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Date	Time	Worship Order
May 1st	10:30 AM	Holy Communion– Malayalam
May 8th	10:30 AM	Holy Communion– English
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May 22nd	10:30 AM	Holy Communion– English
May 29th	8:00 AM	Divine Service-English
May 29th	10:30 AM	Holy Communion– Malayalam

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## May 2011—Newsletter

Vicar: Rev. M. S. Daniel

Phone # 201-692-9565

Sunday School: 9:00 AM

Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM

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## 2011 Mar Thoma Family Conference

The 2011 Mar Thoma Family Conference, Diocese of North America and Europe, hosted by Trinity Mar Thoma Church, Edmonton, will be held on June 30—July 3, 2011 at Radisson Inn, Gateway Blvd, Edmonton. The theme of this year's conference is "If you hold to me teachings, you are my disciples" based on John 8:31. The conference will be led by Rt. Rev. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theodosius, Rt. Rev. Joseph Mar Barnabas, Rev. Dr. Joe Joseph Kuruvilla, and Rev. Dr. Martin Alphonse. Please visit the conference website ([www.mtfc2011.org](http://www.mtfc2011.org)) for more details.

*Wishing all the Mothers a  
Happy Mothers Day!*



### BIBLE QUIZ-5 (con't)

20. Paul met Aquila & Priscilla at Athens. **T/F**  
21. At Ephesus many who believed in Jesus confessed their evil deeds. **T/F**  
22. Paul was given the task to testify to the gospel of God's grace. **T/F**  
23. Paul disliked going to Jerusalem for fear of receiving bad treatment. **T/F**  
24. Ananias ordered those standing near Paul to strike him on the mouth. **T/F**  
25. Governor Felix left Paul free after listening to his argument. **T/F**  
26. King Agrippa was not convinced of Paul's innocence. **T/F**  
27. At Crete Paul warned the centurion of the impending danger at sea. **T/F**  
28. At Rome Paul was unable to preach boldly & without hindrance. **T/F**

### Answers of Bible Quiz-4 (Book of JOHN)

1-e (1:8), 2-q (1:45), 3-r (1:40), 4-s (3:3-4), 5-k (4:10, 11), 6-n (4:42), 7-l (4:50), 8-f (6:27), 9-c (7:3,4), 10-o (8:44), 11-d (8:56), 12-v (10:10), 13-u (10:11), 14-h (11:24), 15-b (11:51-52), 16-j (12:11), 17-i (12:43), 18-p (13:38), 19-a (13:27,28), 20-g (14:5), 21-m (16:8), 22-t (18:39 & 19:14)

### CONGRATS! WINNERS OF BIBLE QUIZ-4

Aleyamma George, Aleyamma M. Thomas, Annamma P John, Annamma Varghese, Joji & Pushpa, Lilly Thomas, Mary Koshy, Mary Simon, Monica Abraham, Philomina John, Sallamma Oommen, Sally George, Shalini & Elizabeth Jacob, Shijin George, Sisily Mathew, Thomas George  
**(Total Participants: 18)**

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### **Vicar's Message**

Dearly Beloved in Christ,  
Loving Greetings!

“Do not be afraid...He is not here; He has risen,  
just as He said”. (Matthew 28: 5,6)

The open grave is our testimony to the world that Jesus lives! Once the weaker mouths sang Hosanna to the king of kings but today the heavenly choir joins in continuously singing praise to God for His redemptive work. We have now a savior who can steer us through the darkest hours of our life. We have his promises of victory over every disappointing thought and confusing circumstances. All we need to do is believe on His grace to supply our needs. As we meditate on His word & allow it to sink in our lives, it can chip away rough attitudes and implant broader and positive outlook to life. The weapon of victory is ours for free! Let's use it frequently to put out the darts of the Evil one & enjoy the fullness of life that Christ has earned for each one of us. All nature blooms, and the creation rejoices, then why shouldn't we?

I thank you deeply for opening your house for the lent prayers and for participating in all the services in connection with the Passion Week.

The Sunday school exams are scheduled in the month of May and I request all parents to encourage their children to prepare & participate in these exams.

