VIVA Teresa

## Bible Quiz

1. How should we resist the devil?
2. How do the prophecies of scripture take place according to Peter?
3. How should we live as free people?
4. How should we greet others according to Peter?
5. Who exalted himself as the king when David was ill?
6. Who was the prophet who pleaded for Solomon in front of David?
7. How many songs and proverbs were composed by Solomon?
8. Whose daughter was Jezebel?
9. Where did Elijah askAhab to assemble the priests of Baal and Astarte along with the people of Israel ?
10. Why was Shimei killed?

CAPTION CONTEST


## REMEMBER!

Write your answer for the Bible Quiz, Funny Question and Caption contest in a separate sheet of paper with clarity and drop it in Viva Teresa Box on or before Mar. 31. Winners will be awarded. In case, there are more winners, it will be decided by lot. Don't forget to write your name phone number and the name of your family unit on your answer sheet.
For Bible Quiz use only NRSV Bible.


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## Fidtarial

Heartiest Congratulations to all of you for your support and contribution towards making our VIVA Teresa Bulletin Sifver Jubilee Edition a grand success．Our special thanks to our Vicar Fr．Biju Kollamkunnel，Ex Asst．Vicar Fr．Soji Pezfathinkal，Rev．Sisters， Trustees，Committee Members andall the contributors witf write－ups and advertisements．This endeavour helped to make our Sifver Jubifee Celebrationa remarkable one．
A Psychology Professor was invited to the home of a student．While chatting with the family members after dinner，the student＇s little sister bubbling with excitement，ran up to the Professor and asked fiim to examine the school assignment she fiad earlier completed．He took a quick look at the sheet and noticed that not a word on it was spelt correctly．However，fre turned to the child and said in an encouraging tone：＂This is beautiful．The margins are nice and neat ；your frandwriting is so clean and readable．＂

Thank you，uncle，broke out the girl beamingly．＂I fave been working really fuard on it．Next time I＇m going to work on my spellings．＂

I came across this short story and felt it is very relevant in this season of Lent to examine ourselves and make necessary corrections in our attitude and actions towards oursefves and to the people around us．

Let＇s prepare oursefves for a special Easter experience through Fasting，Almsgiving，Annual Retreat，Way of the Cross and Prayers．

## Wisfyoualla Happy Easter

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## LeTTER TO MY LITTLE FRIENDS

## Dear friends,

I am so bappy that we will bewallking together on this Lenten journey. The fifty days is a special time of grace for Christians to pay more attention to our spiritual life and our journey to God.

During these fifty days we are to do two things: first, to draw closer to the Word of God each day, especially the Gospel; and to pray the Living word of God. Scripture is the real source book for Lenten prayer. When we read the scripture, read the word slowly and pause at any words, phrases, or images that touch you. Speak to the Lord about them. Rest in the peace of the Lord as you feel touched by bis presence. When we read the scripture we will be allowing the Lord to gently touch our bearts. We will be in the process of conversion which is what Lent is all about. We will be preparing to renew our life with the Lord at the beautiful moment of the renewal of the baptismal promises at Easter Qurbana. Lent is a wonderful opportunity to begin all over again. The ashes on Ash Monday remind us of our death, it is true, but they do that only to assure us of the new life. Lent and Good Friday only bave meaning because Jesus is risen from the dead. Our Lenten observance will belp us to enter again into the mystery of Jesus - His death and resurrection - and ours.

Together we will journey from the ashes of Ash Monday to the flames of the new paschal fire. We will journey with Jesus as He leads us through the Paschal Mystery of His death andresurrection. Let us pray for one another as we walk together with Jesus to the new life He promises us.

Yours Johnachan

## Saint Stanislaus Costca

Saint Stanislaus Costca was the son of a famous senator in Poland. His mother was a very pious lady. When the saint was conceived the word "Jesus" appeared on her abdomen. This mother understood that her son was destined to join the Society of Jesus one day. Stanislaus went to Vienna at the age of 14 to continue his education. He was accompanied by his elder brother Paul and a tutor. They were enrolled at
 the Jesuit College in Vienna. Stanislaus was a serious and quiet person. He avoided all unnecessary contacts with visitors, applied himself to studies and spent so much time to pray. Away from home in a new city, Paul and the tutor immersed themselves in a life of indulgence. Stanislaus life was very difficult because he did not join them in their way of life. In the midst of all these Stanislaus would pray even more fervently. Mentally and physically weak Stanislaus fell ill. Stanislaus thought that he was going to die. He wanted to confess before he died. But there was nobody to help him do this. Stanislaus prayed to St. Barbara that he needs to receive communion, and soon Barbara and two angels appeared to him in his room, bringing him communion. They left, and then Our Lady carrying the baby appeared and asked him to join the Society of Jesus. Stanislaus regained his health. He informed his family that he wished to join the Society of Jesus. His father opposed his idea. Stanislaus was very upset, he spent the whole night praying to God to get His will revealed. Finally he decided that God's will be done. In November 1567 he began to prepare for priesthood. As a member of the Society of Jesus, his humility made him very well liked. In spite of his weak health he fasted and did penance. Ten months later in August he fell ill. Being a great devotee of Mary he desired to die on August 15th, the feast of the Assumption. On August 15 th, as the rector home began the Mass, Stanislaus' soul left for heavenly abode. 'I was not born for a temporary existence but for eternal life'-Stanislaus.

