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Thought for the month

Remember:

“For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel-not with words of human wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.” 1Cor.1:17

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Programmes

July3:Cottage prayer meeting at the house of Mr. George Joseph Mannoor, B/404, MahavirVihar, sector-25, Nerul at 8pm. Mob. No. 9869845182

July 5: Cottage prayer meeting at the house of Mr. K.O. John, F-15/2/2, Vrindavan CHS, Sector 4, Sanpada at 7pm. Mob.no. 9820742205

July 5: HC Service in Sanpada and Panvel at 7am and 11 am respectively

July 7: Atmaya Meeting at 7.30 pm in Sanpada Jubilee Malayalam Church

July 11: Women’s Fellowship meeting at 4.30 pm in Sanpada Church

July12: HC service in Sanpada and Panvel at 7am and 11am respectively

July 12:Pastorate Committee Meeting at 9.30 AM Sanpada

July14: Atmaya Meeting at 7.30 pm in Sanpada Church

July19:Combined HC service in Sanpada at 7am. (Youth Day and ChurchSports day).

July 21:Atmaya Meeting at 7.30 pm in Sanpada Church

July 25: Cottage prayer meeting at the house of Mr. Ashok Abraham, Moraj Riverside Park, Ma-4/202, Takka Village, Next to Godrej Sky Garden, Panvel, at 6pm.Mob.No. 9892386920

July 26:HC service in English at Sanpada and Panvel at 7am and 11am respectively

July 28:Atmaya Meeting at 7.30 pm in Sanpada Church

Motto for the year 2015

“Be Holy because, I the LORD your God, am Holy” (Leviticus 19: 2)

Message from the Presbyter

Dear Beloved- in- Christ,

“Greetings to you in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ”.

“I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. “

John 12:24, 25

According to CNI almanac, on July 9th we are remembering the arrival of the first protestant missionaries to India, Bartholomew Ziegenbalg and Henry Pluetschau in the year 1706 at Tranquabar and July 25th is remembered for the first apostle James who died as a martyr.

Who is a **Martyr**?

Oxford dictionary gives us a definition that a Martyr is a person who undergoes death or suffering for a **great cause**. Death of a normal man is due to diseases, love failure, financial crisis, calamities, accidents; suicides so on and so forth. But for a true disciple, his/her end would be for a wonderful cause. It's none other than, the cause which we are accepting Jesus as our Christ and Lord. The reason behind the death of suicide bombers is referred by some militant groups as martyrdom. The vigor and vitality behind the zeal towards their organization or for some principles is astonishing. But most of us are shameful to carry the name of a Christian, to go to the Church for worship, to carry the bible, to sing Christian songs, to give response during worship services loudly, to attend fellowship meetings and to be in the bible study groups until and unless we get into some trauma situations.

In John 12:24, 25- Jesus was saying that **only by death comes life**. The grain of wheat was ineffective and unfruitful so long as it was preserved, as it was, in safety and security. But it was thrown into the cold ground, and buried there as if in a tomb, then it bore fruits. It was by the death of the martyrs that the Church grew. In the famous phrase: “The blood of the martyrs was the seed of the Church.”

In AD. 156, Polycarp the Bishop in Smyrna was persecuted by the Roman Officials. When the soldiers attempted to arrest him, he was praying in his room for 2 hours. As an old man, the soldiers had pity to arrest him and on the way to persecution he was asked to proclaim 'Ceaser as the Lord'. He was reluctant to do this. At last he was taken to Roman Coliseum where more than fifty thousand people were gathered to see the persecution. The Proconsul gave him chance to change his mind and force to swear by the fortune of Ceaser and curse Christ. Polycarp stood firm in his faith and answered them that "Eighty six years have I served him, and he never did me any wrong. How can I blaspheme my king who has saved me"? The proconsul ordered that the bishop to be burned alive. He was tied to the stake and the fire was set. But according to an eyewitness account, his body was not consumed. "He was in the middle, not as burning flesh, but as bread baking or as gold and silver refined in furnace. And we smelled such a sweet aroma as the breath of incense or some other precious spice." When an executioner stabbed him, the blood poured out and quenched the fire.

Only by spending life do we retain it.

The man who loves his life is moved by two aims, by selfishness and by the desire for security. Not once or twice but many times Jesus insisted that the man who hoarded his life must in the end lose it, and the man who spent his life must in the end gain it. When Joan of Arc knew that her enemies were strong and her time was short, she prayed to God: "I shall only last a year, use me as you can'. No doubt we will exist longer if we take things easily, if we avoid all strain, and if we look after our health. No doubt we will exist longer but we will never live. The grain of wheat which spends its whole seed only can produce so many. We Christians are enjoying in selecting part time and half time to be with Christ. But Jesus demands us to use our full energy, money, and time to serve him. Not only as Sunday Christians and Good Friday Christians, but also use your full potential to the extension of his kingdom. Then you will become fruitful in the Christendom. May God Bless you .

With love and prayers.

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News & Notes**Previous Month Highlight****Congratulations**

Church Committee held on 6th June 2015 elected the following members.

