

# St. Peter's C.S.I Church Kuwait Newsletter JUNE 2025

# **MOTTO 2025**

"Speak, for your servant is listening"

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1 Sam 3:10

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# VICAR'S MESSAGE

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Glory be to the name of God. June is a month of great faith assessment: i. we recall Pentecost and Trinity Week in this month. ii. Every year, one week in June is set aside as Environment Week and we, as the whole church in the world consider environment as the most important entity. iii. Our parish is named after Saint Peter, and June 29 is celebrated as Saint Peter's Day. Therefore, June holds great significance.

#### 1. Fundamental Faith Movement

From the first century onwards, in the history of the Christian Church, the greatest challenge the Church has been facing is the crisis of atheism, which rejects and questions the faith. In the early centuries, due to the false teachings, church councils formulate summaries of faith based on the Bible to strengthen the Church in faith. There are two ideas that we will meditate on this month. First, Pentecost is the day when God sent the Holy Spirit to be with the Church constantly, which means the "fiftieth" day. After the resurrection of Jesus, God sent His Holy Spirit to the world as a steward to be with the Church forever, according to the promise. The second chapter of Acts of the Apostles records that God Himself sent the Spirit among the people who were waiting for the promise made by Jesus, preparing them for the divine mission and the kingdom of God. The power of the Holy Spirit is what we need in this era as well. Therefore, our lives become meaningful when we are empowered by the Holy Spirit every day and can lead the Christian faith in this world. The Holy Spirit is the one who makes us aware of sin, righteousness, and indement.

Another level of faith is the Trinity. The three persons of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are one in a single level called the Trinity - co-existent, co-functioning, and co-eternal. There is a part that we use in our declarations of faith that says "one in essence." This is the basis of faith. Love is the basic secret of the Trinity. The call for every believer, to advance in selfless love is the beginning of the Trinitarian faith.

### 2. The Experience Level of Faith

God sent man to the world not to exploit the environment but to protect the environment and live in harmony with it. God wants balance and integrity in everything in the universe. Therefore, we should not be the exploiters but are obligated to be the stewards. Environmental studies and thoughts should not be limited to one week; God has called us to be protectors of life connected to the environment in every moment of life. The Church assigns to lead a balanced life in the environment. Another area of our experience level is the study of the Bible and the life of worship. Bible study and worship are two pillars that can never be

separated in the journey of Christian faith. It is essential to advance in these basic faith experiences in life.

#### 3. Spiritual Advancement and Recognition of Faith

Our church is named after Saint Peter. June 29 is commemorated as Saint Peter's Day. Therefore, these days are good for understanding the life of Peter and his sacrifice for the growth of the Church. The basic understanding that arose in Peter is recorded in the sixteenth chapter of the Gospel of St. Matthew (Matt 16:13-19). Even when everyone was silent, Peter made a confession of faith about the divinity of Jesus: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God". This basic conviction should be the secret of our progress in the journey of faith. God used Peter, who declared faith, for the growth of a church in a great experience of spirituality. God used Peter to lead a different lifestyle that does not succumb to the gates of hell, to overcome evil, and to live for Jesus and work for the Lord. Therefore, we can reflect on Peter's journey and incorporate its lessons into our own lives.

Let us dedicate ourselves to living in this world for Christ, not as those who constantly deny Christ, but as those who return, correct, and realize the mistakes of life.

I pray that these meditations of this month will give great assurance and courage to our faith. May God help us all to have a correct understanding of the basic beliefs, and to remain in an unbreakable relationship with Jesus, like Peter and to make a leap of faith. Wishing everyone a blessed month.

With Prayers,

Rev. C.M. Eappen, Vicar

# REGULAR PROGRAMMES

Holy Communion Service	: Fridays / Saturdays, NECK
WF Prayer Meeting	: Mondays, 6.30 pm (Zoom)
Online Cottage Prayer Meeting*	: Every Thursdays at 7.30pm (Zoom)

<sup>\*</sup> Kindly note that the Cottage Prayer will be held Online on Thursdays during the month of June.

