00 pm at Peniel Auditorium, Abbassiya.

Rev. Fr. Kurian Thomas Karipal will attend the Prayer Meeting.

General Body Meeting will be held on Friday 26th August 2011 at 10:00 am. Venue will be announced later.

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Beloved in Christ,

In this sixth season of the Liturgical year, the two great festivals "The Feast of Transfiguration" and "The Feast of the Departure of St. Mary" are observed by the Church.

The Feast of the Transfiguration is observed on the 6th of August. According to the Gospel of St. Luke(9:29), St. Mark (9:2) and St. Mathew (17:2), the Transfiguration occurred when Jesus travelled to the top of the mountain to pray with three of the Apostles, St. Peter, St. John and St. James. Upon reaching the summit, Jesus was Transfigured, His entire body being filled with a shining white light. The term "Transfiguration", "Glorification" came from this incident. In 2nd letter of Peter (2:16-18), St. Peter described himself as eyewitness of His majesty. The primary significance of the transfiguration exists in the light which shines from Jesus' body on the mountaintop, which is typically held to be a sign of His internal divinity fully manifesting itself in the material world. It is also of time that he is called a Beloved Son by a heavenly voice, the first being when he was baptized by John the Baptist. The Transfiguration not only proclaims Christ's divine sonship, but foreshadows His future glory when He, as the Messiah will usher in the long awaited Kingdom.

In our liturgical tradition, we find that Virgin Saint Mary, as a human being died and at her burial, the Apostles came from various parts of the world and on the third day, her sacred body was translated into heaven. St. Mary is the essential core doctrine of the Church. She is the Person through whom our salvation came to the world. So, what is the place of St. Mary in the context of the life of the Church and in the history of the universe? The early Church Fathers talked about understanding of the salvation history, meaning of creation, meaning of the Time, and the meaning of God's purpose for creation. St. John of Damascus says that "The

incarnation of Christ was the mystery which was planned before the ages, and this was the eternal purpose of God. The Incarnation didn't happen as a second thought." It was the eternal purpose of God to come and unite Himself to the creation. This point is something pretty significant when we think of the way we look at Virgin Mary and of the whole idea that, when Christ came, He came in the fullness of time. The first real typology developed in the early Church about Mary as 'second Eve'. Justin Martyr, St. Jerome and St. Augustine, all of this heavy weights of the early century make reference to Blessed Mary as 'Second Eve'. St. John of Damascus says "The incarnation planned in history in the Time added necessarily includes Virgin Mary".

"Without leaving the bosom of The Heavenly Father, He who before is begotten without mother and became incarnate without father, who as God of righteousness, made His abode in the bosom of pure Mary; His descend without lineage is awesome and ineffable". In this early century prayer, we find how the Church regarded and incorporated Her in the worship. "O Virgin Saint Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at all times, and at the hour of our death. Amen"

Jose Achen

Mar Gregorios Movement

Spiritual Convention

(schedule published and available in the parish)



Rev. Dr. T. J. Joshua

MGM is organizing a Spiritual Convention (Theme is God in Man's Experience) at St. George Chapel, Abbasiya and NECK from 31st July to 8th August 2011 during Soonoyo Nombu. Rev. Dr. T. J. Joshua, one of the foremost orators of Malankara Orthodox Church, who is blessed with a golden tongue to propagate the word of God, will lead the Convention.

MGM Monthly Prayer meeting will be held on Wednesday 24th August 2011 from 8:00 pm. Venue will be informed later.

Family Welfare Scheme

The Family Welfare Scheme provides our parishioners an opportunity to help the needy without letting the right hand know what the left do. By enrolling yourself as a member of the scheme, you are inspiring yourself in helping someone

who is deserving and needy. Let us all be worthy and meaningful Christians who rejoice in god's abundant love and in turn transmit the supreme joy to the society also. We hereby request all parish members to be members of the scheme by paying a one-time fee of KD 5/- and thereby befitting ourselves as cornerstones that strengthen our church and the Kingdom of Heaven.

