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Sunday Service - 10.30 AM

The Paschal Easter Greeting consists of a greeting and response..

Greeting - "Christ is Risen!"
Response - "Indeed, He is Risen!!"



கிறிஸ்துவுக்குள் பிரியமானவர்களே ,

இயேசுவின் இனிய நாமத்தில் வாழ்த்துக்கள்! இம்மாதத்தில், கிறிஸ்து இயேசுவின் பாடு, மரணம் மற்றும் உயிர்த்தெழுதலை அதிகமாக தியானிக்க இருக்கிறோம்.

அப்போஸ்தலனாகிய பவுல், "அவருக்காக எல்லாவற்றையும் நஷ்டமென்று விட்டேன். குப்பையுமாக எண்ணுகிறேன்" என்று கூறுகிறார். எதற்காக? அவரையும் அவருடைய உயிர்த்தெழுதலின் வல்லமையை அறிகிறதற்கும், அவருடைய பாடுகளின் ஐக்கியத்தை அறிகிறதற்கும், மரித்தோரிலிருந்து உயிரோடு எழுந்திருப்பதற்கு தகுதியாகும் படிக்கும் தான். இதற்காக அவர் இயேசுவுடைய மரணத்துக்கொப்பான மரணத்திற்குள்ளானதையும் குறிப்பிடுகிறார்.

Easter Symbol - Rabbit, hare, eggs



Symbol of new life and rebirth

நாமும் இவ்வாறு சுயவெறுப்பில் சுகித்திருப்பதிலும், மேலான ஆவிக்குரிய அறிவை அடைவதிலும், அவரின் பாடுகளில் பங்கு பெறுவதிலும் முன்னேற தேவன் தாமே நமக்கு கிருபை அருள்வாராக!

திருச்சபைப் பணிகளில், அருள்திரு. S. ஜான்.

The name Maundy is derived from mandatum (Latin, "commandment"), the first word of an anthem sung in the liturgical ceremony on that day.

Easter Symbol - Hot Cross Buns



Crosses represent the moon's quarters. Crosses also represent crucifixion of Christ

Based on the scriptural details of the Sanhedrin Trial of Jesus, and scientific analysis, the Crucifixion of Jesus was most probably on a Friday and is estimated as AD 34 by Isaac Newton via the differences between the Judean and Julian calendars and the crescent of the moon.

தியான வசனம்

நானே உயிர்த்தெழுதலும் ஜீவனுமாயிருக்கிறேன், என்னை விசுவாசிக்கிறவன் மரித்தாலும் பிழைப்பான். யோவான் 11:25



2 nd World Autism Day	9 th Maundy Thursday (7.30 PM service)	14 th Day of Justin Martyr
4 th Day of Ambrose of Milan	10 th Good Friday (8:00 AM service)	18 th World Heritage Day
5 th Palm Sunday	12 th Easter Day (6:15 AM service)	22 nd Earth Day
5 th National Maritime Day	(offer Self Denial offertory)	23 rd World Book and Copyright Day
6 th , 7 th , 8 th - Holy Week (7:00 PM Service)		25 th Day of Mark the Evangelist
7 th World Health Day		

As we remember Saint Mark this month....

Saint Mark (Hebrew: (מָרְכּוֹס) :keerG ;מַרְכּוֹס was an apostle and the traditional author of the 2nd Gospel [written between 48 and 63 AD]. Mark accompanied St. Paul and St. Barnabas, on their mission to Cyprus. St. Mark is the patron of Venice and of its famous cathedral, where his relics are shown. His symbol as an evangelist is a lion. His



fast day is celebrated on 25 April, the anniversary of his martyrdom. St Mark was also the first bishop of Alexandria and the first Pope of Alexandria. He is considered the founder of the church in Alexandria, according to the Coptic Church understanding, and thus the founder of Christianity in Africa.

St. Mark's Martyrdom: The believers built a church in the place known as Bokalia (the place of cows), east of Alexandria on the sea shore. The day when they were celebrating the feast of the Resurrection in the year 68 A.D. coincided with the great pagan celebration for the feast of the god Syrabis. Thus a multitude of pagans assembled, attacked the church at Bokalia, and forced their way in. They seized St. Mark, bound him with a thick rope, and dragged him with severe cruelty through the streets crying, "Drag the dragon to the place of cows." His flesh was torn and scattered everywhere, and the ground of the city was covered with his blood. Finally, St. Mark delivered up his pure soul into the hands of God and received the crown of martyrdom.

Easter is celebrated on the first Sunday after the full moon which happens on or after March 21, the Spring Equinox.