Stanislaus was canonized in 1726, his feast is celebrated on November 13th Stanislaus Costca is the intercessory saint for the youth.


## Letting the inside match the outside

Is everyone a hypocrite?
"Your father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you" Mathew 6:4.

Almost all of us live two lives, what people see outside and what is really going on inside. In school we learn what outward signs of attention will please the teacher. At a job we learn to "put up a good front", whenever the boss happens to stroll by or just for praises by colleagues or by others etc. As if donning masks, over time we learn to excel at hiding truly serious problems.

People tend to judge by outward appearances and so can easily be fooled.

Mathew chapters 5-7 announce that the time has come or us to change not just the outside, but the inside.

In his famous sermon on the Mount, Jesus blasts the such seemingly harmless practices. God is not fooled by appearances. We cannot fake behaviour to impress Him. He knows that inside the best of us dark thoughts of hatred and pride are there and internal problems only He can deal with.

Jesus goes on to present a truly radical way of life, free of pretense.

The sermon on the mount introduces the possibility of living solely for God and not for appearances.

At last we can bring our inner and outer lives together.
Mathew Chapter 5-7 gives the real insight.

Life Questions :
Do other people see what you're really like inside?
How do your friends try to impress each other?

By: Feby Binu
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## Anecdotes of the Great

A parish priest, once went to the Canterberry Archbishop and complained to him.
"Bishop, in my parish people come every night and they sing loudly and dance. I feet it is against our tradition.

I repeatedly advised them to stop it. However they were not listening.

Sol request you to order them to stop it.
Dear Father, the Bishop said; it is true that we Priests should not dance and sing so loudly.

But what is wrong when our people, after a hard day's work come to the church and forget their sufferings and sorrows by dancing and singing?

So not to stop them was the Bishop's decision.
A New York bound train started from New Jersey. A woman hurriedly jumped into the compartment. She sat on a corner seat.

No body was in the compartment except a man. The next moment the man who was sitting opposite the woman took a cigarette from his pocket. The lady looked at the man and said "smoking is prohibited inside the train".

The man did not say anything and looked outside.
After some time again the man tried to lit his cigarette.
This time the woman became very angry and shouted at the man. He did not say anything. At the next station the ticket checker came to the compartment.

He told the woman that, she was sitting in the wrong compartment.
He said that the compartment was reserved for American Army Chief and the man who was sitting against her was Mr. Washington, at the American Army Chief.

Afterwards the woman bowed her head down and without looking at the Chief she got down at the next station.

When she got down he gently smiled looking at her way.
John Antony

## What an Irony

A COCKROACH is afraid of RAT,<br>RAT is afraid of CAT<br>CAT is afraid of DOG<br>DOG is afraid of MAN<br>MAN is afraid of WOMAN, and<br>WOMAN is afraid of COCKROACH !!!<br>\section*{"THOUEHT5"}

No matter how many times the
Teeth bite the tongue, they
Still stand strong together in one
Mouth - That's the spirit of
Forgiveness !!!

The tongue has no bone
But is strong enough
To break a Heart, so be very
Careful with your words !!!
By: Thomas Pallipadan
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## The Size of Heart

## It isn't the size of our house

That matters so much
It's the gentle hand and its loving touch
That makes it great or small
The friends who come and go,
Will judge us not by the style we show,
But rather by the size of our heart
It is not the materialistic things
And it is not the wealth we have
What will make us happy is how we touch
The other lives all around.
For making money is not so hard,
But to live well is an art.
How people love us and how they regard Is all in the size of our heart

- Mrs. Rosily Johnson


## M-O-T-H-E-R

$M$ - is for the million things she gave me
O-means only that she's growing old
T - is for the tears she shed for me
H - is for her heart of purest gold.
$E$ - is for her eyes, with love - light shining
R-means right and right she'll always be

Put all together, they spell "MOTHER"
A word that means the world to me.
By : Nancy Felix
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## JESUS MY BEST PRIEND

Having trust in the Almighty,<br>By working hard and proving my efficiency,<br>There is nothing which is impossible<br>Forme...<br>I know His love and providence<br>Has always been my help<br>In all my endeavours<br>Its not me, nor my parents, nor my guides<br>Its He who proves me the best !!!!<br>I know I disturb Him a lot<br>"Eeshoye, Eeshoye" I cry out a lot<br>'Coz this has been taught by my mom<br>Ask and the blessings will be given to you<br>I have seen my God's love<br>Each and every day of my life<br>But we always forget to thank Him and talk to Him<br>But He my provider, my saviour and my love<br>Always carries me in His arms<br>Saying dear, I love you<br>I also want to assure you Lord<br>Itoolove you a lot<br>$\qquad$ muaahhh........

