

## Vicar

Rev. V. T. Thomas

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### News and Events

- Sunday School will start at **9:00 AM**
- There will no Sunday School classes on 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>
- 20<sup>th</sup> Annual General Body meeting 9<sup>th</sup> after service.
- Sunday School Mid term exams will be held on February 16<sup>th</sup> after the worship service.
- Fasting prayer will be on all Friday's @ 10 AM
- Maramon Convention will be held from February 9<sup>th</sup> ~ 16<sup>th</sup>
- Good Samaritan Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## Good Samaritan Sunday

Sunday, February 23, will be observed as Good Samaritan Sunday. A special collection will be taken during the Holy Communion Service, and everyone is encouraged to contribute generously to this noble cause



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## GOOD SAMARITAN SUNDAY

“Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done.” (Proverbs 19:7)

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**Worship Assignments are done by Area 1 Prayer Group**

**Worship Services**

Date	Time	Worship	Lectionary
02/02	10:30 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion	II Kgs. 20:1-11, Heb 9: 11-14, Jas 5:13-18, Mark 5: 25-34
02/09	09:00 AM	English Holy Communion	Isa 40:12-26, Rom 8:19-25, Rom 13:11-14, St. John 2:1-11
02/16	09:30 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion	Isa 11:1-9, Eph 3:16-21, I Cor 1:4-9, St. John 4:4-9
02/23	10:30 AM	English Holy Communion	Ezek 36:24-31, Eph 4:17-24, 1 Pet 2:1-10, St. Luke 19:1-10

**Area Prayers**

Area	Date and Time	Venue
Area 1	Saturday, February 8 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM	At the Church hosted by Mr Anoop George
Area 2	Saturday, February 15 <sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM	At the residence of Mr Mathew Kurian 43 Elder Dr, Commack. NY

**Organizations Meetings**

Date	Day	Time	Meetings	Venue
TBA	Sun	After Service	Sevika Sanghom	Church
02/14	Fri	7:00 PM	Edavaka Mission	Church
02/16	TBA	TBA	Yuvajana Sakhyam	TBA
02/22	Sat	11:30 AM	Sr Citizen Fellowship	At the residence of Mr Koshy Varghese
02/22	TBA	TBA	Youth Fellowship	TBA

**Address Change**

Mr. Nubu Thomas	391 Plad Blvd, Holtsville, New York 11742
Mr. Simon Thadathil	239, Latham Rd, Mineola, New York 11501

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**From Vicar's Desk.....**

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,



Thank God for the blessings we received from God last month which helped us to lead a joyful healthy life witnessing Christ in our worship and church activities. I express my gratitude and love to all the parishioners who have cooperated in all the programs held in our parish in January. Thank you all for your continued support and prayers.

Matthew.5:38-42. The sermon on the mount Forms the foundation of the teachings of Jesus. He wants his followers to be and alternative community that is much elevated from other religious communities in practicing the will of God. Here Jesus Compares certain practices of the common Jewish Community with his expectations about the disciples. Jesus always distinguishes between sin and the Sinner. This is the very purpose of incarnation. So, while the Jewish law that states 'eye for an eye' tries to establish you Justice by destroying the person who does evil, Jesus wants the disciples. to destroy the evil by winning over the person. The statement 'do not resist evil'(V.39) is not permission for evil to Prevail but it is a higher way of resisting evil. When a person is strong enough to let the other person win, it is the goodness that is communicated. That can bring about transformation in the other person. This attitude sprouts from the unconditional love shown by God through Jesus. often, we respond to situations out of the disturbance in us. While taking eye for eye satisfies the human need for justice, forgiveness satisfies the Divine intention about the human. It is the experience of forgiveness within that helps to forgive others. The words of Gladys Staines well express this fact, "I have forgiven the Killers, and have no bitterness because forgiveness brings healing... God in Christ has forgiven me and expect his followers to do the same.

May God Almighty bless us all.