### SPECIAL DAYS

St. Peter's Day : 29th June

### **SPECIAL COVER COLLECTION**

As per the decision of the Annual General Body, convened on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2025, a Special Cover will be collected during the first week of every month, to meet the Church expenses.

# **BIRTHDAYS**

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1	Mrs. Betty Sabu Joseph	97432183	W/o	Mr. Sabu Joseph K.
	Mr. Vineeth Mathew John	65589031		·
	Sneha Liz Mathew	50517787	D/o	Mr. Zachariah Mathew
2	Mrs. Pushpa Nelson	99208710	W/o	Mr. Nelson Immanuel
3	Mr. Abraham Jini Jacob	66361309		
	Mrs. Gigge Jacob	97450197	W/o	Mr. Manoj Eappen
4	Mrs. Merlin Biju	97936139	W/o	Mr. Biju Tharian
	Roshan Thomas Varghese	97807765	S/o	Mr. Thomas K. Varghese
5	Mr. Mathew Dolly Cherian	50887797		
6	Mrs. Sunu John Mathew	66706803	W/o	Mr. Aji John Mathew
	Mrs. Jennifer Mary Thomas	66418635	W/o	Mr. Thomas Stephen
	Mrs. Jissu Acha Jim	97225066	W/o	Mr. Jim Cherian Jacob
	Aaron Abraham	99421192	S/o	Mr. John Abraham
	Jeron Cheiyan Linu	55759507	S/o	Mr. Linu John Cheriyan
7	Mr. Sanju Jacob	66123009		
	Mr. Sebin Varghese	65193472		
	Aaron Varghese Cherian	97225066	S/o	Mr. Jim Cherian Jacob
8	Mr. George Koshy	99176021		
	Megha Maria Akash	66910059	D/o	Mr. Akash John Thomas
	Carishma Elsa Jacob	99487195	D/o	Mr. Jacob Robinson
9	Ashlyna Amlu Satheesh	99436810	D/o	Mr. Satheesh M. P.
10	Mr. Vinod Kurien	66832848		
	Mrs. Rony Ajosh	66792899	W/o	Mr. Ajosh Mathew
	Jacob Mathew Ambat	99281296	S/o	Mr. Moby K. Mathew
11	Mr. Mohan Jacob Cherian	97659633		
12	Michelle Ann Thomas	99513617	D/o	Mr. Thomas Thottathil
	Sara Merlin Samuel	66019963	D/o	Dr. Rajesh Samuel
14	Mr. Shibu Simon	60059429		
	Naysa Elsa Pratheesh	66681745	D/o	Mr. Pratheesh Samuel John
	Nessa Elsa Pratheesh	00081743	<i>D</i> /0	Wil. Fracticesii Sainuei Joilii
15	Mr. Thomas John T.	97226906		
16	Mrs. Susan John	66251684	W/o	Mr. Mathew P. John
	Mrs. Jincy George	66145475	W/o	Mr. Biju Varghese K. John
17	Mr. Shino Philip	97520984		
	Sandria Saju Abraham	99509947	D/o	Mr. Saju E. Abraham
	Soel Sajan	66516081	S/o	Mr. Madhu R.
18	Mrs. Sherin Mathew	97200374	W/o	Mr. Mathew Thomas
	Mrs. Rilu Roy Koshy	69063435	W/o	Mr. Jiji Jacob Philip
19	Hannah Annie Max	99549152	D/o	Mr. Max Varghese
	Aaron Mathew Thomas	97917442	S/o	Mr. Ruben Thomas M.
	Josh Koshy Santhosh	99406247	S/o	Mr. Santhosh Mathew John
20	Anugraha Sara Rony	66068438	D/o	Mr. Rony C. George
	Joel Simon Shibu	66423919	S/o	Mr. Shibu Simon
21	Alan James Jose	55359010	S/o	Mr. Jose K. James