St. George Unit


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## Simple v/s Real Friend

- Simple Friend has never seen you cry. A real friend has shoulders soggy from your tears.
- A simple friend doesn't know your parent's name. A real friend has your phone numbers in his address book.
- A Simple friend brings a bottle of wine to your party

A Real friend comes early to help you cook and clean.

- A simple friend hates when you call after he has gone to bed. A real friend asks you why you took so long to call
- A simple friend seeks to talk with you about his problems. A real friend seeks to help with your problem.


## Winner v/s Looser

Winner : Always has a program.
Looser : Always has an excuse.

Winner : Says, 'Let me do it for you'
Looser : Says, 'That's not my job'.

Winner : Sees an answer for every problem.
Looser : Sees problems for every answer.

Winner : Says "It may be difficult, but it is possible".
Looser : Says "It may be possible, but it is too difficult"
So be a winner !!!
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## JIST ПEED A CHAПCE

I was the only one, sitting in a corner Rejected by everyone
Alone, thinking what my future holds
'Cause l lost a chance given to me,
And thought I would never get it back.
Every day was the same story,
Lonely in a corner, rejected by everyone,
My life was becoming worse day by day
Thought better not to live
Decided to give up on myself.
But when I knew a chance was always there,
Everything changed and my life started.
For new beginning,
Remembering the days which I passed through,
Was not less than a visit to hell.
But I know I am mistaken,
Now I always say to myself
A chance is always there !
Done by : Rita Girish
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STRENGTH grows when we DARE!!
UNITY grows when we CHEER!!
AFFECTION grows when we SHARE!!
RELATION grows when we CARE!!

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## An Ideal Student

The very word : "Student" denotes a person fond of studies. But "studies" do not mean just bookish knowledge, but a real knowledge of men, society, nature, mind etc. Such varied knowledge can be obtained only by a person of strong mind and will, good heart and sound health. So, the very connotation of being an ideal student is very studious. Failures do not depress him, nor do success goes into his head. He has a balanced mind \& personality. So, my dear friends, if you are a student, it is your duty to prove it. It is you who needs a bright future. When people ask you, "What do you want to be when you grow up". Your answer should be "Now I am a student and hence I want to be a Good student.

## Jokes

$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\text { Teacher }: & \text { What helps a bird to fly? } \\ \text { Student }: & \text { Air helps a bird to fly } \\ \text { Teacher }: & \text { Name five animals which gives milk ? } \\ \text { Student }: & \text { Five cows. } \\ \text { Teacher }: & \text { If I take potato and divide it into two equal parts } \\ & \\ & \text { and divide it again into equal parts, what would }\end{array}\right\}$

## THaply <br> Birthday MSather

Dressed in blue and white
With a crown absolutely right.
Without original sin,
delivered a son
That is She -
Ever Virgin Mother Mary
Every mother bow down cry and pray,
they are blessed every day.
I sinned against the Lord,
couldn't concieve was a block
Started mother's Novena prayer, While I recited my cries were heard

Started Novena in September, As everybody said "Its Miracle Time "!

Eight days of fasting and prayer feels like on top of the world with our Mother.

On the eighth day, it's celebration around her elaborated decoration

So beautiful, adorable and pius
With no words to explain.
A real angel holy and pure. dressed in blue and white that cure.

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## MY JOURNEY

## Looking behind

I saw many things that kept me alive,
Like the trees which gave me shade,
And the wells that gave the elixir of life.
Looking behind
I saw many things I overcame
Like the jaws that tore me off,
And the thorns that blocked my way

No matter what all awaits me ahead
And what all fences I have to cross
I will walk towards my aim
Till the last breath of my life

## Daughters

It's been said, on the first day of their marriage, wife and husband decided and agreed not to open the door for anyone!

On that day first, husband's parents came to see them, they were behind the door. Husband and the wife looked at each other, husband wanted to open the door, but since they had an agreement he did not open the door, so his parents left.

After a while the same day, wife's parents came. Wife and the husband looked at each other and even though they had an agreement , wife with tears on her eyes whispered, I can't do this to my parents, and she opened the door.

Husband did not say anything, years passed and they had 4 boys and the fifth child was a girl.

The father, planned a very big party for the new born baby girl, and he invited everyone over.

Later that night his wife asked him what was the reason for such a big celebration for this baby while we did not do it for the others!

