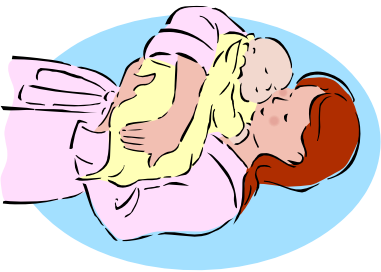


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Mother's Day
May 10th

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- 6) What was David's reaction to Abner's death?
 A - Rejoicing
 B - Anger
 C - Fear
 D - Remorse
- 7) What was the name of Jonathan's lame son?
 A - Ishbosheth
 B - Malchishua
 C - Jonadab
 D - Mephibosheth
- 8) How old was David when he began to reign?
 A - 20
 B - 30
 C - 40
 D - 50
- 9) How many years did he reign in Hebron?
 A - 1
 B - 3
 C - 7
 D - 12
- 10) How many years did he reign total?
 A - 20
 B - 30
 C - 40
 D - 50
- 11) Who was the priest who touched the ark and died?
 A - Abinadab
 B - Ahio
 C - Zadok
 D - Uzzah
- 12) Why did he touch it?
 A - He thought it was going to fall
 B - He was trying to open it
 C - He was cleaning it
 D - He fell on it
- 13) Whose house did they store the ark in?
 A - Abinadab's
 B - Obed-Edom's
 C - Ahio's
 D - David's
- 14) What did David do to upset his wife Michal?
 A - Swear
 B - Came home late
 C - Dance
 D - Got drunk
- 15) David asked Nathan the prophet if he could build God a house. What was Nathan's answer?
 A - Yes
 B - No
 C - Maybe
 D - I'll tell you later
- 16) When David fought the Moabites, how many of them did he execute?
 A - All of them
 B - A third
 C - A half
 D - Two thirds
- 17) Who was in charge of David's body-guard?
 A - Joab
 B - Abishai
 C - Benaiah
 D - Absalom
- 18) Where was David when he saw Bathsheba bathing?
 A - On the balcony
 B - On the roof
 C - Looking out his window
 D - In the woods
- 19) Who's wife was she?
 A - Joab's
 B - Benaiah's
 C - Abishai's
 D - Uriah's
- 20) What predicament did she and David find themselves in?
 A - She was pregnant
 B - They had been seen together
 C - Her husband had just died
 D - The Philistines attacked



Wedding Anniversaries in May!!

7	Mrs. & Mr. Simon Mathews	(908) 889-8179
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LIFE OF DAVID

Please email your answers to
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| 1) Where was David anointed king?
A - Jerusalem
B - Hebron
C - Shiloh
D - Salem | B - Abishai
C - Asahel
D - None of the above |
| 2) Which of Saul's sons actually took the throne?
A - Jonathan
B - Malchishua
C - Ishbosheth
D - Eliab | 4) Who was David's firstborn?
A - Amnon
B - Adonijah
C - Solomon
D - Absalom |
| 3) Which of the sons of Zeruah did Abner kill?
A - Joab | 5) Who killed Abner?
A - Joab
B - Abishai
C - Asahel
D - None of the above |

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ACHEN'S MESSAGE!



Dearly Beloved in Christ,

Mother's Day is an important one in the history of United States .In general, our culture treasures graciousness, especially in women. A gracious welcome by an experienced hostess gets an evening dinner party off to a great start. A gracious note of an encouragement can keep most of us going for a week - or a month - ever through difficult circumstances.

Mothers are the torch bearers of Christian faith and hope by become channels of God in their daily situations of life. As we have seen in Prov. 31: 10 - 31,with poetic flavor, this passage shows that a godly woman can find fulfillment in her home, in the community and in the career. This passage does not limit a woman's role to any one of these areas. some women will focus more on one of these aspects than on the others. The wife of noble character puts wisdom into the fabric of her life. " Her husband is respected at the city gate, where he takes his seat among the elders of the land. "[prov. 31: 23] We do need more women like Deborah, Hannah, Mary, Elizabeth, who rely upon the Lord and being blessed with a bright future.

As a Parish, we are celebrating the 10th Parish Day, Sunday School anniversary and the Mother's day from May 8 -10 and the Diocesan Episcopa will be our chief guest in this auspicious occasion. On behalf of the parish I welcome you all to join the services prayerfully.

