

**Birthdays:**

Ann Steephen      Jessica Chacko      Jennifer John      Amanda Korah

**Anniversaries:**

George and Alice Thomas      Thomas and Susan Varghese      Alexander Tharakan & Elizabeth Alexander

**Announcements:**

The Ordination of Arun will be on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>. The entire church has been invited to attend the ordination, so please save the date.

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**Departed:** We wanted to inform you of the passing of K. Y Jacob, Father of Sheela Ajith and Father in law of Ajith M. Varghese, on Friday in Bhopal, India . He was 73 and is survived by his wife Mary Jacob , two daughters , sons – in-law and four grandchildren. He was an active member of the Church and was serving as the Sunday School Headmaster and Church Vice president , in addition to being the Secretary of Bhopal Ecumenical Christian Association. Funeral will be held at St. Thomas Jacobite Syrian Church Bhopal , on 5/14. Please keep the family in your prayers.

**Wedding Announcement:** Jason Thomas son of Vazhayil & Mariamma Thomas will be joined in Holy Matrimony with Deepa Vadakedom, daughter of Thomas & Laly Vadakedom on Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at our church.

**Prayer meeting:** There will be a Ward 6 prayer meeting on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at the residence of Mr. P.C Mathew in Naperville.

**Divyabodhanam:** There will be a Divyabodhanam POCE class today at 1PM.

**House Blessing:** As Malankara Orthodox Christians, we have a practice of blessing our homes by the priest during the period before the Feast of Pentecost, which occurs on Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>. Those who would like to get their homes blessed may contact Ninan Achen.

**Sunday School:** There will be no Sunday School classes next Sunday (May 19) due to the Feast of Pentecost. Our school year ends on June 2<sup>nd</sup> – please bring your children on time at 8:45AM, and make sure they participate in the Holy Qurbana as well.

**Newsletter:** Printed copies of the May edition of the Gregorian Gazette is available in the Library.

**Managing Committee:** There will be a short Managing Committee meeting today immediately after the Holy Qurbana. We will start the meeting within 10 minutes after Kaimuth. All committee members are requested to be present on time.

**Mountaintop Experience:** Registration for the Mountaintop Experience trip is ongoing until June 2. Registration fee is \$75 per person. The trip will be from Thursday, July 4 through Sunday, July 7 to Raleigh, North Carolina to visit Thomas Achen. Registration forms are kept on the table. Please fill it out the forms as soon as you can to reserve your spot as spots are filling up quickly. Mr. George Varghese will be driving the first van, and we will have another uncle driving the other van. Chris Achen is planning to join as well. If you have any questions, please contact Anup, Alex, Ruby, Muth or Gibson.

**Lost & Found:** An old gold necklace & bangle were found in the church. Please contact Trustee/Secretary to claim them.