# **BIRTHDAYS (CONTD.)**

22	Mr. Rinosh Kurian Joseph	99805481		
	Nanma Ann Thomas	97226906	D/o	Mr. Thomas John T.
23	Mr. Robinson Jacob	99487195		
	Mrs. Sudha Susan Jacob	97227634	W/o	Mr. Santhosh Jacob
24	Mehul Mohan Cherian	66016138	S/o	Mr. Mohan Cherian
	Eben Reji Daniel	55369293	S/o	Mr. Rejimon Daniel
25	Dr. Thara Elizabeth Koshy	99160929	W/o	Dr. Koshy Varghese
27	Mr. Jijo Jacob Philip	69063435		_
	Reeve Geo	55236168	S/o	Mr. Renji George
	Megha Susan Jacob	60424676	D/o	Mrs. Betty Jacob
28	Mr. Bobby Varghese	90032294		_
	Mr. Jerin Rajees Koshy	92246363		
29	Mrs. Roshin Sony	66896751	W/o	Mr. Sony Thomas
	Daavid Charles Hermon	96047181	S/o	Mr. Charles joseph Hermon
30	Mrs. Prabha Samuel	24889876	W/o	Dr. Rajesh Samuel
	Abel Jacob Cherian	97225066	S/o	Mr. Jim Cherian Jacob
	Mikhael Rony Thomas	55444382	S/o	Mr. Rony Thomas

# **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

1	Mr. Sabu Joseph K. & Betty	97839489
	Mr. Rony C. George & Asha	66068438
	Mr. Binoy K. Thomas & Soniya	97121813
9	Mr. Santhosh Jacob & Sudha Susan	97390960
16	Mr. Prince T. Varghese & Simi	55298292
18	Mr. Joshy Abraham & Sheeja	66819270
20	Dr. Koshy Varghese & Dr. Thara	99160929
21	Mr. Jacob Thomas (Bibin) & Annu	97394739
	Mr. Zachariah Mathew (Santhosh) & Jeny	50517787
23	Mr. Saji Thomas Koshy & Sheeba	66762892
25	Mr. Mathew Chrisostom & Saly	99313089
	Mr. George Koshy & Pushpa	99176021
28	Mr. Justin Thomas Varghese & Sandhya	99629924

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

We congratulate all the 12<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> Board Exam students for their great achievement and wish them all the best for their future.

May God Almighty accomplish great things through our children.

### ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING

The Annual General Body meeting was held on 22nd May, 2025.

The following members were selected for respective posts:

### Members of Executive Committee for 2025-2027:

Mr. John Abraham (Shaji) Mr. Linu John Cheriyan Mr. Mathew M. Ninan Mr. Philip M. Philip (Prasad) Mr. Samuel John Mathew Mrs. Annie George

#### External Auditors for 2025-2026:

1. Mr. Satheesh M.P. 2. Mr. Johnson Varghese 3. Mr. Deepak Philip Thomas

The Executive Committee selected the following office bearers for the year '25-'26:

Secretary : Mr. Philji Oommen Jacob
Joint Secretary : Mr. Jibu Jacob Varghese
Treasurer : Mr. Thomas John T. (Savan)
Joint Treasurer : Mr. Samuel John Mathew
Internal Auditor : Philip M. Philip (Prasad)

Bethel Prayer Group Coordinator : Mr. Daniel Abraham and Mr. Philip T. Kattanam

Shalom Prayer Group Coordinator : Mr. Rejimon Daniel and Mrs. Saumya Thomas

Hebron Prayer Group Coordinator : Dr. Koshy Varghese (Moncy)