Mr. Biju C. Alex - Hon. Secretary

Mr. Mathews Philip- Hon. Treasurer

Diocesan Council Member and Alternate

Mr. Thomas George – Mr. David W.K.

Women's fellowship Meeting held on 13th June 2015 elected Mrs. Sera BibiCherian as the women's fellowship secretary for the year 2015-16. Hearty Congratulations to all the office bearers.

Newly Married:

Nisha Varghese & Ashish got married on 31st May, 2015, at Secunderabad. We congratulate the newly wedded and wish them all blessings in the new phase of their life.

Special General Body Meeting:

As decided in the last AGM held on 3rd May 2015, we have conducted our special general body meeting on 21st June 2015 after the Holy Communion service. Meeting has unanimously approved purchase of parsonage and purchase of car for Chairman.

1. Purchase of Car: It has decided to purchase new car for the chairman and approved budget amounting to Rs. 4.5 Lac. The fund will be generated from contribution and

interest free loan from members. Loan amount will be repaid in two years from the income generated through Harvest Festival. If the required amount is not generated from these options it has decided to approach financial institutions for Vehicle Loan for the balance amount.

2. Purchase of Parsonage: It has decided to purchase a flat for our parsonage and approved a budget amounting to Rs. 1.25 Cr. Fund will be generated through contribution of one month income from members and also through donations from well-wishers of our church. SGM has appointed a committee for the purchase of Parsonage and Car. The details of committee members are as follows:

Mr. T G Kurian, Adv. Chandy Kurian, Mr. Shaji Thomas, Mr. Binu Thomas, Mr. Johnson Gabriel and Mr. Paul Joseph.

Present Month Programs

Atmaya Fellowship Meeting: Atmaya fellowship meetings will be held on all Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in Church.

Youth Meeting

Youth meeting will be held on all Sundays soon after the service at 9 am. Variety programs and Bible study will be there. Parents shall encourage the youths to attend the meetings

Church Sports Day

Church Sports day will be held on 19th July after the Holy Communion service at Sanpada under the leadership of youth movement. There will be two teams divided into (Vashi, CBD, Kharghar) and (Nerul, Panvel). Indoor games will be held on 12th July after the service for Rapid chess and Carom (including the final rounds). Breakfast will be provided for the contestants. Kindly register your names for the following events to the respective persons.

- Badminton (Doubles)- Neha
- Rapid Chess- Rijo
- Caroms- Jim
- Athletics(200m/lemon n spoon/obstacle/3 leg race)-Reeba, Anjana, Joyna.

Badminton and rapid chess contestants should be above 12 years of age.

Women's fellowship Meetings: Women's Fellowship prayer will be held on all Sundays immediately after the worship service. Women's fellowship meeting will be held on July 11, Saturday, at 4:30 pm in Jubilee Church, Sanpada.

Cottage Prayer Meeting

It has been decided to conduct cottage prayer in every Sundays in 4divided areas(Nerul 1st week, Vashi- 2nd week, Kharghar- 3rd week, and Panvel-4th -week). The prayer leaders and the area will be the following:

1. Mr. T.G. Kurien- Nerul(Sanpada and Nerul)
2. Adv. ChandyKurien- Vashi(Vashi, Turbhe, Koparkhairane, Airoli)
3. Mrs.Aleyamma Joseph - Kharghar(Kharghar, Belapur CBD,)
4. Mr. Ashok Abraham Panvel- (Panvel,Kalamboli,Kamothe)

All are requested to kindly cooperate with the prayer leaders

Prayer Requests

1. Bishop Prakash D. Patole for his speedy recovery.
2. Mr. John P. Mathew- 9820456808 (for good health)
3. Mr. John Thomas -9867886398 (for good health)
4. Mr. Oommen V.George(9820073241) for his full recovery from the dengue fever.
5. Mother of Mr. W. J. Mathai (022-27703681) for happy and peaceful old age.
6. Mother of Mr. Sudeep Philips (Mob: 8879640355). She is undergoing dialysis.
7. Father of Rev. Reni Philip, Vakola church vicar.
8. Mr. Simon Philip- About his business. To set off to new heights.
9. Pray for the wife of Bishop Joshua, staying in Borivalli. She is undergoing treatment for cancer.
10. Mrs. Mariam G. Thomas, came back after her eye treatment in Kerala and is now taking rest at home. Let us pray for her eye sight and good health.

Are we robbing God!!!

Robbing God! Sounds strange; right? But don't you think, we are really doing this? You must be thinking how can somebody rob God? Well, thousands of years ago Israelites also went through the same question. God answers their question in Malachi 3:8, "**You rob me in tithes and offerings.**" After going through this verse, it was like a mirror of the current situation, many of us often rob God. Everything we have is from God, so when we refuse to return to Him a part of what He has given, we rob Him.

Sometimes the one tenth of our income is so high, that we become reluctant to give the entire tithe amount to God. But while doing this , we don't remember what James says in James 1:17 "**Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights**, who does not change like shifting shadows."

