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## Vicar's Message

*"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." Isaiah 43:18-19 "Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced..." 1 Chronicles 16:11-12*

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

I wish all the Members of St. James Family to whom I belong for the past three and a half years a Blessed Year ahead!

There is an indefinable, overwhelming feeling of the 'sweet' pain of loss of something, which gives way to the joy of New Year bells, so fast! The all-round enthusiasm, welcoming the new future, with the attendant feel of something disturbingly new, overwhelms every other feeling in all hearts and minds. Invariably, there is an air of hope- hope for better days, better opportunities and greater achievements. Truly, hope springs eternal in every human heart! Surprisingly enough, without this hope and guarantee of the new and better days, no one would have survived the 'shock' of the frustrations and displeasures of the past. The door is slowly opening for the New Year, like the deceptively simple spread of light and colour, steadily increasing at every dawn. The stars of Christmas are still shining on to the portals of the New Year. It is a slowly opening magnificence. As we get to our feet after worshipping the Babe of Bethlehem, the New Year arrives. It seems highly symbolic that the New Year and order get inaugurated at the worship of the Incarnated Son of God.

But for the imaginative charm of the New Year, there is nothing new about the Day! It is just like any other day. The newness is in the minds and thoughts of those who welcome it - the wait with the "past tense, present perfect" kind of feeling. The year past has seen violence and terror all over the world. No part of this planet today is free from disturbances and fear. Yet as in the days of Noah, people go about their ways, celebrating and making merry! By the way, what are we celebrating today, at the face of the New Year? Do we have yet something left to celebrate?

The world has greatly lost the culture of innocence and selflessness. Everyone wants to be happy, at the expense of anyone or anything. The Bible tells us that novelty of all hues come from God only. Along with Nature, we too are challenged to be new every day, shedding the

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evils and frustrations of yesterday. And that seems possible only and only if we are mentally prepared to hand over not only our anxieties, but the actual bridle of our lives in to the willing hands of the Babe of Bethlehem, "in whom we live, move and have our being". The moment we are mentally equipped and hand over the control buttons of our hearts and lives to him, then comes the feeling of relief, a great burden off our back!

Newness is about convictions and the selfless human relationships. It is the company of those you mind in your life and the tenderness with which you care for the less fortunate around you! The new year is for becoming new at heart and doing new things to bring hope in the life of someone around you to tell somebody in all earnestness, "yes, I care....". In theological parlance it is the time to restart our endeavour to regain the lost innocence, holiness and wisdom with which God entrusted us in the beginning. We need to build and rebuild structures of justice and innocence all around, where the human beings can live in dignity, without fear and true to one's convictions. The culture of violence and exploitation and flexing of muscles by the mighty.....the list goes on, but there is still hope, so says the rays of Light emanating from the Manger!

Bethlehem tells us "still there is hope". Let us hold on to it. The Chinese do it literally, by throwing out all old things out of their houses at the time of the Chinese New Year. It is time for us to ponder and attempt to effect changes in our lives, and do things to make change for the better in someone else's life!

"Behold, I make all things new, says the Lord".

### WISH YOU ALL A BLESSED AND FRUITFUL NEW YEAR

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**FOR NOTE****Schedule Of Ushers**

January- March, 2017

Date	Bible Reading	Offertory	Prayer	Lay Assistants
<b>JANUARY</b>				
1 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Dani John Tanisha Mathew	Rowan Thomas Mathew, Irene Mathews	Christo Mathews Kurian	Abhay Thomas
8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Annamma Kurian Jiji Abraham	Aleena Ann Alex, Febin Varghese John	Nisha Stanley	Annamma Thomas Leelamma Issac
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Sneha Abraham Nitin Ninan John	Nalin Philip Mathew, Kripa Anna Shaji	Sanjay Abraham	Jobin Thomas Shino Joy
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Allen Binu Alex Jeena Binu Alex	Christi Anna Shaji, Naethan A. Mathew	Aniecia John	Shino Joy Joseph Alexander.
29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE	At the Jerusalem Mar Thoma Church, Safdarjung Enclave.		
<b>FEBRUARY</b>				
5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Roshan Manoj Uthup Aleena Ann Alex	Hannah R. Mathews, Joshua George	Bindhu Elizabeth Thomas	Ashin S Philip
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Chinnamma George Nisha Shajan	Ardra S. Vaidhyan Abhishek Soby Thomas	Lucy Alexander	Suja Thomas Aleyamma John
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Viju Abraham Sheena Varghese	Atul Alexander, Shruti S. Vaidhyan	Sneha Mariam Thomas	Johnson P. Varghese Nitin John
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Liju Abraham Issac Savita Liju	Ruth Sara Shajan Nigel Thomas Roy	Annie Viju	Shino Joy Joseph Alexander
<b>MARCH</b>				
5 <sup>th</sup> March	Ivan Mathew Rebecca Johnson	Roshan Manoj, Ananya Ann Mathew	Nisha Shajan	Allen Binu Alex
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Jisha Alexander Susamma Shaji	Febin V. John, Leeza K John	Jiji Abraham Annamma George	Kunjamma T.K
19 <sup>th</sup> March	George Alexander Peninnah Sarah Mathew	Atul Alexander, Serena Marian Jose	Shino Joy	Joseph Alexander Jobin Thomas
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Mathews Jacob Sarah Mathews	Nigel Thomas Roy Michele Elsa Philip	Betsy K. John	Shino Joy Thomas Varghese