With prayers,  
M. S. Daniel Achen

<b>Worship Schedule</b>		
<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Worship Order</b>
May 1st	10:30 AM	Holy Communion– Malayalam “Christ’s appearance to Apostle Thomas” (First Sunday after Easter) Metropolitans Fund <b>Sunday School - 9AM</b>
May 8th	10:30 AM	Holy Communion - English “Live in the Risen Lord” (2nd Sunday after Easter) Mother’s Day <b>Sunday School - 9AM</b>
May 15th	10:30 AM	Holy Communion– Malayalam “Jesus Who walks with us in crisis” (3rd Sunday after Easter) Sunday School Diocesan Exam <b>Sunday School - 9AM</b>
May 22nd	10:30 AM	<i>Holy Communion—English</i> “With Psalms and Hymns” Sacred Music Sunday (4th Sunday after Easter) Sunday School Anniversary Last Day of Sunday School <b>Sunday School - 9AM</b>
May 29th	8:00 AM	Divine Service-English “Jesus the Resurrection and Life” (5th Sunday after Easter)
May 29th	10:30 AM	Holy Communion—Malayalam “Jesus the Resurrection and Life” (5th Sunday after Easter) <b>CHOIR SUNDAY</b>

**BIBLE QUIZ-5**

**Book of Acts**

State whether the statements are **True (T)** or **False (F)** and mention the correct **Bible verse** for all these statements. Do submit your answers in English or in Malayalam to the Vicar on or before **22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2011**. Toppers will be acknowledged! No age bar! Expecting more participation! Hurry!

1. Apostles were given authority to know about dates & times. **T/F**
2. On Pentecost, the men who spoke in tongues were all Parthians. **T/F**
3. Salvation is through Jesus Christ alone. **T/F**
4. Ananias died just because he lied to Peter. **T/F**
5. Gamaliel wanted the Sanhedrin to spare the apostles. **T/F**
6. Apostles left the Sanhedrin rejoicing for being spared from death. **T/F**
7. The 7 men selected for serving at the tables were ordinary people. **T/F**
8. Stephen blamed the leaders of law for betraying the Righteous One. **T/F**
9. The Ethiopian was going to Jerusalem when he met Philip. **T/F**
10. It was Ananias who brought Saul to the disciples. **T/F**
11. God shows no favoritism said Peter while at Cornelius’ house. **T/F**
12. The Holy Spirit was poured upon the uncircumcised Gentiles too. **T/F**
13. Herod had the apostle John put to death with the sword. **T/F**
14. Peter was released from prison by the prison guards. **T/F**
15. Elymas was punished for perverting the right ways of the Lord. **T/F**
16. At Lystra Paul & Barnabas were considered as Gods in human form. **T/F**
17. Peter wanted Gentiles to be circumcised in order to be saved. **T/F**
18. It was Timothy who urged Paul in the night to go to Macedonia. **T/F**
19. The Thessalonians received God’s message with great eagerness. **T/F**

**Edavaka Mission**

Edavaka Mission prayer meetings will be held every Friday at 6 PM at the Church, unless otherwise notified.

**Sevika Sangham**

Sevika Sangham prayer meetings will be held on Friday mornings at 10 AM at the Church, unless otherwise notified.

**Youth Fellowship**

Youth Fellowship meetings will be held on Fridays at 6:30 PM. Refer to the Youth Fellowship Secretary’s e-mail for more details.

On May 21st, the Youth Fellowship is organizing a Spring Clean Up of the Church. Everyone’s participation and support is greatly appreciated.

On May 28, the Youth Fellowship is organizing a Car Wash at the Church. Please support this event by bringing your car for a wash on this day.

The Youth Fellowship will be hosting a Shoe Drive for the month of May. Your cooperation is requesting by bringing in gently used or new shoes.

**Sunday School**

The Superintendent’s Exam will be conducted on Sunday, May 1, 2011.

The Diocesan Exam will be conducted on Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 12 noon.

The Sunday School Anniversary will be conducted on May 22, 2011.

The last day of Sunday School will be on May 22, 2011.

**Lectionary**

Date	Bible Lessons	Readers
May 1st	Exo. 3: 7-15 1Pet. 1: 1-9	Jacob Thomas Annie Thomas
May 8th	Eze. 37: 1-14 Col. 3: 1-11	Joel Varghese Tebi Varghese
May 15th	Josh. 1: 1-9 1John. 3: 1-12	Samuel Mathai Suja Samuel
May 22nd	1Sam. 2: 1-11 Rev. 4: 1-11	Justin Mathew Julie Mathew
May 29th	1Kings. 17: 13-24 1Cor. 15: 50-58	Roshen Varghese Jennifer R. George
May 29th	1Kings. 17: 13-24 1Cor. 15: 50-58	Sujith Abraham Jessy Varghese

**“Snehakaram” Project**

As per Sabha Mandalam’s decision we will be collecting donations towards the “Snehakaram” project. By donating \$1200 you will be covering the surgery expenses for one individual in need. Our church’s contributions towards this project is in the amount \$6134. Please make your generous contributions towards this project as soon as possible.