The Husband simply replied, because she is the only one who will open the door for me!

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| Son | Dad, I want to do something big and clean |
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| Dad | Gowash an Elephant |
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| Daughter | Mom may I go out and play? |
| Mom | You mean with those new jeans |
| Daughter | No, with Jenny next door. |

Teacher : The fleas we find on common pets are small and dark - coloured.
Student : Oh ! I always thought that they were white.
Teacher : Where did you get the idea from ?
Student : From the poem, "Mary had a little lamb with fleece as white as snow"

Son : Mama, give me some money. I want to buy some sweets.

Mom : Shut up, you silly boy. I don't have any money.
Son : If you won't give me the money, I will tell the ticket examiner my exact age.

Science Teacher : I have just told you that fire flies glow in dark. Any questions.
Student: Sir, where do they get their batteries from?

| Rohit | Why did you fix a bulb on your father's name plate. |
| :---: | :---: |
| Sojit | : To brighten up his name in society. |
| Ritesh | My dad has George Washingtone's watch. |
| Sumesh | That's nothing. My dad has Adam's apple. |
| Mohan | Did you like the parrot I sent you? |
| Sohan | Yes. It was very delicious. |
| Mohan | : Very delicious ? What do you mean ? You ate it up ! I paid Rs. 600 for it, spoke in 6 different languages |
| Sohan | : Then why did it not speak when I put it in the oven? |
|  | * * * |
| Rajan | I feel sick as a dog |
| Mohan | : Don't worry, I will call the vet. |
| Richard | It is very hot. I hate summer. |
| Johnson | : I don't agree with you. Do you know in some places water change into ice? |
| Richard | : Where? |
| Johnson | In the Fridge. |

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## GARDEN IS DIVINE

"....Then the lord God planted a garden in Eden in the East, and there he put the man he had formed. He made all kinds of beautiful trees grow there...." (Gen 2: 8-9).

God is the first and ever creative designer of a beautiful garden. Paradise was a very intelligent creation of the divine mind. Dante writes in his Divine comedy, "It was spring time in paradise, plants bearing shoots, fruits and flowers. On those evenings, in the light of setting Sun, God and man would walk in the garden holding their hands...." God wished and willed man to be in the shades of this heavenly garden. The sight of shining flowers and plants made Adams heart rejoice.

Garden arranged with variety of beautiful plants and fragrant flowers in the expressions of the love of God. It unveils the innocence of the love of God. It unveils the innocence of the created world. Looking at these colorful and smiling flowers, anyone can turn to be happy. These blossomed flowers on earth correspond to the stars in the heavens. God decorates the whole nature with his love. Even in the little flowers we see his grace. In Hindu belief flowers are having a prominent part in pleasing God.

Nurturing plants and caring for the earth is a way of worshipping God and is truly a way of worthy life. Members of great monasteries and religious people made gardens in the compound. Because this brings joy to the hearts of many. A warm exchange of a flower may definitely strengthen the bond between people. That is a mark of love and friendship.

Gardening is a God given gift. Since nature manifests the unending love and care of the Divine this really becomes a spiritual concern. Nourishing a garden is a humble honour for the loving creator. We have to beautify ourself spiritually as garden is being watered by the love of God. For God says "...you shall be like a watered garden.....like a spring of water...." (Is $58: 11$ ).

In the words of Jesus, "....not even King Solomon with all his wealth had clothes as beautiful as one of these flowers..." (Lk 12:17). I feel that this loveliness of flowers inspired saints and one among them wished to be called herself as Little Flower. For the Garden and Flower are divine.

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## FAMOUS PROVERBS

1. Alittle bird is content with a little nest
2. It is easier to fall than it is to rise.
3. He that falls today may rise tomorrow
4. Agood beginning makes a good ending
5. God comes to see without ringing the bell.
6. Men fear death as children fear to go in the dark
7. Fear nothing but sin
8. Whom the God loves die young
9. If God is with us, who can be against us ?
10. The golden age that never was the present age.
11. Those who live in glass houses should not throw stones at others.
12. Half done is worse than not done.
13. One hand will not wash the other for nothing
14. Hear much, speak little.
15. heaven is high but here.
16. Hell is wherever heaven is not.
17. Many hands make work light.

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## My Experience at Residential Camp

Recently, I had gone for a residential camp at the ARC, Panvel. There were five of us from our parish. The night before we left, I was so excited that I was jumping up and down on my bed. We took a day off from the school.