Since 1970, the colour of the Good Friday vestments is red. Previously it was black.



Our Greatest Need

If our greatest need had been information, God would have sent us an educator.

If our greatest need had been technology, God would have sent us a scientist.

If our greatest need had been money, God would have sent us an economist.

If our greatest need had been pleasure, God would have sent us an entertainer.

But our greatest need was forgiveness, So God made his Son shed His blood for us.



Palm Sunday
Jesus enters Jerusalem

At the Council of Nicaea in 314 AD, the forty days' Lent was approved. All fasting ended with the dawn of Easter morning, and the Pentecostal period of rejoicing then began.



Since the reform of Pope Pius XII, the Maundy Thursday Service is celebrated in the evening.

Maundy Thursday commemorates the Last Supper of Christ with his Apostles and the institution of the Eucharist.

The Anglo-Saxon word for April was "Eostre-monath" (the month of openings). The word "Easter" comes from this word "Eostre". However, Christians celebrated the resurrection of Christ long before the word "Easter" was used. The word used for this celebration was "Pascha", which is linked to the Jewish festival of Passover.

அல்லேலூயா, கர்த்தரைத் துதியுங்கள், அவர் நல்லவர். அவர் கிருபை என்முள்ளது. சங். 106:1

May God bless all our members who celebrate their birthdays & wedding anniversaries.

Birthdays 4 th Mr. Easter Prabhakaran 4 th Mast. Timothy Anbu 4 th Mast. Jeremy Vijay Daniel 6 th Mrs. Kalpana Simon 6 th Mr. Jayaseelan Samuel B 8 th Mr. James Peter 8 th Mr. Williams R.G. 10 th Mrs. Indrani Chandran 10 th Mr. Rajasekar	12 th Mr. Manohar Francis 12 th Mrs. Bakyam Ruban 13 th Miss Sheryl Silvester 13 th Mrs. Leena Emmanuel Petus 13 th Mrs. Jenifa Jeyakumar 14 th Mrs. Stelma Easter 14 th Mrs. G.P. Manohari Matthew 15 th Mr. I. Irudaya Balasundaram 16 th Mrs. Burnice Padmavathy Samuel Raj	17 th Miss Monika 18 th Mr. Ruben D. Charles 18 th Mrs. Sheeba Dixson Jose 21 st Mast. Amrit Jeyakumar 25 th Mr. Joash John Amalraj 27 th Mr. John Arul Chelliah 27 th Mrs. Sumithra Baskaran 27 th Mr. Suresh Kumar 29 th Mr. Victor Jayaraj
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Wedding Anniversaries

22 nd Mr. & Mrs. Arul Chelliah	22 nd Mr. & Mrs. Ruben Charles	25 th Mr. & Mrs. Jayaseelan Samuel B
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Sermon topics

DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
5 th Palm Sunday	Christ enters Jerusalem to offer his life for the salvation of the world	Isaiah 52:13 - 53:12; Heb 5:1-10; Mark 14:1 - 15:39
9 th Maundy Thursday	Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment and institutes the Lord's Supper	Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14; Jer.31:31-34; I Cor. 11:23-29 John 13:1-17, 34-35
10 th Good Friday	The victory of the cross	Genesis 22:1-18; Heb. 10:4-24; John 18:1 - 19:42
12 th Easter Sunday	The Lord is risen, he is risen indeed. Alleluia!	Exodus 15:1-2, 19-21; Col.3:1-4 John 20:1-10
19 th , Sunday after Easter	Joy and peace, power and new life are given through the Resurrection of Christ	Acts 4:32-35; I John 1:1-7; John 20:19-31
26 th , Second Sunday after Easter	Witness to Christ's Resurrection	Acts 5:27-42; I John 2:18-25; Luke 24:36-48

Why Did Jesus Fold The Napkin???

The Gospel of John (20:7) tells us that the napkin, which was placed over the face of Jesus, was neatly folded, and was placed at the head of that stony coffin. சீமோன் பேதுரு சீலைகள் கிடக்கிறதையும், அவருடைய தலையில் சுற்றியிருந்த சீலை மற்றச் சீலைகளுடனே வைத்திராமல் தனியே ஒரு இடத்திலே சுருட்டி வைத்திருக்கிறதையும் கண்டான். And Simon Peter saw that the napkin, that was about his head was not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. **Is that important? Absolutely.. Is it really significant? Yes!**

According to the Hebrew tradition of that day, the folded napkin had to do with the Master and Servant, and every Jewish boy knew this tradition. When the servant set the dinner table for the master, he made sure that it was exactly the way the master wanted it and would wait just out of sight, until the master had finished eating. Now if the master was done eating, he would rise from the table, wipe his fingers, his mouth, and clean his beard, and would wad up that napkin and toss it onto the table. The servant would then know to clear the table. For in those days, the wadded napkin meant, 'I'm done'. But if the maser got up from the table and folded his napkin, and laid it beside his plate, the servant would not dare touch the table, because the folded napkin meant, 'I'm coming back!'.

