

HOLY QURBANA

Morning Service

On Fridays at NECK from 5:30 – 8:00 AM.

Evening Service

On Mondays at NECK, Hall of Faith from 7:00 to 8.30 PM (Transportation available from Abbassiya – Parsonage at 6.30 PM.)

Regular Prayer

On Wednesdays from 7.30 to 9 p.m. at Parsonage.

Fahaheel Area Prayer Meeting

On Saturdays from 7 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. at New Auditorium, Manguf.

Area Prayer Meetings: 7.00 – 8.30 P.M.

Date	Area	Residence
13.02.2009 Friday		MBYA Prayer Meeting
20.02.2009 Friday	Salmiya	Mr. Benny Cherian Tel. 97593538
27.02.2009	Abbassiya	MBYA Prayer Meeting at Parsonage

Choir

Choir practice will be held as usual at Parsonage every Thursday from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Birthday

Vicar and members of the Church wish many happy returns of the blessed occasion (Birthday prayers will be offered every week along with the Holy Qurbana).

Moonnu Nombu (February 02-04)

Following arrangements have been made for the Moonnu Nombu days:

Monday, 2nd Feb: 7:00 – 8.30 p.m. Sandhya Namaskaram & Sermon at NECK Hall of Faith.

Guest Speaker : Fr. Thomas Vadakkedathu – Vicar, Catholic Church

Tuesday, 3rd Feb: 7.30 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. Sandhya Namaskaram at Parsonage

Wednesday, 4th Feb: 7.00 to 8.30 p.m. Sandhya Namaskaram & Holy Qurbana at Parsonage.

Church Managing Committee

The joint meeting of the Church Managing Committee 2008 & 2009 will be held on Friday 6th February 2009 at 11 A.M. at Parsonage.

Martha Mariam Vanitha Samajam

Prayer meeting will be held on **Friday 20th February** from 8.30 to 9.30 AM at NECK Activity Building soon after the Holy Qurbana. All are requested to attend.

Sunday School

Sunday School classes are held on every Friday from 8.15 AM to 9.30 AM at NECK activity building.

Manjinikkara Perunnal – 13th February

Special prayers will be held on **Friday, 13th February** at NECK along with the regular Holy Qurbana to commemorate the sacred memory of the late lamented H.H. Moran Mor Ignatius Elias III Patriarch of Antioch & All the East.

All are requested to bring Neyyappam as Nercha to be served after the service.

Valiya Nombu : 23rd February – 12th April

The fifty days lent begins on Monday 23rd February. All are requested to abide by the Nombu regulations.

Subhkono Service will be held on Monday 23rd February at NECK, Hall of Faith from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. All are requested to attend.

During the Valiya Nombu period Sandhya Namaskaram will be held at the residence of our members at different areas from 8 – 9.00 p.m. More details will be announced later. All are requested to attend.

Establishment of the Holy Throne at Antioch (AD37) & Dukhrono–Geevarghese Mor Gregorioso (Perumpally Thirumeni) -22nd Feb:

Special prayers will be held on **Friday, 20th February** along with the regular Holy Qurbana at NECK to commemorate the above occasions:

10th & 12th Standard Students

We pray for our children who are appearing for the forthcoming Board Examination and wish them all success.

Those who have studied Sunday School up to 10th Standard and leaving for higher studies are requested to register their names with the Vicar or Church Secretary before 11th February, in order to be honored with memento on Friday, 20th February.

Counselling Class

A counselling class by Mr. Viju P. Daniel will be held on Friday, 20th February at NECK Activity Hall from 8.30 to 9.30 a.m. for the Board Exam Students.

Students of Classes 10, 11 & 12th are requested to attend this valuable session with parents.

New Members

1. Abraham Jacob - A 082
2. Bijoy Basil Varghese - B 079
3. Binu Thomas - B 080
4. Elias Joseph - E 020
5. George C. Skaria - G 047
6. John M. Paily - J 137
7. Jose George - J 138
8. Joby Jacob - J 139
9. Joby Abraham - J 140
10. Libu Paul - L 012
11. Pradish Mathew - P 032
12. Tins U. Yacob - T 043
13. Zacharia P. Koshy - Z 003

We whole-heartedly welcome the new members to our Parish.