We reached Panvel at around 10 am and had some snacks. We had group interactions and many interesting games. After that lunch was provided at around $1 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$ and then we were shown our dormitory which was simple and cute. We friends had a great time and all of us were in good mood. After a while we were again called for further sessions, followed by HOLY MASS and ADORATION. Evening session was more fun. There was a song performance by the KEY band, which we enjoyed to the hilt. Then we had dinner which was quite delicious. After that all of us gathered around a Camp Fire and did a tribal dance. Next game was antakshari, boys vs girls, with romantic songs being the theme. The girls won the game with a little support from the leader. At 11 pm we retired to our respective dormitories. Although we were tired and wanted to sleep, on hitting the bed our plans changed and we were talking, chatting and giggling till around 5.15 am . When we finally fell into a deep exhausted sleep. However we got up early had a bath and got ready for the days programme. We had a Yoga Session conducted in a small open area full of flesh green grass with the morning dew over it. This was followed by Holy Mass which nourised our hearts and souls and then had breakfast.

A class about "Personality Development' by our catechism teacher helped us a lot. Then we played games. After a while we had lunch and it was time for us to say Good bye although none of us a wanted to go back home. The camp helped us a lot in creating awareness about the hunger pangs throughout the world and helping the poor. It helped us in understanding the meaning of Holy Qurbana and why and how we should pray. We also learnt to do things independently.

The best thing was that I was able to understand the true nature of all my friends and was able to love them more than myself. Even though we had fights, it is the nice moments that we cherish. It is true that people do not always turn out to be exactly the way we think about them or picturise them to be until the day we stay with them or be with them for a day. I can't wait till the next camp arrives.

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Why do they see apparitions... this time in the Eucharist in our church

The perfect food for this life and beyond

## By Sheena George

It was a chilly Wednesday evening two months ago. Little Flower Church, Nerul, was humming with activity. The occasion was the weekly Eucharistic adoration led by our parish priest. When the service reached its crescendo, Vivek (name changed), a non-Christian, who comes to the church frequently, saw something unusual on the monstrance, the vessel in which the consecrated Host is exposed for the Eucharistic adoration. Vivek couldn't believe his eyes.

He saw the image of a lady and child in the Eucharist displayed in the monstrance. The Benediction service was going at that time with the priest blessing the people with the monstrance.

A flabbergasted Vivek, who uses a walker after a recent accident, kep on looking at the apparition. He asked himself: who are this lady and child? He rubbed his eyes in disbelief. He looked at others. The amazing thing is that nobody else seemed to have seen anything unusual.

After the service, he asked the priest about what he had seen. The priest, pleasantly surprised, explained to him. We all know that, withou doubt, it was Mother Mary and child Jesus he saw in the Eucharist, the real body of Jesus Christ. But the question is: why other Christian faithfu assembled in the church could not see this apparition? Why only a non Christian like Vivek saw this image ? Is it our lack of faith or our take it for granted attitude? It's a fact that most of the faithful are indifferent to the fact that Jesus is present in the Eucharist

A few years ago I was fortunate to visit the Catacombs in Rome, Italy. The Catacombs are ancient underground burial places originated abou the middle of the second century by early Christians. They were also used for regular worship, memorial services and celebrations of the anniversaries of Christian martyrs and Popes buried there. One of the wal paintings there, showed the agape scene (love feast) with only seven
people. I asked the priest, the official tour guide of the site, why only seven people were shown? He said, "it shows they are having a perfect food." As we know in the Bible, number '7' symbolizes completeness or perfection. Yes the Eucharist is the perfect food. About the Eucharist, the real Body of Christ, Pope Francis in his apostolic exhortation had said although it is the fullness of sacramental life, is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak.

When the priest celebrates the Holy Mass, the bread and wine become Christ's Body and Blood (Transubstantiation) after the priest says the Christ's words and with invocation of the Holy Spirit. It is not man that causes the things offered to become the body and blood of Jesus or by the righteousness of either the celebrant or the recipient, but by the power of God, says the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC).

In the old testament we see God provided Manna, the food from heaven for their journey through the desert. About this John 6:48-50 in Bible says, Jesus said "I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, yet they died. But here is the bread that comes down from heaven, which anyone may eat and not die."

The growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage until the moment of death, it says.

We can never thank the Lord enough for the gift of the Eucharist. "That is why it is so important to go to Mass on Sundays, to go to Mass, not only to pray, but to receive Communion, the bread which is the Body of Jesus Christ, that saves us, forgives us, and unites us with the Father," Pope Francis said.

The Lord addresses an invitation to us, urging us to receive Him in the sacrament of the Eucharist: "Truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood, you have no life in you." To respond to this invitation we must prepare ourselves for so great and so holy a moment.

The first announcement of the Eucharist divided the disciples, just as the announcement of the Passion scandalized them. "Will you also go away?" the Lord's question echoes through the ages, as a loving invitation to discover that to receive in faith the gift of his Eucharist is to receive the Lord himself.