On May 3rd Sunday we are learning about our response to the basic needs of the society.

May 10th ---The relevant mission of the Church.

May 17th-- The Lord who is with us in our crisis.

May 24th --DSM&C Day --Sing to the Lord.

May 31st --- PENTACUSTHI The Holy Spirit which renews everything .

As we are completing 10 years as a parish, let's thank God Almighty for all the provisions we received in the past, those who lead us in the past years and renew our commitment for a bright future. May God bless us all in the days to come.

with love & prayers

Toji Achen



Birthdays in May!!

17	Leena Sunoj Mathew	w/o Sunoj Mathew	(732) 855-1719
18	Lizy Mathew Thomas	w/o Mathew M. Thomas	(732) 549-1437
19	Mini Varghese	w/o Jacob Varghese	(732) 257-0094
19	R.K. Mathew		(732) 605-0370
20	Annie Cherian		(732) 393-9371
20	Tina Varghese	d/o Jacob Varghese	(732) 257-0094
22	Susan Matthews	w/o John Matthews	(732) 356-6192
23	Shaffi C. Varghese		(908) 337-5132
23	Ryan Thomas	s/o Davis C.Thomas	(732) 918-1171
24	Susan John	w/o Sunny John	(732) 752-9250
25	Joseph Prasad		(732) 845-0703
25	Sherbin Abraham	s/o Abraham Varghese	(732) 283-2777
25	Susamma Samuel	w/o Samuel Oommen	(973) 320-0412
25	Valsamma Mathai	w/o Mathai Cherian	(732) 561-2181
26	Soji Thomas	s/o Abraham M. Thomas	(908) 241-0638
26	Joseph Philip		(732) 662-5813
26	Shibu Varghese B-field		(973) 743-3374
27	Joseph John	s/o John Joseph	(732) 253-7020
27	Benoy Thomas		(732) 993-1120
28	Amal Abraham	s/o Byju Abraham	(908) 647-5362
28	Ria Grace Varughese	d/o Georgie Varughese	(732) 355-0830
28	Suman R. John	w/o Regi John	(732) 613-0623
29	Sumy Philip Cherukara	w/o Philip Cherukara	(732) 381-3633
29	Molly Mariam Sajan	w/o Chacko Poovakunnel	(908) 964-0735
29	Geetha Varughese	w/o Georgie Varughese	(732) 355-0830
30	Ragy Thomas		(732) 632-8892
31	Arun Cherian	s/o Annie Cherian	(732) 393-9371
31	Dale Oommen	s/o Samuel Oommen	(973) 320-0412
31	Mathai Cherian		(732) 561-2181
31	Sherly Shaji	w/o Shaji Varghese	(201) 675-8068



Birthdays in May!!

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1	Jaisamma S Varghese	w/o Shaffi C. Varghese	(908) 337-5132
1	Anup Cherian		(732) 318-6925
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5	Annamma Abraham	w/o Varughese Abraham	(732) 251-1728
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5	Shaji Varghese		(201) 675-8068
7	Annie Thomas	w/o Iype Thomas	(570) 620-0226
7	Aleyamma Kuruvilla		(973) 324-2205
8	Vincy Kurien	w/o Thomas Kurien	(908) 216-5933
10	Pramod Mathew		(732) 605-0370
11	Samuel Thomas		(973) 538-1192
11	Shibu Varghese (Edison)		(732) 494-4199
12	Jose Cherian		(908) 851-0603
12	Thomas Mathen		(616) 604-6563
12	Toby Prasad	s/o Philip Prasad	(732) 967-9272
13	Ashih P Mathew	s/o Mathai Cherian	(732) 561-2181
13	Nidhin Johnson	s/o Mathew Johnson	(732) 432-6444
13	Thomas Kurien		(908) 216-5933
14	Philip Prasad		(732) 967-9272
14	Roshan Panicker	s/o Jacob Panicker	(908) 994-0428
14	Neelu Paul	w/o Ragy Thomas	(732) 632-8892
15	Annamma Shibu	w/o Shibu Varghese	(732) 494-4199
15	Ranni Thomas	w/o Sunil Thomas	(732) 750-5993
15	Saramma Pappachen	w/o Andrew Pappachen	(973) 227-4129
15	Alan S Cheriyan	s/o Shaiju K Cheriyan	(732) 593-8032
16	Jincy Varughese	d/o Varughese Abraham	(732) 251-1728
16	Sheeja Saju Abraham	w/o Saju Abraham	(732) 605-9888
17	Andrew Pappachen		(973) 808-2077

ANNOUNCEMENTS!



