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DATE	TIME	SERVICE ORDER
December 06	10:30 AM	English
December 13	10:30 AM	Malayalam
December 20	10:30 AM	English (Youth Sunday)
December 24 (Thursday)	6:30 PM	Christmas Carol & Play
December 25 (Friday)	9:30 AM	★ English <i>Merry Christmas</i>
December 27	10:30 AM 8:00 AM	Malayalam English Divine Service
December 31 (Thursday)	10:00 PM	Malayalam Watch Night Service

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DECEMBER 2009 - NEWSLETTER



"Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord" Luke 2: 11

Vicar : Rev. Dr. K.V.Thomas
Phone: 201-692-9565

Sunday Worship: 10:30AM
Sunday School: 9:00AM

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DECEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE



DATE	TIME	WORSHIP ORDER
December 06	10:30 AM	Holy Communion - English <i>'Word of God Light to the World'</i>
December 13	10:30 AM	Holy Communion - Malayalam <i>'Divine Plan of Salvation'</i>
December 20	10:30 AM	Holy Communion - English <i>'Youth Fellowship Sunday'</i>
December 24 (Thursday)	6:30 PM	Christmas Carol Service
★ December 25 (Friday)	9:30 A.M.	Holy Communion - English <i>'Birth of our Lord'</i> ★
December 27	10:30 A.M. 8:00AM	Holy Communion - Malayalam <i>'Church's solidarity with the poor'</i> English Divine Service
December 31 (Thursday)	10:00 PM	Holy Communion - Malayalam Watch Night Service

Christmas

Thank You Jesus!

Thank you Jesus for protecting, providing and keeping us safe this year. We commit our Parish and each one of us into your hands, guide us and lead us in all that we do in the New Year.

Happy New Year, Welcome 2010!!





DECEMBER LECTIONARY



DATE	BIBLE LESSONS	READ BY
December 06	Genesis 1: 1- 24 II Timothy 3: 10-17	Prem Alexander Marina Noble
December 13	Isaiah 40: 1-11 Revelations 2: 12-17	Subhash Mathew Shibi A Thomas
December 20	Isaiah 11: 1-10 I John 5: 1-12	Justin Thomas Sheeja S Mathews
December 25	Micah 5: 1-9 Colossians 1: 15-20	Christian G Philip Aashlin Thomas
December 27 10:30AM	Amos 8 : 1- 7 II Corinthians 9: 6-15	Joji John Pushpa John
December 27 8:00AM	Amos 8 : 1- 7 II Corinthians 9: 6-15	Ashley George Jennifer George
December 31	Isaiah 55: 6-13 Hebrews 13: 7-21	Reji Joseph Sini Joseph

Congratulations!

***Our Sunday school Students did it again!
Thanks for making us proud by winning the
First overall prize in the South East
Regional Sunday School competitions held
in Philadelphia.***

We have a bright future!



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~Vicar's Message~

Dearly beloved in Christ,

Greetings! We are very close to another year. For the last eleven months the Lord God has been very gracious to all of us. Through different ways He guided us and sustained in the midst of the economic recession and its after effects. Let us rejoice in the Lord for He is good and His love endures forever.

Now we are in the advent season. Christmas is near. Jesus was born for the whole world. His name denotes His mission, 'He will save his people from their sins' – Savior. Do we realize the need of sharing the good news of the birth of Jesus Christ to our fellow humans? Remember the words of the angel who appeared to the shepherds, "I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people".

The world is in need of knowing the good news. The world needs salvation, redemption and that is possible only through Jesus Christ, because He is Messiah, the Anointed one of God, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He alone has the authority to forgive sins.

Christmas proclaims the nearness of God to human. "The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us." He is with us in our joyful moments and in sorrowful moments. He is no more unreachable or unapproachable, but He is very close to us, God with us, Immanuel.

Wish you all Joyous & Blessed Christmas.

God Bless,
Your loving K. V. Thomas Achen.

BIRTHDAYS - DECEMBER

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Happy Birthday! We thank God for protecting you the past year and pray that God's blessings be upon you in the new year. Please participate in the Birthday thanksgiving prayer during Sunday worship service.