## How to Face Exams with a smile

Adv. V.A. Mathew (Adjuvo India Service)

## How to Face Exams with a smile

Taking into consideration the Exam fever that the season of February March gets with it, this article helps to find some learning tips for children. Remember exams are only a small part of life but often they are blown out of proportion due to different aspects like over expectation, external forces and parental pressure.

Some handy tips for students

## PLANNING

"Let our advance worrying become advance thinking and planning."

- Winston Churchill

There are also numerous psychological benefits of planning. You don't panic and wake up in the middle of the night with the dreaded exam fear. You know what you have studied and what you need to study and, importantly, you know when you need to study.

## SMART

1. Specific: A specific goal has a much greater chance of being accomplished than a general goal. To set a specific goal you must answer the six "W" questions: *Who: Who is involved? *What: What do I want to accomplish? *Where: Identify a location. Here an apt location where you get high concentration during studies *When: Establish a time frame. When to study the most difficult subjects and in that the most important chapters etc. *Which: Identify requirements and constraints. What are the issues that stopping you from attaining the goal you have set in. Which are barriers like internet, face book or mobile games that put a hurdle on your way to complete your study target for the day? *Why: Specific reasons, purpose or benefits of accomplishing the goal. These even tell you why you need to study and perform well in your academics.
2. Measurable - Establish concrete criteria for measuring progress toward the attainment of each goal you set. When you measure your progress, you stay on track, reach your target dates, and experience the exhilaration of achievement that spurs you on to continued effort required to reach your goal.
3. Attainable - When you identify goals that are most important to you, you begin to figure out ways you can make them come true. You develop the attitudes, abilities, skills, and effort to reach that capacity. You begin seeing previously overlooked opportunities to bring yourself closer to the achievement of your goals.
4. Realistic : To be realistic, a goal must represent an objective toward which you are both willing and able to work. A goal can be both high and realistic; you are the only one who can decide just how high your goal should be. But be sure that every goal represents substantial progress.
5. Timely: A goal should be grounded within a time frame. With no time frame tied to it there's no sense of urgency. T can also stand for Tangible A goal is tangible when you can experience it with one of the senses, that is, taste, touch, smell, sight or hearing

When your goal is tangible you have a better chance of making it specific and measurable and thus attainable.

## TIME MANAGEMENT

For a student who is about to face exams it is not about studying 24/7 but rather investing smartly your little available time

Prioritizing is an important thing in time management. Since everybody is gifted with 24 hours time just find out your importance for each activities during the study leave period.

Use the following matrix to put your ACTIVITIES according to its importance and urgency.

For example if you have tasks like meeting a deadline for your project ,studying for your finals, shopping for your cousins wedding coming this weekend, watching your favorite movie, updating your profile on fb.. etc. etc.

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## CONSISTENCY

Practice and consistency is a key to success. Here you have to follow a consistent study pattern instead of a mood based study and never follow a path of procrastination or shifting a day's task for another day.

## TAKE BREAKS (AND REWARDS!)

Because so many people view studying as a boring or a forced task, it's human nature to avoid it. If, however, you find rewards to help reinforce what you're doing, you may be pleasantly surprised by the change you may find in your attitude over the time.

Studying for 4 hours at a time with no breaks is not realistic or fun for most people. Studying for 1 hour, and then taking a 5 minute break and grabbing a snack is usually more sustainable and enjoyable.

Calm your mind and control your sense. The outside objects are infinite in number, if we let our five senses to pull our attention, then the
mind is constantly restless. So calm your mind and concentrate on your studies then you will have the reward waiting for you in the form of better results.

Be thankful to God for troubles: Gratitude can turn a negative into a positive. Be thankful to your God for giving you a chance to study in the particular school be thankful for all the troubles you faced during the academic year and then such troubles will turn into your blessings for future.

Attach a meaning to your studies: It is not the parental pressure but your vision of your future that would drive you to the study table. Your education can become a personal choice for the betterment of your life.

Create a plan about your study: make a time table for a month, week and a day. Such daily planners will work as a reminder for your brain to follow. Take a few minutes at the end of the day and plan what you have to do for the next day. At the end of each day, take a stock of what you have completed and what is left unfinished.

Build a routine: Once you know your study schedule and effective time utilized on study then plan it accordingly to make it a routine. Such routine will help you to be more organized and better relaxed and thereby make you more productive in your studies.

Find out a comfortable study environment: select a place with less distraction and more comfortable for you to concentrate. Here you can even select your healthy postures and preferred chair or places like an inside balcony. For some students they can sit and read in one spot for hours but for some other children they change their study locations quite frequently.

Sleep, Healthy Diet and Exercise: To perform well in exams you need to be healthy depriving of any of the above will lead you to trouble in facing your exams. Have healthy food, proper sleep and even a little walk or some such exercise will keep you in good body and mental health.

Avoid multi-tasking: choose a subject instead of all at a time concentrate on what you are studying, there must be other people in and around you involved in multi activities but don't try to help them to solve their issues.