Prayer Meeting Schedule for August 2011								
Date	Time	Host	Group	Bldg #	Floor #	Flat #	Location	Telephone
05-08-2011	5:30 PM	Richard . M .Varghese	St. Behnan	27	2	11	Faiha Grocery Bldg.	2434 1730
12-08-2011		Aju Thomas		49	4	15	Beside Electrical Workshop(Old Cabin)	2434 0855
19-08-2011		Alexander Thomas Panicker		119	5	22	Opp. Al Razi Pharmacy, 2nd Bldg.	2433 1421
26-08-2011		Alexander T . P		119	5	20	Opp. Al Razi Pharmacy, 2nd Bldg.	2434 3735
26-08-2011	5:00 PM	Nithin Iype	St. Dionysius		3	2	Munira Complex, Eedee Store.	9972 0520
05-08-2011	5:00 PM	Liju Scariah	St. Elias				Madan Hair Saloon Bldg.	6675 1797
12-08-2011		Jacob Samuel					Opp Neethi Store Bldg.	9915 2776
19-08-2011		Ninan Thomas					Anwar Super Market Bldg. (Right Side)	6628 4523
26-08-2011		Sunu Joy Varghese					Double Bldg.	9930 5790
05-08-2011	5:00 PM	Thomas Koshy	St. George	1078	2	12	Sky Blue Supermkt, U Turn-Next To Red Bldg.	2433 4686
12-08-2011		Iype P.V		1078	8	40	Sky Blue Supermkt, U Turn-Next To Red Bldg.	2431 7638
19-08-2011		Jobi John		1078	3	17	Sky Blue Supermkt, U Turn-Next To Red Bldg.	2431 3661
26-08-2011		John Kurien		128	2	4	6th Bldg, Behind Tel-Exch Side.	2434 1517
26-08-2011	7:00 PM	Thomas Mathew (Sony)	St. James		3	48	Mughra Al Bin Shuhra, Opp. Nurses Hostel	2565 2616
26-08-2011	8:00 PM	James Peter	St. John	35	1	4	Orthodox Bldg. # 1	5531 8899
05-08-2011	5:30 PM	John Daniel John (Lalu)	St. Luke	28	1	2	Caesar's Travels Bldg.	2433 4678
12-08-2011		Roy Andrews		11	2	11	Old Choice Center Bldg.	2431 4278
19-08-2011		Kurien Varkey		40	3	11	Royal A/C Bldg.	9756 0329
26-08-2011		Santhosh P Mathew		14	5	37	Near Makka Store.	9780 6073
05-08-2011	5:30 PM	Sanitha George	St. Mark	1526	6	31	Ocean Engineering Bldg.	9958 7239
12-08-2011		Subin T		17	2	8	Labham Super Market Bldg.	9760 5595
19-08-2011		Koshy Bose K		9	4	15	Opp. Nice Restaurant.	6704 3757
26-08-2011		Roy K. K			3	12	Opp. Nice Restaurant.	6689 4894
05-08-2011	5:00 PM	Georgekutty Paulose	St. Mathew		4	19	Opp. Fitboy Tailors (New Bldg.)	9442 8615
12-08-2011		Thomas George			7	26	Behind Parsonage (New Bldg)	6659 5598
19-08-2011		Mathew Philip (Saji)			2	11	Opp. Mosque (Corner)	9915 9874
26-08-2011		Vinu Thomas			1	4	Opp. Unique Store (New Bldg.)	9754 7965
05-08-2011	5:30 PM	Ginu B Varkey	St. Paul		5	25	Opp. Holy Sweets	9763 6714
12-08-2011		Oommen Chacko (Sanu)		45	1	3	Queens Beauty -Old	2433 5759
19-08-2011		Jebi Thomas			3	13	Opp. Chithra Studio	2434 4950
26-08-2011		Manoj Alexander		144	5	52	Udupi Palace Left Side	2434 3298
05-08-2011	5:00 PM	Anil P Cheriyan	St. Philipose		5	25	Uduppi Rest. Bldg. (Near Integrated)	6625 2930
12-08-2011		Varghese Joy			4	13	Behind New Al-mulla Exch (Opp. Ardiya Spare)	6618 0682
19-08-2011		Binu K John			7	28	Dollarco Bldg.	5524 9078
26-08-2011		K.M.Joy			3	7	Opp. Learners Own Academy School	9969 4232
05-08-2011	5:30 PM	Stephen Thomas	St. Thomas	74	4	10	Success Line Bldg.	2434 2647
12-08-2011		Jacob Roy		26	2	7	Hassawi Rest Bldg.	6650 8109
19-08-2011		Mathew K.O		21	7	25	Golden Tree Rest Bldg.	9720 8914
26-08-2011		Biju Daniel		1772	2	16	Hi-Tech Shop Bldg.	9491 9575

Schedule of Worship for August 2011

Date	Time	Event	Venue
2nd TUE	5:15 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
5th FRI	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
5th FRI	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
5th FRI	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. Marys Chapel, Salwa.
6th SAT	7:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	Diwaniya, NECK
6th SAT	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
9th TUE	5:15 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
12th FRI	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
12th FRI	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana (Engl)	NECK
12th FRI	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. Marys Chapel, Salwa.
13th SAT	7:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	Diwaniya, NECK
13th SAT	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
14th SUN	6:30 PM	"Holy Qurbana	(Soonoyo)" St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
16th TUE	5:15 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
19th FRI	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
19th FRI	8:15 AM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
19th FRI	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. Marys Chapel, Salwa.
20th SAT	7:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	Diwaniya, NECK
20th SAT	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
23rd TUE	5:15 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK
26th FRI	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
26th FRI	6:30 AM	Holy Qurbana	St. Marys Chapel, Salwa.
27th SAT	7:00 AM	Holy Qurbana	Diwaniya, NECK
27th SAT	5:30 PM	Holy Qurbana	St. George Chapel, Abbassiya.
30th TUE	5:15 PM	Holy Qurbana	NECK