## Prayer Meetings

January- March, 2017

### C A R M E L (1<sup>st</sup> Sundays)

Date	Name	Time
5 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Mr K J Philip, Flat No 121, Evergreen Apartments, Plot No. 9, Sect. 7, Dwarka	07:00PM
5 <sup>th</sup> March	----	

### H O R E B (2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays)

Date	Name	Time
8 <sup>th</sup> Jan	----	
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Mr. Mathews Jacob Flat no. E-504, Shubham Apartments, Plot No.13, Sector 22 ,Dwarka.	07:00 PM
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Jose George Flat no. 239, DDA SFS Flats, Pocket 1, Sector-22, Dwarka.	07:00 PM

### S I N A I (3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays)

Date	Name	Time
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan.	Mr. K V George B.508,Mayank Apartments Sector.6, Dwarka	07.00 pm
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Mr. Ranjeet Varghese 110,New Priyadarshini Apartments, Sector.6, Dwarka.	07.00 pm
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr Thomas T Oommen, Flat No. B-303, True Friends Apartments, Sector.6, Dwarka.	07.00 pm

### G A L I L E E (4<sup>th</sup> Sundays)

Date	Name	Time
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan.	Mrs. Mercy Cherian A-602, Thiruvizha Apts, Plot 37, Sector 10, Dwarka	07.00pm
26 <sup>th</sup> Feb.	Mr. M.A. Isaac, B-33, Hilansh Apartments, Plot -1, Sector 10, Dwarka.	07.00pm
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. T. S. Joseph 13, DDA, Surabhi Apartments, Pocket 1, Sector 11, Dwarka.	07.00pm

## Wedding Anniversary

S. No.	Name	Date	Contact
<b>JANUARY, 2017</b>			
1.	Mr. Jebu Alexander & Mrs. Reji Mary Jebu	2	9899247558
2.	Mr. A. C. Alexander & Mrs. Mariamma Alexander	6	9818213574
3.	Mr. K. J. Philip & Mrs. Achamma Philip	15	45028025
4.	Mr. Gautam Kumar Chaturvedi & Mrs. Susamma George	19	9968104534
5.	Ranjeet Varghese & Jeetu Varghese	19	9818674295
6.	Mr. Stanley K. Philip & Mrs. Elizabeth S. Philip	24	9810125439
7.	Mr. Thomas K. Mathew & Mrs. Sosamma Mathew	26	42728178
8.	Mr. R.S. Ninan & Mrs. Leela Ninan	26	9013825113
<b>FEBRUARY, 2017</b>			
1.	Mr. Joji Varghese & Mrs. Ritty Joji Varghese	2	28051657
2.	Mr. Michael Joseph & Mrs. Diana John	2	9891122021
3.	Mr. George Thomas & Mrs. Shiney Thomas	2	
4.	Mr. Philip Abraham & Mrs. Anu Philip	3	9899072722
5.	Mr. A.J. Philip & Mrs. Elizabeth Philip	4	9810995550
6.	Mr. George Alexander & Mrs. Daphne George	7	9811170836
7.	Mr Reuben Cherian & Mrs Kavya Venketesh	13	
8.	Mr. Thomas V. Thomas & Lt. Col. Sosamma Thomas	14	9868101439
9.	Mr Shino Joy & Tina Shino	15	7042396059
10.	Mr. Thomas Vinoy Thomas & Mrs. Liby Vinoy Thomas	19	9990054102
11.	Mr. Saju John Philip & Ms Liza Sarah Mathew	19	9910129723
12.	Mr. M.A. Issac & Mrs. Aleyamma Issac	23	9899186625
<b>MARCH, 2017</b>			
1	Mr. Anish Mathew & Mrs. Rincy Merlin	5	9654541124
2	Mr. A.J. Samuel & Mrs. Gracy Samuel	6	9868836834
3	Mr Kuruvilla N Varghese & Mrs Sheela Kuruvilla	16	

