### ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE



### 22/23 APR 2023

### COLLECT THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant: make us perfect in every good work to do your will, and work in us that which is wellpleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **LECTIONARY READINGS**

Zephaniah 3:14-20 Acts 2:14a, 36-41 Luke 24:13-35

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Bishop of Singapore and Dean Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung Vicar Revd Canon Dr Lewis Lew Associate Vicar Revd Christopher Chan Clergy and Deaconess Revd Moses Israeli, Revd Daniel Lim, Revd Alvin Toh, Revd Andrew Yap, Ds Ti Lian Swan Auxiliary Clergy Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay, Revd Soon Soo Kee Auxiliary Deaconess Ds June Tan

### **THE WORLD**

Malaysia: Pray that the government led by Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim will seek the welfare of their people and solve the many pressing problems before them. Pray for competent men and women of integrity in the Federal and State governments. Pray for effective implementation of strategies that will improve the livelihood for all Malaysians, especially the deprived and the poor.

Indonesia: Recently, there have been many natural disasters from volcanic eruptions, earthquakes to floods. Haze and heat wave are expected in Indonesia and her close neighbours. Pray for the poor and the vulnerable to receive prompt assistance to reduce suffering; pray for livelihoods and the quality of life to be restored quickly.

Pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ to persevere in prayer; that God will strengthen them to have the courage, tenacity and the means to be "salt and light" in these countries.

### **SINGAPORE**

Pray that our men and women in the Ministries of Defence, Health and Home Affairs, will implement good strategies to keep Singapore safe from external threats, be they war, terrorism or viruses. Pray our cyber defence and education of our people, will stop scammers from deceiving and defrauding our people.

This week Muslims celebrate Hari Raya Puasa, a joyous day of celebration after a month of fasting. Pray that they will have a blessed time with family and friends. Teach us to reach out to them with love and kindness and that we be winsome in our ways.

### DIOCESE

Deanery of Indonesia — Dean: Revd Dr Timothy Chong and the pastors and staff of the churches in Indonesia.

Pray that the congregation will grow in the love and the fear of the LORD and be good testimonies for God. Pray for God's anointing on the teachers in the schools and kindergartens. Pray that the next generation of young people will be well nurtured and radiate the love and wisdom of the LORD.

#### CATHEDRAL

### Nave restoration

Pray for all who are involved in the restoration — the contractors, engineers, managers, supervisors, specialists, workers and our staff — that they will have the enablement from our heavenly Father, and be blessed with the joy of His presence daily. Pray for safety, timely availability of the right materials and excellent project management. As the LORD refreshes His physical building, may He also do the same with His church, the body of Christ that worships in this place.

#### Cathedral members

Pray for God to open our eyes to see the things that have brought burdens, anxieties, fears and sometimes, even darkness into our hearts. Implore our Heavenly Father to lead us back to His path of righteousness and peace; that in our repentance, we remember also His abundant grace and mercy. Let us be patient, humble, and wait expectantly for Him to pour out His holy fire into our hearts, so we return to our first love for Him and place Him as the only Lord of our lives.

### I LEADERSHIP TRANSITION IN ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

### Announcement by the Vicar's Warden (Mr Keith Chua) Dear Church,

aving prayerfully and carefully considered the long-term plans to strengthen our Diocese and our mission works in the deaneries, Bishop Titus Chung has decided to make an important leadership transition in Cathedral. The plan is for Revd Christopher Chan to take over as the Acting Vicar of St Andrew's Cathedral from 1st January 2024.

As for Canon Lewis Lew, he will be taking on additional diocesan responsibilities from 1st June: he will serve as both the Vicar of St George's Church and the Dean of Laos while continuing as the Vicar of St Andrew's Cathedral until the end of this year. From 1st Jan 2024, he will hand over the leadership of Cathedral to Revd Christopher and give his fullest attention to St George's Church and the Deanery of Laos. Therefore, one of Vicar's priorities for the rest of this year is to support Revd Christopher as he prepares for his new appointment.

Regarding Vicar's new assignment: St George's Church dates back to 1860s and is located in the Dempsey area. It has a congregation of about 560 members consisting of expatriates and locals, and the Vicar has always been an expatriate clergyman. Revd Ian Hadfield is the current Vicar, and his licence will expire in July this year. Bishop Titus believes that the time is right for the parish to have a local Vicar. This assignment will contribute to the longevity of the parish's ministry, which is especially important in view of the growth of the parish and the government's plans to develop Dempsey into a residential estate.

St George's Church has only one clergyman (the Vicar) and a lean staff team. Given the ministry demands, Vicar will be less present in Cathedral between June and December, for which we ask your kind understanding. He will do his best to be back on some weekends and for major events, and he will continue to chair the PCC meeting and be responsible for Cathedral's key decisions. However, for most pastoral and operational matters, Revd Christopher, our Associate Vicar, will be stepping up to provide the necessary leadership during this period.

You might have observed that Revd Christopher has been undergoing preparation for this leadership role since he began serving here in Cathedral. We believe that you have been tremendously blessed by his leadership and ministry, especially over the pulpit. We hope that you will give him your fullest support.