Yours in Christ,  
 V. T. Thomas Achen

### Birthday Greetings

DATE	NAME	ADDRESS
1-Feb	Isabel Kurian	272,Rider Ave,Malverne,NY-11565
1-Feb	Sarah Kurian	272,Rider Ave,Malverne,NY-11565
5-Feb	Christina Jacob	657 Sherman Ave, East Meadow,11554
8-Feb	Juliann E. Daniel	390 Town Line Road, Commack, 11725
9-Feb	Annie M. George	4 Seymour Ln, Hicksville, NY,11801
10-Feb	Reena George	4 Seymour Ln, Hicksville, NY,11801
10-Feb	Happy A. Mathew	22 Hamlet Dr., Hauppauge, 11788
11-Feb	Thomas Varghese Thadathil	52, East Street New Hydepark,NY 11040
12-Feb	Noah M. Joseph	69 Summer field Drive, Holtsville,11742
12-Feb	Nilda M. Beneesh	78 Westwood Ave,Deerpark,11729
13-Feb	Sajini Abraham	33 Cambridge Dr., Hicksville,11801
13-Feb	Pramod Varghese	25 Earl Road, Melville, NY 11747
13-Feb	Manoj Mathai	25 Maxwell Ct. Plainview, NY
14-Feb	Monson Mathew	172 Lee Avenue, Hicksville,11801
16-Feb	Suni S. Mathew	677 Richmond Rd, East Meadow, 11554
17-Feb	Roy V Thadathil	3, East Street, Hicksville,11801
18-Feb	Libu Koshy	85 Vincent Road, Hicksville,11801
20-Feb	David E. Chacko	11 Birch Drive, Plain View,11803
21-Feb	Dr. Sarun Thomas	19 Pawnee Drive, Commack, 11725
22-Feb	Harrell B. Thomas	48 West 3rd Street, Deer Park,11729
23-Feb	Beneesh Thomas	78 Westwood Ave,Deerpark,11729
23-Feb	Alan S. Mathew	2 Rosa Court, Centereach, NY 11720
23-Feb	Sunjeev Philip	2487 York Street, East Meadow, 11554
25-Feb	Dr. Jacob K Mathew	11 Morning Glory Dr., Lake Grove,11755
25-Feb	Miss. Lissha A. Varghese	196 Mohawk Ave, Deer Park, 11729
26-Feb	Varghese Cherian	685 Half Hollow Rd, Dix Hills,11746
26-Feb	Ryan B. Raju	97 Gloria Blvd, Hauppauge,11788
26-Feb	Stephen P. Jones	10, Northwood Ct., DixHills,11746
28-Feb	Rubin Thomas	422 Clay Pits Road East Northport
28-Feb	Sheela Thomas	5 Dellen Court, Commack,11725
28-Feb	Mariamamma P. Johnson	309 Chestnut Ave, East Meadow,11554
28-Feb	Samkutty George	3 Twisting Drive, Lake Grove,11755

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### Wedding Anniversary Greetings

DATE	NAME	ADDRESS
3-Feb	Mr. Alexander Oommen & Mrs. Sosamma Alexander	85 Vincent Road, Hicksville,11801
10-Feb	Mr, Jithin Thomas & Mrs Amal Mathew	23 Larch Street, Hicksville, New York 11801
11-Feb	Mr. Jijo Alex & Mrs. Susan Jacob	17 Birchwood Park Drive, Syosset, 11791
11-Feb	Mr. Thomas Jacob & Mrs. Sharly Thomas	25 Swallow Ln, Hauppauge,11788
12-Feb	Mr. Jayan Planchuvattil & Mrs. Mariamma Jayan	79-06 257th St., Floral Park, NY-11004
16-Feb	Mr. Pradeep Joseph & Mrs. Usha Joseph	12 Spruceton Street, Selden, 11784
18-Feb	Mr. Libin Varghese & Mrs. Ruby Sara Mathews	244-36, 85th Avenue, F#1, Bellrose-11426
24-Feb	Mr. Monson Mathew & Mrs. Lizy M. Mathew	172 Lee Avenue, Hicksville,11801

### 2025 Executive Committee Members

1.	<i>Rev. V. T. Thomas</i>	<i>President</i>
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13.	<i>Mrs. Moncy Mathew</i>	<i>Sevika Sanghom</i>
14.	<i>Mr. Libin Varghese</i>	<i>Area Prayer Group 1 – Rep</i>
15.	<i>Mrs. Betty Saji</i>	<i>Area Prayer Group 2 – Rep</i>
16.	<i>Mr. Samkutty George</i>	<i>Area Prayer Group 3 – Rep</i>
17.	<i>Mr. Roy Thadathil</i>	<i>Choir Leader</i>