Connect with good support System: When you are less motivated or little put down talk to your friends who can motivate you and guide you a better frame of mind. Find a time for prayer. Meditation, or a Holy Mass and refresh your mind with positive energy.

Talk Positively to yourself : All that matters is your attitude to your studies. Reassure yourself that you are going to have focused and concentrated study time. Belief in yourself that you are smart and talented
and many of the subjects are of your close interest and you can get better results with little more concentration.

Read and understand the question: When you have the question paper please read it properly and then attempt it with proper answers.

Package your final product: When you write your answer make it more attractive by putting right question number, with neat and legible handwriting, proper underlining of subtitles and neat draw of diagrams and other such graphs. Make sure you have tied up your answer sheet in proper order and numbered them accordingly.
ADJUVO INDIA COUNSELLING CENTER WISHES YOU ALL THE BEST FOR EXAMS

## Little Flower Cfurcfi Congratulates "Best Teacfier"

It is indeed a matter of pride and honour to highlight the sterling qualities of a dedicated and committed teacher, Mrs. Mercy Sebastian before all. Her utmost sincerity and devotion in the teaching of science to the secondary school children has earned her an excellent innovative science teacher award. This award is instituted under the scheme, "Building Educators for Science Teaching (Best)" by the Department of
 Science and Technology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India, in collaboration with Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Ministry of HRD, Government of India.

This great accolade was bestowed on her on the occasion of the centenary celebrations of Sir C.V. Raman and the golden jubilee celebrations of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

Mrs. Mercy is currently working in Kendriya Vidyalaya, Mankhurd. She aspires to remain inquisitive and curious in life so as to keep the flag of teaching profession flying high.

Congratulations to Mrs. Mercy Sebastian.

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## INDARI APPAM AND PESAHA PAAL

Indari Appam or Pesaha Appam is unleavened bread and Pesaha Paal refers to Passover made on Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday) among the Kerala Syrian Catholics. Holy Thursday falls on the day of the Jewish Passover. The Malayalam term for Passover is Pesaha.

The tradition of making Pesaha Appam and Paalu on Pesaha would have come from the early Jews who came to Kerala. The Jewish tradition is preserved in the consumption of Pesaha pal (passover coconut milk) instead of wine on the night of passover along with Pesaha appam (unleavened passover bread).

## Ingredients for Pesaha Appam

1. Rice Flour - 2 cups (It doesn't have to be roasted)
2. Grated Coconut - 11/4 cup
3. Uzhunnu (Urad Dal) - Ahandful (soaked in water for a few hours)
4. Shallots (Kunjulli) - 5 or 6 pieces
5. Garlic

- 2 cloves

6. Cumin (Jeerakam) - $1 / 4$ tsp
7. Salt - to taste
8. Water - as required

## Preparation Method

1. Take rice flour in a big vessel and add a pinch of salt.
2. Grind the soaked uzhunnu parippu with little water to form a fine paste and add it to the rice flour.
3. Grind shallots and garlic to form a fine paste and add it to the rice flour.
4. Grind coconut and $1 / 4 \mathrm{tsp}$ jeera to form a coarse paste.
5. Mix everything together adding little water to form a thick batter. Add more salt if required. The consistency of the batter should
be slightly less than that of idli batter.
6. Keep the batter for around 3 hours.
7. Grease a steel plate or line it with Banana leaves and pour the batter and spread it evenly. Make a cross using the Palm Leaves from Palm Sunday and place it on the middle of the batter. This Appam with the cross is known as Kurishu Appam.
8. Steam it for around 15 minutes in an AppaChembu or Idli Cooker.
9. With the remaining batter, you can make appam in the same way without the cross.

## Ingredients for Pesaha Coconut Milk

| 1. Coconut Milk | - | 3 Cups |
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| 2. Sharkara (Jaggery) | - | $1 / 4 \mathrm{~kg}$ (Use Black Jaggery |
|  |  | for a dark color) |
| 3. Rice Flour | - | $1 / 4 \mathrm{cup}$ |
| 4. Powdered Dry Ginger (Chukka) | $1 / 2 \mathrm{tsp}$ |  |
| 5. Powdered Cardamom (Elakka) | $-1 / 4 \mathrm{tsp}$ |  |
| 6. Powdered Cumin | - | $1 / 4 \mathrm{tsp}$ |
| 7. Black Sesame Seeds (Ella) | - | $1 / 4 \mathrm{tsp}$ |

## Preparation Method

1. Melt jaggery by boiling it slowly in around $1 / 2$ cup of water. Filter the syrup.
2. Take coconut milk in a saucepan. Keep it on low heat and bring it to a boil stirring continuously.
3. Add jaggery syrup to the coconut milk and stir for a few minutes.
4. Dissolve the rice flour in little water and add it to the above mixture so that the mixture thickens.
5. Add the powdered spices (dry ginger, cumin and cardamom) and finally some sesame seeds.
6. You can add small pieces of the palm leaves to the Pesaha Milk.