## Happy Birthday

**MARCH, 2017**

S. No.	Name	Date	Contact
1.	Mrs. Annamma George (W/o Mr. George Kutty Panicker)	2	9968313953
2.	Ms. Ishita Mammen, (Gd/o Mr. R.S. Ninan)	2	9013825113
3.	Mr. Christo Mathews Kurian	4	8375837249
4.	Ms. Sneha Sara Jose (D/o Mr. Jose George)	9	9811051017
5.	Ms. Kripa Anna Shaji (D/o Mr. Shaji Geevarghese)	9	9650350629
6.	Mr. Roy Thomas	9	9958985353
7.	Natalya Issac (G/Daughter of Mr. M A Issac)	10	9891079074
8.	Mrs. Elizabeth Mathew (W/o Col. Mathew Abraham T)	12	9899187114
9.	Mrs. Soma Alexander (W/o Mr. Alexander Jacob)	13	9213866921
10.	Mrs. Susan Thomas (W/o Mr. Thomas Skaria)	13	9891995192
11.	Mr. Varghese George (S/o Mr. George K. V.)	14	9811930948
12.	Ms. Sobha Thomas (D/o Mr. Thomas Babu K)	14	9013852032
13.	Mr. Kevin G Thomas (S/o Mr. George Thomas)	14	
14.	Mrs. Achamma Philip (W/o Mr. K.J. Philip)	15	45028025
15.	Mrs. Latha George (W/o Mr. Manoj Uthup)	16	7838170000
16.	Mrs. Shiney P Abraham (W/o Mr. Byju Varghese)	22	9711502143
17.	Mrs. Suja Binu (W/o Mr. Binu Thomas)	23	9990226630
18.	Mrs. Jessie John (W/o Mr. John Thomas)	27	25086205
19.	Mr. Jerin V George (S/o Mr. T.V. George)	29	9868106355
20.	Mrs. Anu Shilpa Kurian (W/o Mr. Saju Kurian)	30	42750102



## Organizational Events

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School classes will be held every Sunday at 7.30 A.M before the Worship Service in the basement.

The Cottage Prayer Meetings for the Sunday School Teachers will be held as per the following Schedule:

Date	Address	Time
5 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2017	R/o Mr. Christo Mathews, Flat No 42, Prem Milan Apartment, Plot No 19, Sector 18-A, Dwarka.	5.00 pm
5 <sup>th</sup> March, 2017	R/o Mrs. Betsy K John Flat No 121, Evergreen Apartments, Sector 7, Plot No 9, Dwarka.	5.00 pm

### Other important events are as under:

January 19th - Meeting of old and new Teachers at 7.00 pm at Church

January 22nd Commencement of Sunday School to be held at 7.30 am.

February 12th - Sunday School competitions for all Classes

March 5th - Bring and Buy sale

### YUVAJANA SAKHYAM

Yuvajana Sakhya meetings will be held in the Church on all 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays and Cottage Fellowship will be held on all the 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, as under:

Date	Address	Time
22 Jan. 2017	R/o Sneha Thomas	5.00 pm
26 Feb. 2017	R/o Saumya Abraham	5.00 pm
26 Mar. 2017	R/o Peninnah Mathew	5.00 pm

### SEVIKA SANGHAM

Cottage Prayer Meetings will be held as per the following Schedule:

Date	Address	Time
14.01.2017	Mrs. Kunjamma T.K 218, SFS MIG DDA Flats, Pocket-1, Sector - 19	4.00 pm
18.02.2017	Mrs. Lucy Alexander Flat no 29, Cosmos Apart. , Sector -10	4.00 pm
18.03.2017	Mrs. Sheeja Jose 239, Pocket-1, DDA SFS, Sector - 22	4.00 pm

### CHOIR

Choir practice would be held every Sunday, after the Church Service.

### EDAVAKA MISSION

Edavaka Mission meetings will be held in the Church on all Fridays at 8.00 P.M.

All Members are requested to actively participate in the meetings which will have Bible Study, Intercessory Prayers, House visits, etc.

### SENIOR CITIZENS FORUM

There will be meeting of the Senior Citizens on every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Church Service.. All Senior Citizen Members of the Parish are requested to kindly attend.

