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Indispensable

A talented stay-at-home mother wrote a delightful essay in which she vividly describes (without complaining) the frustrations, sacrifices, and loneliness that accompany her chosen lifestyle. It's not glamorous to deal with a fussy 18-month-old who is teething, to settle quarrels between an irrational 3-year-old and a pushy 5-year old, and to listen to the incessant chatter of small children. Yet she concludes that her role is indispensable for the total well-being of her children. How true!

The importance of a godly mother's role in the life of a child cannot be overemphasized. Think of Timothy, for example, the young man the apostle Paul considered his spiritual son and a valuable partner in ministry. In his second letter to him, Paul recalled how Timothy had been influenced by "the genuine faith" of his grandmother Lois and his mother Eunice (2 Timothy 1:5). God used two generations of loving mothers to prepare Timothy for the crucial work he would have in spreading the gospel and establishing congregations of believers in Christ.

Let's praise the Lord for mothers who not only care for their children physically but also nurture them spiritually. Mothers like that are indispensable!

God has conferred on motherhood
A true nobility,
And she who gladly fills that role
Can shape man's destiny. —D. De Haan

No man is poor who has had a godly mother. -Abraham Lincoln
From Our Daily Bread May 9, 2004



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YOUR FATHER HAS AGREED TO STAY AWAKE IN CHURCH TODAY SINCE IT IS MOTHER'S DAY ... IT WOULD BE NICE IF YOU WOULD DO THE OPPOSITE FOR ONCE



BIBLE QUIZ

Please send your answers to Jose Cherian,
E-mail: Jose_newjersey@hotmail.com.

At the end of the year, your earned points will be totaled and the top scorers will get prizes!!

JOSEPH

...Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith... Hebrews 12:1

1) Who was Joseph's mother?

A - Leah; B - Rachel; C - Rebekah; D - Sarah

2) When Joseph was 17, he had a dream about _____.

A - his future wife; B - killing a lion; C - walking on water; D - sheaves

3) Why did Joseph receive a coat of many colors from Israel?

A - Israel loved Joseph; B - Joseph was cold; C - Joseph paid the highest price; D - It matched Joseph's wardrobe

4) While Joseph was a slave in Egypt, what position did he hold?

A - Food taster; B - Overseer; C - Chief; D - Bodyguard

5) Who was in prison with Joseph?

A - Joseph's brothers; B - Wild beasts; C - A court jester; D - The chief cupbearer and the chief baker

6) Which brother came up with another suggestion for dealing with Joseph, while the others talked of killing him?

A - Naphtali; B - Simeon; C - Reuben; D - Dan

7) What did Joseph do for Pharaoh?

A - he played the harp for him; B - he planted a vineyard; C - he interpreted his dream; D - he gave Pharaoh his coat of many colors

8) How old was Joseph when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt?

A - 39 years; B - 25 years; C - 30 years; D - 42 years

9) What were the names of Joseph's two sons?

A - Hophni and Phineas; B - Manasseh and Ephraim; C - Judah and Gad; D - Absalom and Amnon

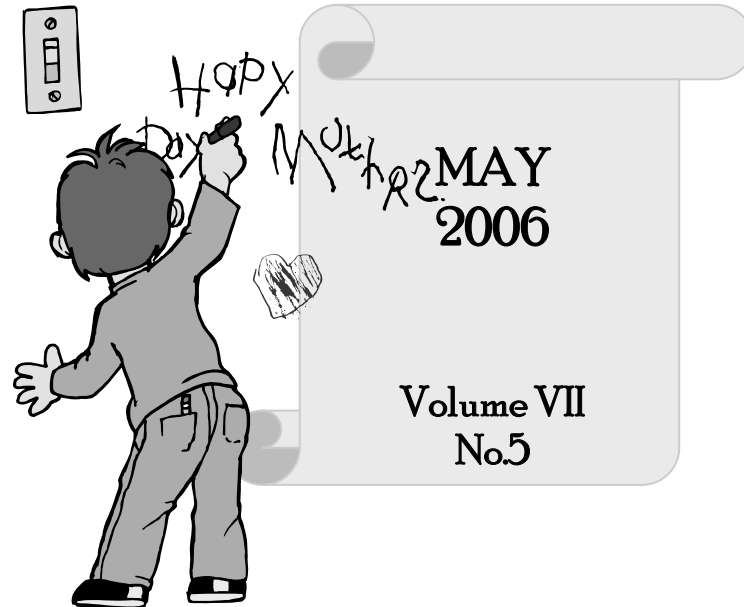
10) Which of the following was not a half-brother of Joseph?

A - Benjamin; B - Reuben; C - Judah; D - Levi

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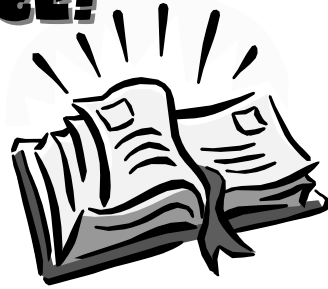


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ACHEN'S MESSAGE!

Dearly Beloved in Christ,



In the month of May we observe the Nurses' Day. We cannot forget the contribution that our members who work as nurses have been doing to their families and the church. The glory of God is man fully alive, said an early Christian writer. God gets His fair share of glory from the nurses who go on wiping the fevered brow of a sick world.

We also observe Mothers' Day this month. Motherhood is a great call of God. There is a saying, 'God cannot be every where that He created mothers.' Let's thank God for all the mothers for their commitment to the family and to the society. We've to remember and pray for the many children who are deprived of mother's love and affection.

I appreciate all those who have their graduation these days. God is the source of wisdom and truth. So honoring God with all our being is very important.

