

Wedding Anniversaries in February 2010

Date	Name
2 nd	Mrs. & Mr. Joseph Varkki T.
5 th	Mrs. & Mr. K.K. Koshy
	Mrs. & Mr. Thomas K. Varghese
7 th	Mrs. & Mr. Kurien T. Mathew
	Mrs. & Mr. Oommen P. Mathew
	Mrs. & Mr. Samuel K. Joshua
12 th	Mrs. & Mr. W.N. Jacob
	Mrs. & Mr. Thomas Kurian
	Mrs. & Mr. Baker Fenn J.
14 th	Mrs. & Mr. Thomas Cherian
	Mrs. & Mr. Abraham Jini Jacob
15 th	Mrs. & Mr. Zachariah Varkey
18 th	Mrs. & Mr. Sabu Johnson
	Mrs. & Dr. Suresh Samuel Reddy
19 th	Mrs. & Mr. Charley Jacob
21 st	Mrs. & Mr. K.M. Mathew (Sunny)
28 th	Mrs. & Mr. David Cherian

Youth Movement Picnic

A picnic is arranged by the Youth Movement on 5th February 2010 at the Messila Beach. Conveyance is available from Abbassiya (near UIS) & Salmiya (Parsonage) at 8.00AM. Please bring appropriate dress for Beach Volleyball & a dip in the sea. Contact Mr. Harold Mathew John at 97671249 for more details.

Transport Arrangements

Sunday School :

Please contact Mr. Chandy Abraham, Headmaster
Mob: 99386851

Divine Service (Saturdays) from Abbassiya :

Please contact Mr. Jacob Chacko
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Announcements

40th Anniversary celebrations of St. Peter's C.S.I. Congregation, Kuwait

During the special General Body meeting held at the Church on 16th January 2010, it was decided to celebrate the 40th anniversary of our congregation in a befitting manner.

A Thanksgiving service is arranged at the Church & Parish Hall, NECK on Thursday, 25th March 2010 at 7.00PM followed by a public meeting. A variety entertainment show will be staged in April, show casing the talents of our congregation. Your prayerful participation is solicited.

Details of these events will be sent by e-mail.

Senior Forum

Since November 2009, the senior forum is being conducted at the Diwaniyah on every first Friday of the month. By God's grace, these meetings have been a blessed experience to all those who attended. The next meeting is scheduled to be held on 5th February 2010 at 8.45AM.

Kuwait Episcopal Church Fellowship (KECF)

Ecumenical worship will be celebrated on Wednesday, 24th February 2010 from 7.00PM to 9.30PM at the EBBA Hall, Abbasiya. Our Choir will be leading the worship. Kindly attend.

New Members

Hearty welcome to
Mr. & Mrs. George John Jose, Kurumbanadom
Mr. & Mrs. Prince Mathew, Kumaranaloor
Mr. & Mrs. Joshi Abraham, Plankamon
Mr. Baker Biji Fenn, Vazhoor
Mr. Jassac Ariat, Kodukulanji

who have joined our congregation recently.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Date	Time		Venue	Theme
6 Sat 5 th Week after Epiphany	7.15 pm	Holy Communion	Church & Ph.	Healing Ministry of the people of God
12 Fri 5 th Week after Epiphany	8.45 am	Holy Communion	Diwaniya	Proclamation of truth
13 Sat 6 th Week after Epiphany	7.15 pm	Holy Communion	Church & Ph.	Life Pattern
17 Wed Ash Wednesday	7.15 pm	Holy Communion	Church & Ph.	The Cross: The sign of self discipline and vicarious life
20 Sat 6 th Week before Easter 1 st Week in Lent	7.15 pm	Holy Communion	Church & Ph.	Materialism and spirituality
26 Fri 6 th Week before Easter 1 st Week in Lent	8.45 am	Holy Communion	Diwaniya	Celebrating Reconciliation with God and Creation
27 Sat 5 th Week before Easter 2 nd Week in Lent	7.15 pm	Holy Communion (English)	Church	Human relationships based on mutual trust and respect

6th February 2010 will be celebrated as the BIBLE DAY. Special cover collection is arranged and the proceeds of the same will be sent to the Bible Society of India.