<u>Choir</u> Leader Associate Choir Leader

Mr. Jacob Kurien Mr. Ajith Babu

<u>Sunday School</u> Headmaster Associate Headmistress

Mr. Deepak Philip Thomas Mrs. Sherin Mathew

Women's Fellowship Secretary Joint Secretary

Dr. Teena Mani Mrs. Rony Ajosh

<u>Youth</u> Secretary Joint Secretary

Mr. Mathew Thomas (Tiju) Mrs. Carol Jacob

Ladies and Gents Group Leader

Mr. Anil Varghese

Harvest Festival Convener : Mr. Vinod Kurien

VBS Convener : Mr. Justin Thomas Varghese

May Almighty God bless the office bearers and respective leaders in their new responsibilities.

# **NUMBER QUIZ FROM THE BOOK OF ACTS**

No. of days Jesus appeared to his apostles after resurrection 2. No. of apostles present at the time one more apostle was elected 3. No. of believers present when Peter said that someone should replace Judas Iscariot 4. No. of people added to the group of believers after Peter's message 5. Age of the lame man who was healed at the Temple Gate 6. No. of men who believed when Peter preached in the temple after healing the lame man 7. No. of days Saul was blind after encountering Jesus 8. No. of years Aeneas had been bedridden 9 No. of men sent to bring Peter from Lydda 10. No. of men sent to Joppa to bring Peter to Cornelius 11. No. of times conversation between God and Peter occurred 12. Paul stayed in Corinth, teaching the word of God, for how long? 13. No. of disciples Paul baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus at Ephesus 14. Paul spoke boldly in the synagogue at Ephesus, for how long? 15. Paul held daily discussions in the hall of Tyrannus, for how long? 16. The books of magic that were burnt were worth how much? 17. Paul stayed in Greece, for how long? 18. No. of days Paul took to reach Troas from Philippi 19. No. of days Paul stayed at Troas 20. Eutychus fell from which story, when Paul was speaking (at Troas) 21. No. of days Paul stayed at Tyre 22. No. of unmarried daughters Philip had 23. No. of Jews bound themselves with an oath not to eat or drink till they had killed Paul 24. Paul remained with Governor Felix, for how long? 25. The day, since the beginning of the tempest, the sailors sensed they were near to some land 26. No. of days those on the troubled ship fasted since the tempest began 27. No. of people were on the troubled ship 28. Paul dwelt in his own rented house in Rome, for how long?

## **HOMELAND FELLOWSHIP**

God willing, our Homeland Fellowship 2025 will be held on 14<sup>th</sup> July.

We graciously remember your past year's whole- hearted support and kindly request your precious presence this year too.

Venue will be announced later.

# DIVINE SERVICE SCHEDULE — JUNE 2025

Date	Theme	Lesson I	Psalm	Lesson II	Gospel
06 Fri & 07 Sat	Come Holy Spirit Set Us Free പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവേ വന്നു ഞങ്ങളെ സ്വതന്ത്രരാക്കേണമേ	Isaiah 61:01-11	107: 31-43	Acts 02:01-13	Luke 04:16-21
	PENTECOST WEEK				
13 Fri & 14 Sat	TRINITY: COMMUNITY OF LOVE ത്രിത്വം: സ്നേഹ സമൂഹം TRINITY WEEK	Genesis 18:01-15	97	2 Corin. 13:05-14	Mark 01:01-11
	SELF-COMMITMENT FOR				
20 Fri & 21 Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> week after Pentecost	ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY പരിസ്ഥിതി സന്തുലനത്തിനായുള്ള	Job 12:07-10	104: 14-28	Rev 22:01-05	Matthew 06:25-34
	സ്വയ സമർപ്പണം <i>Environment Week</i>				
27 Fri & 28 Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> week after Pentecost	St. Peter: Apostle and Martyr അപ്പോസ്തലനും രക്തസാക്ഷിയുമായ വിശുദ്ധ പത്രോസ് St. Peter's Week	Jeremiah 16:16-21		2 Peter 03:14-18	Matthew 16:13-19