## How Many Eggs?

Here is a hilarious incident that I wish to share. Class IX in a Mumbai suburb - topic of discussion chicken and eggs. So after a detailed explanation on the nutritive benefits of eggs and poultry and its importance in our diet, the children were asked, " How many eggs will a hen lay in a day?"

Eager and enthusiastic hands went up with answers.
Rohan in the back row came up with the answer, "One egg ma'm".

Dona said, "Two eggs"
Sonali agreed with Rohan and said "One a day".
David supported Dona and he was sure hens could lay 2 eggs a day, one in the morning and one in the evening. Some children were not sure as to how many eggs a hen could lay in a day even though they had eggs for breakfast. There were difference of opinion. A few of them said three eggs and one learned soul came up with the brilliant argument that if the hens are fed with nutritious food in the the right quantity they could even lay up to 7 eggs a day! This was the height of confusion.

At this juncture I decided to intervene and suggested that we should ask the poultry farmer for first hand information. The whole class planned a visit to a poultry farm on the outskirts of Mumbai to find out how many eggs a hen could lay in a day.
(P.S. Now-a-days all such answers are available on the net)

- Mercy Sebastian, St. Paul Unit, Sanpada.


## Lenten Retreat

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\text { ( } 4^{\text {th }}-6^{\text {th }} \text { April 2014.) }
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$4^{\text {th }} \& 5^{\text {th }}$ (Friday \& Saturday) : $6 \mathrm{pm}-10 \mathrm{pm}$ $6^{\text {th }}$ (Sunday): 8am - 12.30pm.
Preacher: Rev. Fr. Shibu Pulickal
(Rector : St. Thomas Minor Seminary, Panvel)

## Holy Week

Palm Sunday (13-04-2014)
8am \& 6.30 pm : Holy Mass
No English Mass (11am)
Maundy Thursday (17-04-2014)
$7 \mathrm{am}-6 \mathrm{pm}$ : Unit-wise Eucharistic Adoration
$6 \mathrm{pm}-7 \mathrm{pm}$ : Common Adoration
7 pm : Holy Qurbana \& Maundy Thursday Service

## Good Friday (18-04-2014)

3 pm : Good Friday Service \& Way of the Cross
Holy Saturday (19-04-2014)
7 am : Holy Saturday Service
Easter
$19^{\text {th }}$ April (Saturday), 10pm: Uyirpu Thirukarmangal \& Holy Qurbana

20 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ April (Easter Sunday): Holy Qurbana: 8am.

Wisf You a Fruitful Lent and Happy Easter

## Maundy ThursdayAdoration

## Time Schedule

| 07am-08am | Bethlehem Zone (Holy Trinity, St. Antony, <br> St. Martin units) |
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| 08am-09am | Canaan Zone (St. Jude, BI. Chavara units) |
| 09am-10am | Egypt Zone (Holy Family, Don Bosco units) |
| 10am-11am | Emmaus Zone (FathimaMatha, Cherupushpam, St. John units) |
| 11am-12pm | Israel Zone (St. Alphonsa, Sacred Heart, St. Paul units) |
| 12pm-01pm | Jerusalem Zone (St. Mary, St. Sebastian units) |
| 01pm-02pm | Jordan Zone (St. Joseph, St. Thomas, St. George units) |
| 02pm-03pm | Nazareth Zone (Holy Rosary, Infant Jesus units) |
| 03pm-04pm | Sehiyon Zone (Holy Cross, St. Xavier units) |
| 04pm-05pm | Tabore Zone (BI. Mother Theresa, St. Dominic Savio, St. Peter) |
| 05pm-06pm | Prayer Group |
| 06pm-07pm | Common Adoration |

## Pothuyogam

## (Annual General Body Meeting)

$13^{\text {th }}$ April, 2014 after the Palm Sunday Morning Mass

## Bible Quiz Correct Answers (No. 5. Sep - Oct. 2013 I Kings Chapters 15-22

1. Elijah the Tishbite (17:1)
2. At Wadi kishon (18:40)
3. The vineyard of Naboth (21:2)
4. $32(20: 1)$
5. Because of Shemer from whom it was bought (16:24)
6. Azubah (22:42)
7. For 24 years $(15: 33)$
8. Elisha (19:16)
9. The ravens as commanded by the Lord (17:6)
10. He was treacherously stoned to death on false charges by Jezebel (21:8-14)

## Caption Contest Correct Answer

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## Bible Quiz

 Leo Raju Joseph (St. Thomas Unit)Caption Contest
Darren K. Benn
(St. Dominic Savio Unit)