NAME	ADDRESS	DATE
<i>O.A. Abraham</i>	<i>208 Thomas Drive</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Puliyelil M. George</i>	<i>486 Washington Ave</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Ajish P. Varghese</i>	<i>324 Harris Pl.</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Manish M. Samuel</i>	<i>466 Albert Place</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>George Mathew</i>	<i>9 Passaic Avenue</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Sosamma Thomas</i>	<i>99 Stillman Ave.</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Susamma Oommen</i>	<i>24 Beverly Road</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Mary Thomas</i>	<i>441 Greenwich St.</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Amy Abraham</i>	<i>208 Thomas Drive</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Rudy M. Malayil</i>	<i>16 Holly Ct.</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Thomas M. Thomas</i>	<i>99 Stillman Ave.</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Jinu Thomas</i>	<i>982 Pleasant Drive</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Aaron Cherian</i>	<i>16 Simpson Ct.</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Anthony P. Thomas</i>	<i>301 'A' Reichelt Ave</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Teena Joseph</i>	<i>9 Passaic Avenue</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Sujith Kurian</i>	<i>41 Marinus Street</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Prem Alexander</i>	<i>49 Monroe Ave</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Shaji Abraham</i>	<i>2-20 29th St.</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Johann Alexander</i>	<i>49 Monroe Avenue</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Jiji John</i>	<i>474 Vandyke Ave</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Mariamma Samuel</i>	<i>102 S. Fairfield Dr.</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Gini Varghese</i>	<i>10 Overbrook Pl</i>	<i>9</i>

2009 Christmas House Caroling Dates & Locations:

Thanks to following families who volunteered to host the Start and Stop sessions.

DATE	DAY	STATUS	TIME	AREA	RESIDENCE OF	ADDRESS
Dec 05	Saturday	Start	03:00PM	B	Thomas Thuthikadathil	79 Morgan Street, Bergenfield (201) 385-5731
Dec 05	Saturday	End	9:30PM	B	Mathew P Varghese	34 Sunset Place, Bergenfield (201) 439-0429
Dec 06	Sunday	Start	03:00PM	A	John Thomas	512 Kipp Street, Teaneck (201) 692-0454
Dec 06	Sunday	End	9:30PM	A	P. J. Mathew	88 Oak Street, Teaneck (201) 836-3157
Dec 11	Friday	Start	06:30PM	E	Jacob Varghese	9 W. Oldis St. Rochelle Pk. (201) 587-8985
Dec 11	Friday	End	9:30PM	E	Joseph T. John	139 Lee Avenue, Haledon (973) 942-8058
Dec 12	Saturday	Start	03:00PM	C	George Thomas	420 Monroe Ave, New Milford (201) 214-6000
Dec 12	Saturday	End	9:30PM	C	T. S. Chacko	399 Graphic Blvd, New Milford (201) 262-5979
Dec 13	Sunday	Start	03:00PM	D	Saji T Mathew	743 Hillside Avenue, Hillside (201) 664-5968
Dec 13	Sunday	End	9:30PM	D	Dr. George Jacob	2 Katharina Pl, Washington Twsp (201) 447-6609

Note: Detailed routes and time of visit for each house will be e-mailed to all in the first week of December.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2009 Christmas Carol Service

Christmas Carol Service and Christmas play will be held on Thursday December 24, 2009, 6:30PM at the church.

*Christmas Day Holy Communion Service will begin @
9:30AM*



Condolences:

Please remember the following members and their families as they endure the loss of a loved one. Let us extend our heartfelt condolences to them. May the Lord grant His peace to the bereaving family members during this difficult time.

Rev. Mathew Thomas (35) Vicar of St. James MTC, Delhi was called home on October 30, 2009. Achen leaves behind his wife, Leena Kochamma and mother Mrs. Mariamma Thomas. Funeral was conducted on November 2, 2009 at Vattakottal Christ MTC, Kumbanad, Kerala.



Rev. M. T. Joseph (80) uncle of Shibu Mathew, 165 Eagle Avenue, New Milford was called to eternal rest on November 9, 2009. Rev. Joseph of Makankunnu, Kerala was a retired Jacobite Kor-Episcopa.

Major T.I Alexander (Retired, 84), Venmony, Kerala, Uncle of Thomas Thuththikadathil, 79 Morgan Street, Bergenfield was called to his eternal home on November 14, 2009.