Let us wait for the Lord our master, who would be coming back again...



OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Youth Fellowship** - 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday during the Service
- Men's Fellowship & Women's Fellowship** - 2nd and 4th Sunday after the Sunday Service
- Sunday School** - 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sunday during the Service
- Free Order of Service** - 4th Sunday (No Holy Communion)



- Guitar Classes** - 2nd & 4th Sunday after the Service.
- Choir Practice** - Every Sunday after the service.

BIBLE QUIZ

April 2009

- > விடைகள் வசன ஆதாரத்துடன் இருக்கவேண்டும்.
- > ஒரு கேள்விக்கு ஒரு பதில் மட்டும் எழுத வேண்டும்.
- > விடைகள் போதகரிடம் வந்து சேர வேண்டிய கடைசி நாள் 12-4-2009.
- > Refer New International Version Bible to answer in English.

- How is the inclination of the man's heart all the time? மனுஷனுடைய இருதயத்து நினைவுகளின் தோற்றமெல்லாம் நித்தமும் எப்படி இருக்கிறது?
- prayed and said: my heart rejoices in the Lord..... "என் இருதயம் கர்த்தருக்குள் களிகூருகிறது" என்று ஜெபம் பண்ணியது யார்?
- Who looks at the heart? யார் இருதயத்தைப் பார்க்கிறார்?
- What does the heart of David do at the night? இராக்காலங்களில் தாவீதின் உள்ளிந்திரியங்கள் என்ன செய்யும்?
- "My heart is steadfast, O God, My heart is steadfast".. Where do we read this? என் இருதயம் ஆயத்தமாயிருக்கிறது; தேவனே, என் இருதயம் ஆயத்தமாயிருக்கிறது. வசன இருப்பிடம் குறிப்பிடுக.
- Where is the heart of the wise? ஞானிகளின் இருதயம் எங்கு இருக்கும்?
- Which one is deceitful above all things and beyond cure? எல்லாவற்றைப் பார்க்கிலும் திருக்குள்ளதும் மகா கேடுள்ளதுமாயிருப்பது எது?
- What brings joy to the heart? எது இருதயத்தைப் பூரிப்பாக்கும்?
- Who will see God? யார் தேவனை தரிசிப்பார்கள்?
- Whose heart is like a watercourse in the hands of the Lord? யாருடைய இருதயம் கர்த்தரின் கரத்தில் நீர்கால்களைப் போலிருக்கிறது?

Bible Quiz March 2009 விடைகள்:

1. II Kings 3:22. சூரியன் தண்ணீரின் மேல் பிரகாசித்ததினால் because the sun shone upon the water	6. Zep.1:17 மனுஷர் கர்த்தருக்கு விரோதமாய்ப் பாவஞ்செய்தபடியால் because they have sinned against the LORD
2. Rev. 14:20 நகரத்திற்குப் புறம்பேயுள்ள ஆலையிலிருந்து ஆயிரத்தநூறு ஸ்தாதி தூரத்திற்கு. Out of the winepress by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.	7. Prov.6:17 குற்றமற்றவர்களுடைய innocent
3. Gen.4:9,10 காயீனின் சகோதரனாகிய ஆபேல் Cain's brother Abel	8. II Kings 9:30,33 யேசபேல் Jezebel
4. Rev.6:12 ஆட்டுக்குட்டியானவர் ஆறாம் முத்திரையை உடைத்தபோது when the Lamb had opened the sixth seal	9. Gen. 9:6 மனுஷன் தேவசாயலில் உண்டாக்கப்பட்டபடியால் for in the image of God he made man.
5. I Sam.25:32,33 தாவீது அபிகாயிலை நோக்கி David to Abigail	10. Rev.16:3 இரண்டாம் தூதன் தன் கலசத்திலுள்ளதைச் சமுத்திரத்திலே ஊற்றின உடனே when the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea

Winners of Bible Quiz March 2009

- Mrs. C. Angelin Charles
- Mrs. Shanthi Noble
- Mr. Thomas Rajan
- Mrs. Prema Samson
- Mrs. Geeta Daniel
- Miss Punita
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Congratulations!