Episcopal Visit

Our Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theodosius Episcopa will be visiting our Parish from 8th-10th May 2009.

Friday May 8th: Family fellowship meeting with Thirumeni is arranged at 7:30pm at our Church. All are requested to attend. Thirumeni would like to meet all of us.

Saturday May 9th: Thirumeni would like to meet with the Young Couples of the Church, at 10:00 am. All young couples and young families are encouraged to attend.

Sunday May 10th: Thirumeni will be the celebrant of the Holy Qurbana Service at 10:00 am. The Parish day offertory will be collected during Holy Qurbana. This will be donated to the Mexico Mission. Your special envelope is enclosed.

Parish Day Celebration

The 10th Parish Day will be celebrated on Saturday May 9th, 2009 at 4:00pm our Church. Parish day celebration is organized along with Sunday School Anniversary program on 9th May. Our Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theodosius Episcopa will be the chief guest. Please attend the meeting with your family and friends with prayer.

First Communion:

First Holy Communion Service will be conducted on Sunday May 10th. Please contact Achen for further details.

Edavaka Mission

Edavaka Mission prayer meeting will be held on Wednesdays 7:30 pm at church. All are request to attend the prayer meeting. Fasting prayer for this month will be at church on May 16th at 10:00 am.

Sunday School

Sunday School Anniversary:

Sunday School anniversary will be held on Saturday, May 9th, 2009 at 4:00pm at our church. This year's anniversary meeting will be combined with the 10th Parish Day of our Church. Rt. Rev. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theodosius Episcopa, diocesan Bishop will be the chief guest.

Diocesan Exam:

The Diocese Exam for Grades 5 through 10, will be held on May 3rd, 2009. The exam will start at 12:00 pm. Please bring your children well equipped for the examination.

Fund Raiser:

Sunday school Annual Fund raiser program will be held on 31st May 2009 at our church after the Holy Communion service.

Condolences

Beloved mother (Mrs. Grace Varghese, 74) of Mr. Geogie Varghese was called to eternity last month in Kerala. We pray for God's comfort and we extend our deepest condolences to the bereaved family. Please keep the bereaved family in your prayers.

Notice

Please keep our church sanctuary and church premise clean. Eating and drinking is not allowed inside the sanctuary at any time. Use the downstairs rooms for changing diapers, eating and drinking. If you eat or drink outside (parking lot or grass), please dispose the garbage properly.

We all need to work together to keep **our church clean**.

Worship Time Change:

Effective May 17, 2009, Holy Qurbana services will start at 9:00 am, till last week of August.

Date	Time	Celebrant	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Epistle	Gospel	Sunday School
3 May	10:00 AM	Response to basic needs - Metropolitan Fund (3rd Sunday after Easter)					
		Rev. Abraham Cherian English	Exo.16:1-20	Acts. 4:32-37	2 Cori.8:1-10	St.Luke 10:25-37	9:00 AM Sunday School
10 May	10:00 AM	Relevant Mission of the Church (4th Sunday after Easter)/ Holy Communion in English/ First Communion Celebration					
		Rt. Rev. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theodosius Episcopa	1 Chro.16:1-15	Acts.11:19-30	Eph.4:11-16	St.Mat. 5:13-20	9:00 AM Sunday School
17 May	9:00 AM	Lord who is with us in Crisis (5th Sunday after Easter)					
		Rev. Abraham Cherian Malayalam	Josh.1:1-10	2 Cor.4:7-18	1 Thes.1:1-12	St.Mat. 28:16-20	No Sunday School
24 May	9:00 AM	Sing unto the Lord' - (Sacred Music Sunday)					
		Rev. Abraham Cherian Malayalam	Isa.6:1-8	Col.3:12-17	Eph. 5:15-21	St.Luke 2:34-39	No Sunday School
31 May	9:00 AM	Pentecost: "Holy Spirit who renews Everything" (50th Day after Easter) Divine Service					
		Rev. Abraham Cherian Divine Service	Isa.61:1-11	Acts.2:1-13	1 Cor.12:1-12	St.John 16:5-14	No Sunday School