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From the Vicar's desk.....

In Christ's Love,

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, our cherished Bethel Family,

Grace and peace be with you all in the powerful name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

The month of June brings into focus significant aspects of our Church liturgy, a season where the seeds of hope are prayerfully sown, and the beautiful promise of spiritual growth fills the air.

1. The New Academic Year:

This month marks the commencement of a fresh academic year, a time brimming with potential and the eager pursuit of knowledge. To all our cherished students, dedicated parents, and devoted educators, and to every institution of learning within our community, I extend my heartfelt prayers. May this new chapter be richly imbued with wisdom that transcends the classroom, discipline that strengthens the soul, and the unwavering presence of our loving God guiding your every step.

2. Day of Pentecost (June 8) :

June also graces us with the profound observances of the Day of Pentecost, one of the pillars of our spiritual understanding. Pentecost, ablaze with the fiery descent of the Holy Spirit, reminds us of the divine empowerment bestowed upon the early Church, igniting within the disciples a fearless passion to proclaim the Good News. Today, we too are called to be Spirit-filled communities - alive with fervent worship, bound together by unwavering love, and actively engaged in Christ's mission of reconciliation and hope.

May the same Holy Spirit invigorate our lives and ministries, enabling us to be bold witnesses in a world yearning for truth and grace.

3. Trinity Sunday (June 15):

Following this powerful outpouring, Trinity Sunday invites us to contemplate the sublime mystery and majestic unity of our Triune God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It is an invitation to delve deeper into the relational heart of God, a perfect communion of love that serves as the very blueprint for

our own lives. As we reflect on this profound truth, may we be inspired to cultivate deeper communion within our families, our fellowships, and our wider neighbourhoods, mirroring the harmonious dance of the Trinity in our interactions and our unity.

4. De-addiction Day (June 22):

Furthermore, June calls us to observe De-addiction Day, a poignant reminder of our collective responsibility to embrace and uplift those entangled in the struggles of addiction. The Church, as the very embodiment of Christ's healing presence, must be a beacon of hope and restoration for all who are weary and burdened. Let us actively champion healthy lifestyles, extend compassionate pastoral care, and become instruments of God's grace in breaking the chains of despair. May our prayers and our actions create a sanctuary where healing and wholeness can flourish.

5. Discipleship

On June 29th, we are called to reflect on the theme of Discipleship. True discipleship of Jesus demands that we follow Him on the path of the Cross.

Disciples are those who are called to be with Jesus in the service of the Kingdom of God and to walk with Him on that journey. To embrace the lifestyle of the Cross means to be followers who continue the mission of Christ — in everything, at all times, and in all places. This is what is expected of every Christian who has accepted the call to discipleship.

6. Best Wishes to the New Leadership and Programs of our Spiritual Organization

It warms my heart to see our Area Prayer Groups and Spiritual Organizations brimming with enthusiasm as they embark on a new year of activities. I extend my warmest wishes and heartfelt prayers that the incoming leadership of the Parish and each organization may be abundantly blessed with divine grace. May their guidance be illuminated by wisdom and their efforts be crowned with success, leading to even more impactful programs that touch and uplift countless lives. I request all our dear parishioners to actively participate in our programs, especially the Area Prayer Meetings.

Together, may we experience the abundant grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, be surrounded by the boundless love of God our Father, and be united in the intimate fellowship of the Holy Spirit, now and forevermore.

In His abiding service,

James Achan

WORSHIP TIMINGS	YUVAJANA SAKHYAM
At 8 am – Malayalam Service on all Sundays At 12 pm – English Service on all Sundays At 8 am – 3rd Sunday only English Service (Common)	Every Sunday at Church after Holy Communion Service
YOUNG FAMILY FELLOWSHIP (YFF) Every Sunday after service - Parent Network Meeting in the Church Premise.	SUNDAY SCHOOL All Sundays after Holy Communion Service
SEVIKA SANGHAM	EDAVAKA MISSION
Fasting Prayer/ Bible Study on Fridays at 10.30 via Zoom Platform.	Bible Study on Fridays at 7.00 pm via Zoom Platform.

• **Worship Arrangements on Sundays, Special Offertory & Bible Portion**

DATE	P R A Y E R G R O U P / ORGANISATION RESPONSIBLE	REMARKS	THEME/ SPECIAL OFFERTORY /BIBLE PORTION
1 June	Udaya Nagar English Worship Team	Malayalam - 8 AM English Holy Communion - 12 PM	Beginning of the school year – Education: Grow in the grace of God and humans. Lesson 1: 1Kgs 4:25-34/ Lesson 2: Jas 1:1-8 Epistle: Rom 11:33-36/ Gospel: Luke 2:40-52
8 June	Choir English Worship Team	Malayalam - 8 AM English - 12 PM	Holy Spirit, Renew us – Day of Pentecost (50th Day after Easter); Environment Sunday; Offertory for the Medical Aid Fund of clergy. Lesson 1: Joel 2:28-32/ Lesson 2: Acts 2:1-21 Epistle: Gal 5:16-26/Gospel: John 16:7-13
15 June	Yuvajana Sakhyam/ YFF/ Sunday School	English - 8 AM	Trinity Sunday – Trinity: Fellowship of love (First Sunday after Pentecost) Lesson 1: Deut 6:1-12/ Lesson 2: 2Cor 13:1-14 Epistle: Rom 8:26-30/ Gospel: John 10:22-30
22 June	C V Raman Nagar English Worship Team	Malayalam - 8 AM English - 12 PM	De-Addiction Day: Body and life that need to be kept in purity (Second Sunday after Pentecost) Lesson 1: Prov 20:1-13/ Lesson 2: 1Thess 4:3-8 Epistle: 1Cor 6:9-11/ Gospel: Luke 6:39-45
29 June	Ordinary Service (Hoskote Anniversary)	Malayalam – 8 AM	Discipleship: With Jesus, on the path of the cross; Day of Apostles St. Paul and St. Peter; Conclusion of Apostles' Lent (Third Sunday after Pentecost) Lesson 1: Josh 1:1-9/ Lesson 2: Gal 2:1-10 Epistle: 2Pet 3:14-18/ Gospel: Matt 20:25-28

- **Area Prayer, June – 2025**

DATE	DAY	AREA	TIME	NAME Mr./Mrs.	CONTACT #
1 June	Sunday	RM Nagar A	6:00 PM	Mrs. Jessy George	
8 June	Sunday	Udaya Nagar Mahadevapur a	4:00 PM 6:00 PM	Mrs. Mary Jacob Mr. Biju K Thomas	
15 June	Sunday	C V Raman Nagar RM Nagar A	4:00 PM 6:30 PM	Mr. Rojan Varghese Mr. John C Varghese	
22 June	Sunday	RM Nagar B	6:00 PM	Mr. Oomen Varghese	
29 June	Sunday	No Prayer			

- **Events of the Month:**

DATE	DAY	EVENT
1 June	Sunday	Students Dedication – New Academic year beginning
8 June	Sunday	Dedication of Executive Committee Members & Dedication of Choir Members
25 June	Wednesday	Special Prayer at the residence of Late M A Varghese at 6.30 pm
29 June	Sunday	Anniversary of Hoskote Mission and Medical Centre

May Almighty God Bless Us All.

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- **NOTE – BIRTHDAY, WEDDING & SPECIAL THANKS OFFERTORY COVERS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE BOX WHICH IS PLACED IN THE NORTHWEST SIDE OF THE CHURCH.**
- **You can give your Offertory, Tithe, Subscription, Harvest Festival Donations and Generous – Gifts, Promises of Renovation Project online directly to The Federal Bank with intimation to Trustees.**

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