**New Born**

Ashley and Liza George, 244 Jolene Ct. Paramus, were blessed with a baby boy ‘**Thomas Philip George**’ on April 1st, 2011. Let us congratulate the proud parents and pray for the new addition

## **BIRTHDAYS—May**

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

05/01	Ancy Samuel	896 East Lawn Dr
05/01	Saji T. Mathew	46 Carnot Ave
05/01	Aleyamma Varghese	324 Harris Place
05/01	Babu Varghese	70 Somers Ave
05/02	Chacko Jacob	225 Bradley Ave
05/03	Robin Daniel	178 Cambridge Ave
05/03	Beena George	126 Sylvan Ave
05/03	Lizzy K. Palackamannil	158 Anderson Avenue
05/05	Aaron M Abraham	50 Essex Place.
05/06	Sherly Samuel	136 Lincoln Avenue
05/06	Mariamamma Varkey	73 Delaware Ave
05/07	Mariamamma Joseph	139 Lee Ave
05/07	John C. Varkey	865 Ester Ave.
05/07	Lijin Joy	1147 Rosse Ave
05/08	Jacob Thomas	257 Birchwood Rd
05/08	Joyce Z. John	183 Kings Court
05/08	Suja C. Abraham	76 Spring Dr
05/09	Subi Philip	356 Lacey Drive
05/09	Minu Mathew	165 Eagle Ave
05/10	Deena Varghese	70 Somers Ave
05/11	John George	138 Forest Place
05/11	Varghese Cherian	371 N 10th Street
05/11	T. M. Samuel	301 Harding Ave
05/11	Sherin E. Abraham	125 Linwood Ave
05/12	Tiffany Varughese	34 Sunset Place
05/12	Tim Thomas	102 W Central Ave
05/12	Sojan Mathew	829 'A' Berkley Street
05/13	Abraham Mammen	223 Merritt Ave.
05/13	Suji P. John	43 Terrace Street
05/14	Reny T. Easaw	103 E Cedar Lane

## **Thanks**

Thanks to all the families that opened up their houses for the Lenten Prayers and to Achen for his great leadership, and all those who shared the Word of God.

Thanks to all the families that brought in food for the Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday services.

Thanks to Santhosh and Saji of Swad Restaurant for providing lunch on Good Friday.

## **Condolence**

The beloved sister-in-law of Mr. M.C. George, 33 Second St., Dumont, passed away in Kerala, India.

The beloved brother-in-law of Mr. George P. Thomas, 102 W. Central Ave., Bergenfield, passed away in Kerala, India.

Please uphold these families in your prayers.

## **Family Camp 2011**

The family camp registration form is enclosed with this newsletter. Please complete the form and return it to the Camp Convener, Mr. John Oommen (Manoj) as soon as possible.

## **Sunday Coffee Refreshment (“Area A”)**

Prayer Group A is in charge of making coffee on Sundays during the month of May. Thank you.

## Prayer Meetings

Date	Time	Prayer Group	Address At the Residence of
05/07	5:30PM	C	Mr. David T. Johnson 75 N. Stoughton St. Bergenfield, NJ 07621 201-384-3814
05/08	5:30PM	D	70 Cedar Lane Teaneck, NJ 07666 <i>Hosted by:</i> Mr. Sujith Abraham 201-439-9609
05/14	6:00PM	Yuvajana Sakhyam / Young Families	70 Cedar Lane Teaneck, NJ 07666 <i>Hosted by:</i> Mr. Mohan Pothen 201-836-2769
05/15	6:00PM	A	Mrs. Saramma Verghese 1032 Phelps Road Teaneck, NJ 07666
05/21	6:00PM	A	Mr. Thomas C. Abraham 8 Cambridge Way Weehawken, NJ 07086
05/22	6:00PM	E	Mr. John George 138 Forest Place Rochelle Park, NJ 07662
05/29	6:00PM	B	Mr. Koshy Kuruvilla 74 Highview Avenue Bergenfield, NJ 07621