Malachi 3:9 says, **you are under a curse, because you are robbing me.** Well this is a verse to THINK on! Many of us may be going through difficult times, this can be one of the reasons.

But we have a very beautiful and encouraging words from God in Malachi 3:10, **Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, “says the Lord Almighty,” and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.** WOW!!!! Indeed a beautiful promise. God’s words are ALIVE and TRUE. God is asking us to test Him in this, what more assurance do we need?

We need to give from the plenty God has given us, in order to support those who serve God by ministering to the spiritual needs of others. Let’s make a decision to obey God, by giving Him, what is his.

(Article by Miss. Bijitta David, Kamothe)

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE LESSONS FOR JUNE 2015

05th July: 6th Sunday after Pentecost

Theme: The Spiritual peril of denying the truth of God.

Jeremiah 18:18-22

Psalm 35: 11-18

Hebrews 10: 26-39

Mark 3: 20-30

12th July: 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Theme: From very small beginnings God produces great results.

Haggai 2:1-9

Psalm 131

1Cor. 1.26-2.5

Mark 4: 26-34

19th July: 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Theme: God upholds us in time of trouble.

2 Kings 19:1-7

Psalm 42

Acts 4:23-31

Mark 4:35-41

26th July: 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Theme: Bearing witness to the healing mercy of God.

2 Kings 5:9-19

Psalm 142

Acts 9:17-22

Mark 5:1-20

2nd August: 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Theme: The life-giving power of God.

Ezekiel 47:1-12

Psalm 43

Acts 20:7-12

Mark 5:21-43

SCRIPTURE READING NAMES- SANPADA

1st Lesson	Psalms	2nd Lesson
05.07.15 Mr. K O John	Mrs. AnilaJowin	Ms. Sharon John
12.07.15 Mr. Geroge Joseph M.Dr. RoseletWinford		Ms. Nisha Varghese
19.07.15Mr. K K Johnson	Mrs. Nirmala John	Ms. Anjana E. Paul
26.07.15Mr. Thomas Aaron CherianMs. FebaElina Mathews	Mr. Joel Abraham Oommen	

PEACE

05.07.15 Mr.& Mrs.Sajan George
 12.07.15Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Kurian
 19.07.15 Mr. & Mrs. W K David
 26.07.15 Mr. & Mrs. Binu G Thomas

ELEMENTS

Mr. & Mrs. Nebu Kory Kurian
 Mr& Mrs. Vinod Oommen Ninan
 Mr. & Mrs. Thariyan George
 Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Williams

OFFERTORY

05.07.15 Mr. Reuben Kurian; Mast. Abel Joseph Paul
 12.07.15 Mr. Reuben Kurian, Ms. Felisa Mathews
 19.07.15 Mr. Reuben Kurian, Ms. Hephziba David
 26.07.15 Mr. Reuben Kurian, Ms. Grace Abraham

SCRIPTURE READING NAMES – PANVEL

1st Lesson	Psalms	2nd Lesson
05.07.15 Mr. W K David	Mrs. Solly Johnson	Mrs. Shiney Sam
12.07.15Mr. Solomon Isaac Samuel	Mrs. Mariam Simon	Mrs. Persis Jacob
26.07.15 Mr. Binni Johnson	Mrs. Sheena Johnson	Mrs. Sinu Ashok

PEACE

05.07.15 Mr. & Mrs. Sabu Varghese
 12.07.15 Mr. & Mrs. T C Issac
 26.07.15 Mr. & Mrs. Mathew Zachariah

BIRTHDAY

01-Jul	Miss. Aleena Mariam Philip	Nerul
05-Jul	Mast. Abel Joseph Paul	Kharghar
05-Jul	Miss. Joanne Joju	Sanpada
06-Jul	Mr. Solomon Isaac Samuel	Kharghar
07-Jul	Mast. Reuben John Sam	Quatar
07-Jul	Ms. Nisha Varghese	Kharghar
10-Jul	Mrs. Mariam Simon	Panvel
11-Jul	Mast. Reuel S. Sam	Quatar
13-Jul	Miss. Hephziba David	Kharghar
14-Jul	Miss. Grace Abraham	Sanpada
14-Jul	Mr. Anil John	Ghansoli
15-Jul	Mrs. Persis Jacob	Panvel
17-Jul	Ms. Anjana E. Paul	Kharghar
18-Jul	Mr. Joel Abraham Oommen	Kharghar

21-Jul	Mr. Sabu Varghese	Kamothe
22-Jul	Mr. Kurian Joseph	Vashi
27-Jul	Mr. Tony Thomas	Kamothe
29-Jul	Mr. Thomas Aaron Cherian	Nerul
31-Jul	Mr. SudeepRupin Philips	Nerul

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

01-Jul	Mr. & Mrs. Nebu Kory Kurian	CBD Belapur
10-Jul	Mr. & Mrs. Abraham Kurian	Vashi
10-Jul	Mr& Mrs. Vinod Oommen Ninan	Kharghar
14-Jul	Mr. & Mrs. Thariyan George	Koparkhairne

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