Lectionary

Date	1 st Lesson	Psalms	2 nd Lesson	Gospel
6 Sat	2 Kings 5:1-4	Ps. 6	1 Timo 1:12-17	Mark 7:31-37
12 Fri	Exodus 20:1-17	Ps. 33:1-12	Gal 5:1-6	Luke 4:16-30
13 Sat	Ezekiel 18:1-9	Ps. 119:33-40	James 2:8-13	Matthew 5:17-20
17 Wed	Jeremiah 9:17-21	Ps. 43	Galatians 6:11-18	Mark 10:32-34
20 Sat	1 King 21:1-16	Ps. 49:1-7;16-20	1 John 2:15-17	Mark 1:40-45
26 Fri	Genesis 33:1-17	Ps. 34	Romans 5:1-11	Luke 19:1-10
27 Sat	1 Samuel 18:1-4;17-29	Ps. 55	Philemon 8-16	Matthew 5:43-48



St. Peter's C.S.I. Congregation Kuwait

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Presbyter's Message

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ



Greetings to you In the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,

February 17th is the Ash Wednesday .The lent begins. This is a season set apart by the church for self-examination and purification of Christians. Cross is a symbol of shame, and humiliation became a sign of salvation and blessing after the death of our Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST

I. The man of the cross

Jesus was a man. He was more than man, but he was a man who ever lived. Simon Peter called him "Christ, the Son of the Living God" (Matt. 16:16). John the Baptist testified "Behold the Lamb of God", which takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29). After the resurrection, Thomas exclaimed, "My Lord and my God" (John 20:28).

II. The maker of the cross

Who was responsible for the death of Jesus? If we were to look at the matter from merely a human standpoint, we might say that the Roman soldiers who nailed him to the cross were actually the orders of the deed. They carried out the execution orders and did a job similar to the one they had done many times before in a routine manner. If we want to go back a little farther, we might say that Jesus' Crucifixion was Pilate's fault. If we wish to go back still further, we can blame the Jewish people, or we might blame Judas. Yet all of these are superficial ways of placing the blame. The death of Jesus was more than the death of any other man. It was an event that had been in the mind of God from the creation of the world. All of God's dealings with humanity had pointed towards it. This was the Lord's doing. Christ had to die in order that God's redemptive programme be consummated. Humans are sinners both by nature and by practice, and they can never be good enough to save themselves. Humanity's sin drove Jesus to the cross. The poet says:

It was I that shed the sacred blood
I nailed Him to the tree
I crucified the Christ of God
I joined the mockery of all that shouting multitude
I feel that I am one.
And in that din of voices rude
I recognize my own.

We are planning to commence the 40th Anniversary celebrations of our Congregation, the first event of the same, a thanksgiving service and public meeting will be held on 25th March, 2010.

I request your whole hearted co-operation and prayerful participation for the success of these events.

May God bless you.

Rev. Jacob T. Abraham
Vicar

Regular Programme

Senior Forum:	Every 1 st Friday - 08:45 am at Diwaniya, NECK.
Ladies' Fellowship:	Friday, February 19 th – 08:45 am at Diwaniya, NECK.
Youth Fellowship:	1 st & 3 rd Friday – 03:30 pm
Choir Practice:	Every Wednesday 07:30 pm, at UIS, Abbasiya
Sunday School:	Every Friday 05:30 pm
Ladies & Gents Meeting :	Every Friday 05:30 pm at the Activity Hall # 3, NECK.
Cottage Prayer:	Every Thursday 07:30 pm

Cottage Prayer

Date	Shalom Prayer Group	Bethel Prayer Group
4 th	Mr. Raju Varghese Tel: 25657307 Mob: 99434132	
11 th		Mr. George Koshy Tel: 24332396 Mob: 99176021
18 th	Mr. Thomas T. Thomas Tel: 25318232 Mob: 99513617	
25 th		Mrs. Susan Abraham Tel: 24755765

**Stand firm. Let nothing move you.
Always give yourselves fully to the work of
the Lord, because you know that your labour
in the Lord is not in vain.**