05/14	Julie G. Mathew	730 Asbury St.
05/14	Luke Pothen	692 John Street
05/15	Juli J. Mathew	901A River Road
05/15	Renu Kochumman	180 Truman Terrace
05/15	Ammini Thomas	257 Birchwood Rd
05/15	Helana Abraham	223 Merritt Ave.
05/15	Sanju Varghese	476 New Milford Ave
05/16	C. G. Abraham	220 Floral Lane
05/16	Aleyamma George	444 Wildrose Ave
05/16	Roshen O. Varughese	50 Lakeshore Drive
05/16	Justin M. George	486 Washington Ave
05/16	T. T. Easaw	103 E Cedar Lane
05/17	Shawn John	184 E Howard Dr.
05/18	Tibi Mathew	146 Forest Place
05/18	K. A. Mathew	39 Rector Court
05/19	Bini Jacob	2 Katharina Place
05/19	Julie Thomas	1143 Rosse Ave
05/20	Mariamamma Thomas	55 Meadow Bluff Road
05/20	Mariamamma Mathew	27 New York Ave
05/20	Aji John	145 Tillman St
05/20	Samuel Scariah	126 Ayers Ct, Apt. 2B
05/20	James P. Mathew	901A River Road
05/20	Mariamamma P. Varughese	34 Sunset Place
05/20	Samkutty T. Samuel	48 Walnut Street
05/20	Zachariah John	183 Kings Court
05/20	John J. Prince	183 Maple Street
05/20	Annamma Alex	53 Greenbriar Street
05/20	Sanil Mathai	10 Simpson Court
05/21	Annamma G. Koshy	381 Beech Street
05/21	Joseph O. Abraham	570 Coolidge Place
05/22	Rachel Thomas	102 W Central Ave
05/22	Jobu Thomas	55 Meadow Bluff Road

05/23	Linu P. John	474 Van Dyke Ave
05/23	Beenamma Philip	140 Kinderkamack Rd.
05/24	Serena D. Jacob	2 Katharina Place
05/24	Maya M. Mathew	165 Eagle Ave
05/24	Mariamamma Mathew	39 Rector Court
05/25	K. C. Mathew	146 Forest Place
05/25	Roy Mathew	717 Howard St
05/25	Jibi P. George	159 E. Linden Ave
05/25	Mathai K. Thomas	145 Tillman Street
05/25	Mince John	5 Ingle Side Ct.
05/25	Susamma J. Mathew	28 Cameron Road
05/26	Mathew Thomas	1219 River Road
05/26	Anjana Renu	180 Truman Terrace
05/27	Wilson Mathai	12111 Sunningdale Court
05/27	Arun R. Mathew	2 Edward St
05/28	Santhosh Jacob	225 Bradley Ave
05/28	Varghese Mathew	405 Kehoe Ct.
05/28	Alex Daniel	214 Central Ave
05/29	Maybile John	145 Tillman St
05/29	Lovely Joy	1147 Rosse Ave
05/30	Renie Daniel	178 Cambridge Ave
05/30	Sagil George	167 W Broad St.
05/30	Susan E. John	22-05 Ward Street
05/30	Jessy Varghese	50 Lakeshore Drive
05/30	Sherly John	43 Terrace Street
05/30	Annie Thomas	257 Birchwood Rd
05/30	Philomina John	512 Kipp Street
05/30	Suman Saji	68 Bush Place
05/30	Shaina John	24 Beverly Road
05/31	M. C. George	33 Second Street
05/31	John Varghese	40 A Brookdale Gardens
05/31	Mariamamma George	576 Columbia Avenue
05/31	Binu Santhosh	225 Bradley Ave
05/31	Salamma Oommen	28 Fairview Ave

<b>WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES – May</b>		
We wish the following couples a happy Wedding Anniversary. Please attend and partake in the thanksgiving prayer during the Holy Communion Service.		
05/03	Mr. & Mrs. John George	138 Forest Place
05/05	Mr. & Mrs. M. Cherian	371 N 10th Street
05/07	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Kochummen	22 Bluebell Court
05/09	Mr. & Mrs. Joel Varghese	17 Lockwood Dr.
05/09	Mr. & Mrs. Varghese Kochummen	176 Lawrence Drive
05/10	Mr. & Mrs. John Mathai	498 Windsor Road
05/11	Mr. & Mrs. Saji Mathew	46 Carnot Ave
05/13	Mr. & Mrs. Mathai Thomas	145 Tillman Street
05/13	Mr. & Mrs. Velloor John	9 Trinity Court
05/14	Mr. & Mrs. Mathukutty Joseph	353 Charles Street
05/15	Mr. & Mrs. George Varghese	324 Harris Place
05/20	Mr. & Mrs. Varghese Samuel	67 Van Valkenburgh
05/21	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph John	139 Lee Ave
05/21	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Cherian	54 Pleasant Ave
05/21	Mr. & Mrs. T.E. Thomas	420 Monroe Ave.
05/23	Mr. & Mrs. Jacob George	33 Second Street
05/24	Mr. & Mrs. O. A. Abraham	208 Thomas Drive
05/25	Mr. & Mrs. T. S. Yohannan	93 Stillman Ave
05/26	Mr. & Mrs. P. T. Varughese	289 West Drive
05/27	Mr. & Mrs. George Thomas	102 W Central Ave
05/28	Mr. & Mrs. Libu Varkey	108 Arthur Street
05/29	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Abraham	283 Marine Ct
05/31	Mr. & Mrs. Sherry George	126 Sylvan Ave