

Monthly Newsletter August - 2024



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Our Vicar

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1. Worship Service Schedule

| Date | Worship Type | Time |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| | | |
| 04 - August | Holy Communion in English | 10:30AM |
| 11 - August | Holy Communion in Malayalam | 10:30AM |
| 18 - August | Holy Communion in Malayalam | 10:30AM |
| 25 - August | Praise and Worship Service in English | 10:30AM |

| Date | Lessons | Epistle | Gospel |
|-------------|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 04 - August | Isa 6:1-8 Acts 19:8-12 | Rom 1:8-17 | Matt 10:7-16 |
| 11 - August | Exod 3:7-14 Gal 5:1-4 | Rom 6:15-23 | John 8:31-36 |
| 18 - August | 2Kgs 23:1-3 1Pet 1:13-25 | 1John 2:13-17 | Matt 23:23-28 |
| 25 - August | Duet 6:1-9 Acts 28:23-30 | 2Tim 3:10-17 | Matt 13:18-23 |

2. Vicar's Message

Message for the month of August

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ.

Thank God for protecting us during July. I congratulate all the students who participated in our Vacation Bible School. Appreciating the efforts of our teachers, volunteers and wellwishers.

As we enter the month of August, we reflect on the goodness of God and the blessings we've received. Despite the challenges we face, we remain steadfast in our faith, trusting in His love and guidance.

On August 6th we celebrate the Feast of Transfiguration. As we celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration, we remember the moment when Jesus' divine nature shone through, revealing His glory to Peter, James, and John. This powerful event reminds us that we, too, can be transformed by God's presence in our lives.

Just as Jesus' transfiguration prepared Him for His journey to Jerusalem, may we also be strengthened for our journeys. May we listen to His voice, just as the Father commands, and may our lives all reflect the glory of God. Join us for worship and reflection on this special feast day as we bask in the radiance of God's love. We should ask ourselves on this occasion. How has God's presence transformed your life? What areas of your life need transformation? How can you reflect God's glory to others?

May the glory of God shine upon us all!

With regards and prayers, Jobin John Achen 845 715 2347 jobinkcd@gmail.com

3. Events and Announcements

Sunday School

Sunday School is currently on summer break and will resume on September 8th. For more information, please contact Dr. Jincy Daniel.

Senior Citizens Meeting

Senior Citizens meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 14 at 10AM. For more information, please contact Coordinator: Mr. K. V. Mathew.

Edavaka Mission and Sevika Sangham

Edvaka Mission & Sevika Sangham monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 07 at 10AM. For more information, please contact Mr. Jose George / Mrs. Asha Oommen respectively.

Couples Corner

Couples Corner Fellowship will pause for the summer and will resume on Saturday, Sep 28 at 6PM (location TBD). For more information, please contact Mr. John Alex.

Up Coming Events (Parish and Diocesan)

- ${\bf 1.} \ Student \ Dedication \ and \ Recognition \ of \ Graduating \ \ Students \ on \ {\bf Sunday, August} \ {\bf 04}$
- 2. Bethany Annual Family Retreat will be from Aug 09 to Aug 11 at Pinebrook Christian Retreat Center, PA
- 3. Onam Celebration on Sunday, September 1
- 4. Sunday School Resume for '24-'25 on Sunday, September 8
- 5. Sevika Sangham Pothichorru Sale on Sunday, September 15
- 6. Church Convention from Oct 18 to Oct 20
- 7. Bethany Thanksgiving Celebration om Sunday, December 1
- 8. Bethany Christmas Carol House Visit Dec 7,8,14 and 15
- 9. Bethany Annual Christmas Program Dec 21 @ 5PM

4. Parish Events for the Month of August

| S.No | Event | Date | Time |
|------|---|-----------------|---------|
| | | | |
| 1. | Youth Meeting with Rev. Jason Achen | 04 - August | 05:00PM |
| 2. | Edavaka Mission and Sevika Sangham | 07 - August | 10:00AM |
| 3. | Soup Angels in Nyack (17 South Broadway, Nyack, NY) | 07 - August | 04:30PM |
| 4. | Bethany Annual Retreat (see Appendix for details) | 9 Aug to 11 Aug | 04:00PM |
| 5. | Senior Citizens Meeting | 14 - August | 10:00AM |
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5. Birthdays and Anniversaries