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S. No.	Name	Date	Contact
<b>JANUARY, 2017</b>			
1.	Mr. P.N. John	1	9868389998
2.	Mrs. Annamma Thomas (W/o Mr. Thomas Varghese)	1	9990227214
3.	Lt. Col. Sosamma Thomas (W/o Mr. Thomas V Thomas)	1	9868531439
4.	Mr. Mathews Jacob	1	9811429900
5.	Mrs. Mercy Cherian	2	9873667279
6.	Ms. Ananya Ann Mathew (D/o Mr. Linu Mathew Philip)	5	25547159
7.	Mast. Abhishek Soby Thomas (S/o Mr. Soby K Thomas)	5	9560886041
8.	Ms. Liza Sara Mathew	5	
9.	Mrs. Jeena Binu (W/o Mr. Binu Alex .T)	8	9910071256
10.	Mr. Anand Mathew	8	9818065657
11.	Mrs. Susan Easow (W/o Mr. Johnson P)	8	9899277255
12.	Ms. Liya Bensy Thomas (D/o Mr. Thomas Bensy Kurian)	11	9650348909
13.	Mrs. Melvi Kurian (W/o Mr. Varghese K. George)	11	25099538
14.	Ms. Catherine Mary George (D/o Mr. George Alexander)	12	9811170836
15.	Mrs. Lucy Alexander (W/o Mr. Alexander V.L.)	12	9650773857
16.	Mr. R.S Ninan	13	9013825113
17.	Mr. Cherry Thomas (S/o Mrs. Mercy Cherian)	15	45022925
18.	Mrs. Bindu Jiji Thomas	18	9818699340
19.	Mrs. Ammini Sunny (W/o Mr. Sunny C. I)	18	9871611837
20.	Mr. George Alexander	20	9811170836
21.	Mrs. Liby Vinoy Thomas (W/o Mr. Thomas Vinoy Thomas)	20	9990054102
22.	Mr. Varghese K. George	25	9810091710
23.	Mrs. Anit Cherian (W/o Mr. Cherian Joseph)	25	8860088751
24.	Ms. Sharon Rebecca Thomas (D/o Capt. Thomas J.M.)	27	9810269340
25.	Mr. K .J. Philip	30	45028025
26.	Ms. Leeza K. John (D/o Mr. John K. Philip)	30	45028025

## Happy Birthday

<b>FEBRUARY, 2017</b>			
S. No.	Name	Date	Contact
1.	Mrs. Sosamma Mathew (W/o Mr. Thomas K Mathew)	2	9654541124
2.	Mast. Nalin Philip Mathew (S/o Mr. Linu Mathew Philip)	2	011-25547159
3.	Mr. A.J. Samuel	5	9868836834
4.	Ms Mahima Ann Thomas,( D/o Wg. Cdr. George Thomas)	5	
5.	Mr. Mohit Mathew, (S/o Mr. Mathew Simon)	7	9818691661
6.	Joel Johnson, (S/o Mr Johnson PC)	8	9810566201
7.	Mrs. Sigy T. Vaidhyan	9	9958883281
8.	Mr. Anish Mathew	10	9810474967
9.	Mr. Joseph Alexander (S/o Mr. Alexander A.C.)	11	9818596145
10.	Mrs. Anu Philip, (W/o Mr. Philip Abraham)	12	9899072722
11.	Ms. Kristine Teresa Philip (D/o Mr. Philip Abraham)	12	9899072722
12.	Mr. Aron Philip Saju	13	
13.	Ms. Michele Elsa Philip (D/o Mr. Philip Abraham)	14	9899072722
14.	Mast. Ryan George (Gs/o Mr. George Kutty Panicker)	15	9968313953
15.	Master Samuel Jacob George (s/o Mr. George Alexander)	15	9811170836
16.	Mast. Febin Varghese John (S/o Mr. John Varghese)	18	9899757194
17.	Mr. Gautam Kumar Chaturvedi	19	9968104534
18.	Mrs. Kunjamma T.K, (W/o Mr. T.K Kochunju)	19	9350628321
19.	Mrs. Sheela Samuel (W/o Mr. Samuel V Thomas)	21	9312243089
20.	Mr. Anish Mathew (S/o Mr. Thomas K Mathew)	22	9654541124
21.	Mr. Robin Sam, (S/o Mr. Samuel A.J.)	22	65963342
22.	Mr. K. V. George	23	9711310948
23.	Mr. Babu Cherian	24	9818128110
24.	Mr. Cherian Joseph	24	8860088751
25.	Ms. Soumya Rachel Thomas (D/o Mr. P.T. Thomas)	25	25079816
26.	Mr. T.K. Kochukunju	26	9350628321
27.	Mrs. Liji S. Abraham (W/o Mr. Sanjay Abraham)	27	9871771475
28.	Mast. Nathan Alexander (Gs/o Mr. Alexander Jacob)	27	28051490