2009 DUES

*Please submit all your 2009 Church dues by Sunday,
December 27, 2009.*

BIRTHDAYS - DECEMBER

NAME	ADDRESS	DATE
<i>Christian George Philip</i>	<i>547 Princeton St.</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Shreeja Susan Mathews</i>	<i>212 A Woodridge St.</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Andria M. Babu</i>	<i>70 Somers Ave</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>Thomas George</i>	<i>49 Surrey Lane</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Albin Mammen</i>	<i>223 Merrit Ave</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>Mariamamma Thomas</i>	<i>54 Pleasant Ave</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Verna Ly Texeira</i>	<i>301 Harding Ave</i>	<i>13</i>
<i>Abraham Varghese</i>	<i>300 South Drive</i>	<i>14</i>
<i>Aashna S Varkey</i>	<i>108 Arthur Street</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Philip Abraham</i>	<i>6 Pepperidge Rd</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Jacob Mathew</i>	<i>36 Paula Drive</i>	<i>15</i>
<i>Gregory P. Varghese</i>	<i>324 Harris Pl.</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Sosamma Chacko</i>	<i>73 Delaware Ave</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Shirey Abraham</i>	<i>220 Floral Lane</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Shibi P. John</i>	<i>4 Linden Pl.</i>	<i>17</i>
<i>Ashley George</i>	<i>244 Jolene Ct.</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Princy Philip</i>	<i>140 Kinderkamack Rd</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>Sheline Samuel</i>	<i>102 S. Fairfield Dr.</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Thomas George</i>	<i>756 George Street</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Justin Thomas</i>	<i>99 Stillman Ave.</i>	<i>20</i>
<i>Mariamamma Abraham</i>	<i>6 Pepperidge Rd</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Aleykutty P. Samuel</i>	<i>172 Arundel Road.</i>	<i>21</i>

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<i>Subhash Mathew</i>	<i>3 Hoitsma Court</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Shibi A. Thomas</i>	<i>34 Williamson Rd.</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Catharine T. Philip</i>	<i>29 Brownstone Terr.</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Sujith John</i>	<i>43 Terrace St.</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>M.K. Thomas</i>	<i>1219 River Rd.</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Sosamma Samuel</i>	<i>896 East Lawn Ave</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Tom Samuel</i>	<i>67 Van Valkenburg Ave</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Sajeetha V. Jacob</i>	<i>399 Graphic Blvd.</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Aashlin Thomas</i>	<i>420 Monroe Ave</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>Jeanie Thomas</i>	<i>79 Morgan St</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>John Oommen</i>	<i>24 Beverly Rd.</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>Ashley Mary Alex</i>	<i>53 Greenbriar St.</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>Deny P. Varghese</i>	<i>8 Hillock Ave</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>Joses Thomas</i>	<i>345 Hobart Ave</i>	<i>28</i>
<i>Jennifer R. George</i>	<i>244 Jolene Ct.</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>Siya Mathew</i>	<i>405 Kehoe Ct.</i>	<i>30</i>
<i>Stefan John</i>	<i>184 E Howard Drive</i>	<i>30</i>

2010 Office Bearers:

Vice President:	P. J. Mathew
Secretary:	Saji T. Mathew
Treasurer:	Varghese Jacob
Accountant:	John Thomas

★ WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES - DECEMBER ★

We wish the following couples a very happy Wedding Anniversary. Please attend and partake in the thanksgiving prayer during the Holy Communion Service.

NAME	ADDRESS	DATE
<i>Joy & Rachel Daniel</i>	<i>132 Grove Street</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Wilson & Tina Mathai</i>	<i>12128 Balzeberry Dr</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>Joji & Pushpa John</i>	<i>12 Pershing Ave</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Abraham & Monica Mathew</i>	<i>848 Country Club Dr</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Mrs. & Mr. Prem Alexander</i>	<i>49 Monroe Ave</i>	<i>27</i>
<i>Thomas Abraham & Susmitha</i>	<i>270 Roslyn Court</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>Biju & Sunaina Mathew</i>	<i>1111 River Rd. B-25</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>Prashanth & Anu Palackamannil</i>	<i>158 Anderson Ave</i>	<i>29</i>
<i>Reji & Mariamma Joseph</i>	<i>26 S Franklin Ave.</i>	<i>30</i>

*"Yes, I am with you
always, until the
very end of time"*

Matthew 28:20