1 Corinthians 15:58

Birthdays in February 2010

Date	Name	
1	Anil Mathew Varghese	
2	Delcy Leya Philipose	D/o Mr. Mammen Philipose
	Mr. Joseph Mathew	
	Sanjay Mathew	S/o Mr. K.M. Mathew
	Mrs. Suja Sugu	W/o Mr. Sugu Kuruvila
3	Mrs. Anna Shanti Varghese	W/o Mr. George P. Varghese
	Mrs. Annie Kuruvila	W/o Mr. Kuruvila Cherian
	Sinjith Kurien Mathew	S/o Mr. Mathew T. Kurien
4	Mr. Jacob W.N.	
	Mrs. Susan Rony Mathew	W/o Mr. Rony Mathew
5	Chenille Jacob	S/o Mr. Jacob John K.
	Mr. Binu Jacob	
6	Mrs. Susan Jacob	W/o Mr. Jacob Kurien
7	Anish Selin Nelson	S/o Mr. Selin Nelson
	Jejo Abraham Jacob	S/o Mr. P.A. Jacob
	Sam Mathew	S/o Mr. Kurien Mathew
	Mark Thomas	S/o Mr. Thomas T. Thomas
	Mr. Santhosh Jacob	
8	Mr. Biji Jacob Cherian	
9	Mr. Thomas T. Thomas	
10	Mrs. Achamma Mathew	
	Thejus Samuel Joshua	S/o Mr. K.J. Samuel
11	Mrs. Saramma Jacob	
13	Carlo Robin Jacob	D/o Mr. Robinson Jacob
14	Dan John Mathew	S/o Mr. Babu Mathew
	Lenoy Joe Jacob	S/o Mr. P.A. Jacob
	Mr. Kurien C. Mathew	
	Mathew M. Varghese	S/o Mr. Mammen Varghese
	Mr. Roy Varghese Paul	
15	Mrs. Seena Biju George	W/o Mr. Biju Geoge Paul
	David George Mathew	S/o Mr. Thomas Mathew
	Mr. Harold Mathew John	
	Rosle Elsa Thomas	D/o Mr. K.E. Thomas
	Regien T. Raju	S/o Mr. Raju Varghese K.
	Mr. Joseph John	
	Mr. Neil Johns	

**You are a child of God,
His treasured possession.
He created you in His own image.
He chose the day for you to be born.
He has a plan and a purpose for your life.**

Date	Name	
16	Emil George Varghese	S/o Mr. George P. Varghese
17	Pradeep Chacko George	S/o. George Podippara
	Jisha Alice Varghese	D/o Varghese Issac
	Bryan Thomas Abraham	S/o Mr. C. Thomas Abraham
18	Sneha Kurien	D/o Mr. Kurien T. Mathew
	Nimisha Susan Sugu	D/o Mr. Sugu Kuruvila
	Mrs. Betti Jacob	W/o Mr. Jacob Mathew
	Jiya Mathew	D/o Mr. Saji Mathew
19	Mrs. Annie Abraham	W/o Mr. Abraham Thomas
20	Mr. Zacharia Mathew	
21	Ashwin Thomas	S/o Mr. Suresh Thomas
	Mrs. Manija Vinod	W/o Mr. Vinod Kurien
22	Robin Jesu Thomas	S/o Mr. K.E. Thomas
23	Dodson Thomas	S/o Mrs. K.C..Thomas
	George V. George	S/o Dr. George Varkey
	Mrs. Ashly Chandy	W/o Mr. Chandy Abraham
	Mrs. Asha Leena Thomas	W/o Mr. Zachariah Varkey
24	Mrs. Saramma John	W/o Mr. John K. Sam
	Mrs. Geemol Abraham	W/o Mr. Abraham Mathew
	Jacob George Oommen	S/o Mr. George Oommen
	Mr. Philip M. Philip	
	Mr. Thomas John (Biju)	
25	Joanne Thomas	D/o Mr. Philip Thomas
26	Mrs. Renjini John	W/o Mr. Alex John Alexander
27	Sindhu Soman John	D/o Mr. Soman John
	Mr. Nebu Joseph P.	
28	Mr. Saji Abraham K	
	Mrs. Susan V. Oommen	
	Rino Roy	S/o Mrs. Sajini Cherian

New Arrival

Baby girl to Mrs. & Mr. Stephen Manoj on 13th January 2010.
Baby girl to Mrs. & Mr. Ajai P. Oommen on 18th January 2010.
Baby boy to Mrs. & Mr. Philip M. Ninan on 23rd January 2010.

*Congratulations to the new proud parents and praise
God for his blessing.*

**God has made us what we are,
and in our union with Christ Jesus
he has created us for a life of good deeds,
which he has already prepared for us to do.**

Ephesians 2: 10