Condolences

1. Mrs. Thankamma Varghese, mother-in-law of Mr. Thomas Kurien (Babychen) passed away on 14.1.2009.
2. Miss Priyanka Rajeev, daughter of Mr. Rajeev Areckal Jacob passed away on 15.1.2009.

We pray for the dear departed souls and express our deepest condolences to the bereaved families.

Church Calendar for February

Feb 08: **kohane**, departed priests.

Feb 10: Mor Themotheos Yaqub Thrikkothamangalam.

Feb 13: St. Ignatius Elias III, Manjinikkara (1932).

Feb 15: **aneede**, all departed.

Feb 19: Mor Yulius Elias Qoro, Manjinikkara (1962)

Feb 22: Establishment of the Holy Throne at Antioch (AD37)

Mor Gregorios Geevarghese, Perumpally (1999)

Feb 22: **gotne**, Sunday of the feast of Cana.

Feb 23: Great lent begins.

PRAYER REQUEST

Members are requested to pray for the speedy recovery of Mr. Rajeev Areckal Jacob & Mrs. Annamma Paulose (Lissy), who are in the ICU of Ibn Sina Hospital (Burns) after the tragic incident on 15.1.2009.

MBYA Committee Members for the year 2009.

The Annual General Body Meeting of MBYA held on 23rd January has unanimously elected the following members to the MBYA Committee 2009.

Secretary: Mr. Eldho K. Abraham

Trustee: Mr. Sam Ninan

Jt. Secretary : Mr. Minju Abraham Thomas

PrayerCo-Ordinators: Renjith Thomas, Moncy Chacko

Auditor: Mr. Johnson Varghese

Employment Cell: Mr. Mathew Moolayil Varghese

Ex-Officio: Mr. Johnson Thomas

Committee Members:

Jaimon P. Jacob, Mobin Philip, GeeVarghese, Yeldo P. Joseph, Manoj T. Thomas, Ajith K.Kurian, Shiran M. Thomas, Abraham Mathen, Anoop Abraham Thomas, Joe Scaria, Tins U. Yacoub, Samon Paul.

KECF – “Yuva Sangamam”

KECF – “Yuva Sangamam” will be held on Wednesday, 25th February 2009, from 9.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. at United Indian School, Abbassiya.

Theme : “Be Perfect”

Obituary



Priyanka Rajeev

(D/o Mr. Rajeev Areeckal Jacob)

who left us for her heavenly abode on 15.1.2009

“May God rest her soul in Peace”

Vicar’s Message

Dear Beloved in Christ,

We are about to welcome the great Lent, proclaiming the significance of redemption and salvation for mankind. In today’s troubled and uncertain world we tend to be led astray by satanic temptations and worldly gratifications. Our spiritual passage through the fifty days of Lent filled with meditation, prayer and fasting should bring us nearer to God and pull us away from the violence and injustice we see all around in our busy lives.

Man was created in the image of God. *Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”* **Genesis 1:26.** But Man lost this image and went away from God due to his sins. The purpose of the Great Lent is to regain for Man the image of God which he lost due to sin. The selfless and unlimited love of Christ who sacrificed himself for our sins should summon us back to the experience of salvation. Christ promised us the Kingdom of God – but only if we repent and change.

We have to remember that the next Lent is a year away.... therefore we should reserve a place for God in our hearts and walk the path shown to us by Him. This is a fundamental responsibility in the believer’s spiritual life.

During this Lent we should, with Godly faith, introspectively evaluate ourselves, and find out the depth of our relationship with God. Then we should try to spiritually grow in the knowledge and experience of Salvation with God. *I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent.* **Luke 15:7.**

Therefore in this dark world, we should attain Salvation and everlasting life, by submitting ourselves to God in meditation on the Word of God, Prayer and fasting during this Lent.

Biju Achen.



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