Lectionary for August 2011

Date	Old	Catholic	Pauline	Gospel
8/1/11	Exo37:1 -6	Jude 1 - 4	Phil 4:10 - 13	St.Lk 13:1 - 5
8/2/11	Exo37:7 -18	Jude 5 - 7	Phil 4:14 - 20	St.Lk 13:6 - 9
8/3/11	Exo37:19 -21	Jude 8 - 11	Phil 4:21 - 23	St.Lk 13:10 - 14
8/4/11	Exo38:1 -8	Jude 12- 15	Col 1:1-8	St.Lk 13:15- 17
8/5/11	Exo38:9 -12	Jude 16- 19	Col 1:9-14	St.Lk 13:18- 21
8/6/11	Deut 16:13 - 17	I John 2:23-3:1	Rom 11:25 - 36	St.Lk 9:27-36
8/7/11	Exo 3:9-15	I Pet 2:4-10	Heb 4:14 -5:5	St.Jn 6:47-59
8/8/11	Exo38:13-17	Jude 20- 25	Col 1:15-20	St.Lk 13:22 - 30
8/9/11	Exo38:18-25	Rev 1:1-3	Col 1:21-23	St.Lk 13:31 - 35
8/10/11	Exo38:26-27	Rev 1:4-8	Col 1:24-29	St.Lk 14:1 - 6
8/11/11	Exo39:1-12	Rev 1:9-11	Col 2:1 - 5	St.Lk 14:7 - 11
8/12/11	Exo39:13-23	Rev 1:12-20	Col 2:6- 15	St.Lk 14:12 - 14
8/13/11	Exo40:1-9	Rev 2:1-7	Col 2:16 - 23	St.Lk 14:15 - 24
8/14/11	Deut 4:1-6	Act 28:11-22	I Cor 6:1- 11	St.Luke 14:7-11
8/15/11	Exo 3:1-6,19:16-23	Act 1:12-14	Gal 4:1-7	St.Mt 12:46-50
8/16/11	Exo40:10-14	Rev 2:8-11	Col 3:1- 7	St.Lk 14:25 - 35
8/17/11	Exo40:15-27	Rev 2:12-17	Col 3:8- 11	St.Lk 15:1 - 7
8/18/11	Exo40:28-32	Rev 2:18-29	Col 3:12- 17	St.Lk 15:8 - 10
8/19/11	Lev 1:1-9	Rev 3:1 - 6	Col 3:18- 25	St.Lk 15:11 - 16
8/20/11	Lev 1:10-13	Rev 3:7 - 13	Col 4:1- 6	St.Lk 15:17 - 21
8/21/11	Exo 14:21-31	I John 2:22-29	Eph 6:10 -17	St.Lk 6:39-45
8/22/11	Lev 1:14-17	Rev 3:14 - 22	Col 4:7- 11	St.Lk 15:22 - 27
8/23/11	Lev 1:18-1	Rev 4:1 -5	Col 4:12 - 18	St.Lk 15:28 - 32
8/24/11	Lev 2:1-10	Rev 4:6 -11	Thess 1:1-5	St.Lk 16:1 - 4
8/25/11	Lev 2:11-16	Rev 5:1 -7	Thess 1:6-10	St.Lk 16:5 - 8
8/26/11	Lev 3:1-5	Rev 5:8 -14	Thess 2:1-7	St.Lk 16:9 - 13
8/27/11	Lev 3:6-11	Rev 6:1 -2	Thess 2:8-12	St.Lk 16:14 - 18
8/28/11	Gen 6:3-12	II Pet 3:8-14	II Thes 5:1- 11	St.Luke 11:9-26
8/29/11	Lev 3:12-17	Rev 6:3 - 4	Thess 2:13-16	St.Lk 16:19 - 23
8/30/11	Lev 4:1-12	Rev 6:5- 6	Thess 2:17-20	St.Lk 16:24 - 26
8/31/11	Lev 4:13-26	Rev 6:7- 8	Thess 3:1-5	St.Lk 16:27 - 31

Church Calendar for August 2011

Date	Event
1-Aug	Fast of the Assumption Begins (15 days)
6-Aug	Transfiguration of our Lord; Feast of the Tabernacle; Commemoration of late H.G. Alexios Mar Theodosius (Ranny)
15-Aug	Soonoyo - Feast of Assumption of St.Mary; Commemoration of Patriarch Mar Ignatius Abded Messiah (Devalokam)
19-Aug	Commemoration of late H.G. Joseph Mar Pachomios (Kandanad)
29-Aug	Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist
31-Aug	Commemoration of late H.G. Mathews Mar Ivanios (Pampady)