| Birthday | Name | Birthday | Name |
|------------|---------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| | | | |
| Aug 1 | Joel Mammen Mathew | Aug 15 | Gladys Sawhney |
| Aug 2 | Alvy Vincent | Aug 17 | Saramma George |
| Aug 3 | Julia Sebastian | Aug 17 | Joseph Mathai |
| Aug 5 | Shane Daniel | Aug 17 | Saly Thomas |
| Aug 8 | Sara J George | Aug 21 | Chacko Kurian |
| Aug 11 | Kyle Mathew Sam | Aug 24 | Roxanne Daniel |
| Aug 11 | Stephen Abin Wilson | Aug 24 | Sarah R Alex |
| Aug 12 | Grace Joe Thomas | Aug 26 | Sera Daniel |
| Aug 13 | Zach George | Aug 26 | Abraham Mathews |
| Aug 15 | Noah Alexander | Aug 30 | Santhamma Vaidian |
| Anniversar | y Name | Anniversa | ary Name |
| Aug 07 | Shawn George Sam & Soolu Thomas | Aug 19 | Easow Abraham & Shiny Abraham |
| Aug 14 | Sam Jacob & Annie Jacob | Aug 25 | Juan George & Ancy Thankachan |
| Aug 15 | John Mathew & Valsa Mathew | Aug 25 | Jimmy John & Dr. Simi Ann John |
| Aug 18 | Roy Thomas & Jane Thomas | Aug 29 | Reny Rajan Daniel & Roxanne Daniel |
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6. Committee and Sub-Committee Members Directory

| S.No | Position | Name | Contact |
|-------------|---|----------------------------|--------------|
| | | | |
| 1. | President | Rev. Jobin John Achen | 845-715-2347 |
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| 13. | Sunday School | Dr. Jincy Daniel | 281-723-8778 |
| 14. | Youth Fellowship | Mr. Shane Daniel | 845-270-5045 |
| 15. | Malayalam Choir | Mr. John Mathew | 845-365-8289 |
| 16. | English Choir | Mrs. Divya Mathew | 845-270-5484 |
| 17. | Prayer Group A | Mr. Samkutty O. George | 201-699-3972 |
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| 20. | Sevika Sangham | Mrs. Asha Oommen | 845-323-3127 |
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PineBrook Retreat Center

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9TH, 2024

RETREAT SCHEDULE

| Time | Event | Location |
|----------|--|----------------|
| 04:00 PM | REGISTRATION | ос |
| 05:30 PM | DINNER | DINING HALL |
| 06:30 PM | OPENING WORSHIP | wc |
| 06:45 PM | PRAISE & GRACE | wc |
| 07:05 PM | WELCOME SPEECH | wc |
| 07:10 PM | PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS | wc |
| 07:15 PM | THEME PRESENTATION (DR. VINO J DANIEL) | wc |
| 08:15 PM | BREAKOUT SESSIONS (DR. VINO J DANIEL, DR. SHAUN RAJAN, SUNDAY SCHOOL) | BREAKOUT ROOMS |
| 09:00 PM | REFLECTION | wc |
| 09:20 PM | ANNOUNCEMENTS | wc |
| 09:30 PM | REFRESHMENTS | PAVILLION |
| 11:00 PM | LIGHTS OUT | ROOMS |

BREAKOUT ROOMS:

WC (WHITE CHAPEL) - ADULTS (MALAYALAM),
OC (OVERBROOK CHAPEL) - YOUTHS & COUPLES
CG (CLEARBOOK CHAPEL) - CHILDREN

PineBrook Retreat Center

5339 Pinebrook Rd, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301



PINEBROOK MAP

RETREAT SCHEDULE

| Time | Event | Location |
|----------|--|--------------------------|
| 07:00 AM | WELNESS AND FITNESS | ос |
| 08:30 AM | BREAKFAST | DINNER HALL |
| 09:15 AM | MORNING WORSHIP | wc |
| 09:30 AM | PRAISE & GRACE | wc |
| 09:45 AM | MAIN TALK (DR. VINO J DANIEL) | wc |
| 10:45 AM | BREAKOUT SESSIONS (DR. VINO J DANIEL, DR. SHAUN RAJAN, SUNDAY SCHOOL) | BREAKOUT ROOMS |
| 11:45 AM | REFLECTION | wc |
| 12:00 PM | GROUP PICTURE & ANNOUNCEMENTS | wc |
| 12:30 PM | LUNCH | DINNER HALL |
| 01:00 PM | RECREATION TIME | OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES |
| 05:30 PM | DINNER | DINNER HALL |
| 06:30 PM | PRAISE NIGHT | wc |
| 07:15 PM | FAMILY & TALENT NIGHT | WC |
| 09:15 PM | ANNOUNCEMENTS & CAMPFIRE | NOEL'S NOOK AMPHITHEATRE |
| 11:00 PM | LIGHTS OUT | ROOMS |

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Location

| 07:00 AM | WELLNESS AND FITNESS | ос |
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| 08:30 AM | BREAKFAST | DINNER HALL |
| 09:15 AM | HOLY COMMUNION | wc |
| 11:00 AM | DEDICATION | wc |
| 11:30 AM | REFLECTION, VIDEO, VOTE OF THANKS, PRAYER & BENEDICTION | wc |
| 12:30 PM | LUNCH | DINNER HALL |
| 01:30 PM | DEPARTURE | 90 |

Special Thanks

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Event Committee
Volunteers

Contributors

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