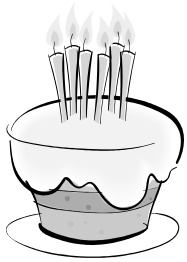
The summer is at hand and it is the time of our many activities. Let's hope and pray that in and through everything we know each other better and grow in Christian understanding. Let's also uphold our parish and her many needs in our prayer. As we complete two years as St. Stephen's Achen and family we thank God for each one of you for your prayer, love and concern for us.

May the Lord bless you.
Yours in His Love,
Thomas Paul Achen.

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19 R. K. Mathew		(732) 605-0370
20 Annie Cherian		(732) 393-9371
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22 Susan Matthews	w/o John Matthews	(732) 356-6192
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25 Susamma Samuel	w/o Samuel Oommen	(973) 320-0412
26 Soji Thomas	s/o Abraham Thomas. M.	(908) 241-0638
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
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31 Arun Cherian	s/o Annie Cherian	(732) 393-9371
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The St. Stephen's Family wishes you
A Blessed New Year!



Birthdays in May!!

1	Mathew Keecheril		(732) 418-1548
2	Subin Varghese Abraham	s/o Abraham Varghese	(732) 283-2777
5	Sohmie R. Steele	G.d/o Joseph N.John	(732) 752-5033
5	Annamma Susan Abraham	w/o Varughese Abraham	(732) 251-1728
7	Anila Ann Abraham	d/o Abraham Kurien	(732) 840-2350
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
8	Roy. M. Thomas	s/o Mathew Thomas	(908) 964-4945
10	Pramod Mathew		(732) 605-0370
11	Dr. Samuel Thomas		(973) 538-1192
11	Shibu Varghese		(732) 494-4199
12	Ani George Alexander		(732) 271-8558
12	Jose Cherian		(908) 851-0603
12	Toby Prasad	s/o Philip Prasad	(732) 967-9272
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	Rani Sunil Thomas	w/o Sunil Thomas	(732) 750-5993
15	Samma Pappachen	w/o Andrew Pappachen	(973) 808-2077



ANNOUNCEMENTS!

PRAYER MEETING

There will be a prayer meeting on Saturday May 6, at 6:30pm at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Philip Mathews (Sabu & Suja), 1918 Arlington Ave, North Brunswick. Their telephone number is (732) 297-8303.

There will be a prayer meeting on Saturday May 13, at 5pm at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. Iype Thomas, P. O. Box 205, Henryville, P.A. Their telephone number is (570) 620-0226.

BIRTH

Ranjit & Ragi are blessed with a baby girl on April 10th. Baby's name is Sanjana. Congratulations to the happy parents. Also congratulations to the proud grand parents Abraham & Susan Mattapallil.



BEREAVEMENT

Beloved father of Leelamma (Joy & Leelamma) was called to eternity on April 18. Funeral was on Friday April 21 at Edayarunmula. He was 82 years old. We, the St. Stephen's family express our condolence to the bereaved family especially Leelamma's mother.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

1. Mr. & Mrs. Thomas John
1-Bucknell Drive, East Brunswick, NJ 08816
Tel: (732) 651-8867
2. Mr. & Mrs. Sunil Skariah Varghese
2-Tasley Court, Robbinsville, NJ 08691
Tel: (609) 275-9334.
3. Mr. & Mrs. Shaji Jacob Koshy
99-Green Grove, Apt # 46, Keyport, NJ 07735
Tel: (732) 203-0503.

YOUTH

Youth Retreat — June 2,3,4 at Jeronimo Resort, Walker Valley, NY. The retreat weekend will be loaded with great music, speakers, fun and games. So make sure you do not miss this great opportunity!! Contact Geethu or Nanu for more details. www.jeronimo.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL

May 2006 Sunday school schedule:

05/07 - Sunday school only for diocesan classes

05/14 - Diocesan Exam

05/21 - Sunday school after Qurbana (before Sermon)

05/28 - Sunday school after offertory

Upcoming activities:

Sunday school Competition (June), Sunday school Fair (June)

VBS (July), Lancaster Sight & Sound show (TBD)

Please visit the following link for all Sunday school details:

<http://www.ststephensmtc.com/suns/>



Wedding Anniversaries in May!!

May 3	Ani George & Manju Alexander	(732) 271-8558
May 7	Simon & Annamma Mathew	(908) 889-8179
May 20	A. Abraham & Aleyamma Abraham	(732) 252-6226
May 20	Saju & Sosa Tina Thomas	(609) 466-1474
May 22	Dr. Nebu Alexander & Dr. Sunitha John	(973) 736-0604
May 23	Daniel & Sosamma Varghese	(908) 688-2830
May 28	Bobby & Anna M. Thomas	(732) 873-7580
May 28	Andrew & Saramma Pappachen	(973) 808-2077

*The St. Stephen's Family wishes you
a Happy Anniversary!*

DATE	TIME	CELEBRANT	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Epistle	Gospel	Sunday School
7 May	10.45 A.M	Rev. Thomas Paul (English)	Leviticus 19:9-16	Acts 4:32-37	II Cor. 8:1-9	Mathew 25:31-46	Only for diocesan classes
14 May	10.45 A.M	Rev. Thomas Paul (Malayalam)	II Kings 7:3-9	Acts 18:24-28	I John 1:1-10	Mathew 28:16-20	Diocesan Exam
21 May	10.45 A.M	Rev. Thomas Paul (English)	Isaiah 12:1-6	Acts. 2:22-36	Philippians 2:1-11	John 12:20-32	After Communion
28 May	10.45 A.M	Rev. Thomas Paul (Malayalam)	Exodus 15:1-21	Revelation 4:1-11	Colossians 3:12-17	Luke 1:46-55	After Offertory