Lastly, let us pray for both St Andrew's Cathedral and St George's Church during this critical period of leadership transition in both parishes. *Thank you*.

### Conclusion by the Vicar (Revd Canon Dr Lewis Lew)

With these key developments and the leadership succession plan for Cathedral, I will once again be sent into the mission fields, and I see myself as being sent out by you from Cathedral to fulfil God's call in both St George's Church and in the Deanery of Laos.

I know that, as with any change, some people will be uncomfortable with the decision. I want to assure you that Bishop Titus has carefully considered the life of Cathedral, how we have turned a corner, the delay in the Nave restoration, and the immediate tasks at hand in the Diocese. Having also considered that Cathedral has an able and stable leadership team, the lay included, he has prayerfully arrived at this decision.

I urge you to focus on the vision and mission that God has given to Cathedral in this season, and to give your fullest support to Revd Christopher Chan and the church leadership, in preparation for the revival that God will pour out on Cathedral. Lastly, I ask for your prayers for me and my family, and for Revd Christopher and his family, as we make this important leadership transition.

### SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL

In English				
TIME	HOLY COMMUNION		VENUE	
Sat 4.00 pm	2nd and 4th week		CNS	
Sat 5.30pm	Last week		Pavilion	
Sun 7.30 am ▶	Weekly		CNS	
Sun 9.30am ▶	2nd and 4th week		Pavilion	
Sun 11.30 am	Weekly		CNS	
Sun 1.30 pm (Youth*)			Prayer Halls	
Sun 4.30 pm	Weekly		CNS	
Wed 12.30 pm	Weekly		Pavilion	
In other languages				
Sat 2.30 pm (Hokkien)	1st week		Chapel for All Peoples	
Sun 2.30 pm (Myanmar)	Weekly		CNS	

- \* There is no Youth service on the 4th Sunday of the month.
- Service will be live-streamed at cathedral.org.sg/youtube





The NextGen Ministry brings together the Children Ministry, Youth Ministry and Young Adult Ministry with the aim of building up every child towards spiritual maturity as they grow from a toddler into adulthood.

# CHILDREN MINISTRY PROGRAMME (3 – 12 years)

Please register via Children Ministry Registration Form

Ministry	Level	Day/Time	Venue
Shalom Friends*	6 to 16 yrs	Saturday 2:00pm	SAC B1 Prayer Halls
CityKids	Preschool to Primary 6	Saturday 4:00pm	SAC B1 Prayer Halls
FaithKids 1	Preschool to Primary 6	Sunday 9:30am	SAC Welcome Centre (P1-6) Classroom C (Preschool)
FaithKids 2	Preschool to Primary 6	Sunday 11:15am	SAC B1 Prayer Halls

\*Shalom Friends reaches out to children and youths with Autism. Due to the nature of the ministry, Shalom Friends will cater to youths up to 16 years old.

To find out more about the Children Ministry, contact <a href="mailto:nextgen@cathedral.org.sg">nextgen@cathedral.org.sg</a>

The Cathedral Youth Ministry

Click QR code to register!

## Metamorphosis

for teens 13 to 15 years

1st & 3rd Sundays of the month 10.45am - 12.15pm Chapel for All Peoples

To find out more about the Youth Ministry, contact <a href="mailto:nextgen@cathedral.org.sg">nextgen@cathedral.org.sg</a>



### 2023 SERMON SERIES

### Apr 15 & 16

Learning from the Man of Faith -Abraham Revd Daniel Lim

### Apr 22 & 23

The Blessings of Justification -Peace, Joy, Hope and Love Revd Andrew Yap

### Apr 29 & 30

The Source of Sin and New Life Explained
Revd Canon Dr Lewis Lew

### May 6 & 7

**Dead to Sin and Alive to God** Revd Christopher Chan

### May 13 & 14

Becoming Slaves of Righteousness Revd Moses Israeli

### May 20 & 21

What Keeps Us Free From Sin? Revd Alvin Toh

### May 27 & 28

**Life in the Spirit**Revd Canon Dr Lewis Lew

Follow our weekly reflection questions at: cathedral.org.sg/ss



# BEYOND HIS LES Wrection

Unlike the other apostles of Christ,
the Apostle Paul was never a disciple of Christ.
Paul only met Jesus Christ after His resurrection in his
dramatic encounter with Christ on the road to Damascus.
How does Paul see Jesus? What does he tell us in his epistles?
What does knowing Christ beyond his resurrection mean to us?
This will be our focus in the Easter season.

### St Andrew's Cathedral

# AGM2023

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2023 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Parish of St Andrew's Cathedral will be held on 23 April 2023 (Sunday) at 2pm at the Cathedral New Sanctuary (CNS).

Entry to the CNS will be open at 1.30pm.

All Electoral Roll members who have pre-registered to attend the AGM should present their e-ticket and bring along their photo-ID for verification purposes, to facilitate faster entry to the AGM.

Electoral Roll members who have not pre-registered but wish to attend the AGM should bring along their photo-ID for verification purposes.

## NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTION TO THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL (PCC)

The AGM will elect the People's Warden, 12 Lay Representatives and 04 Synod Representatives.

CANDIDATE(S) STANDING FOR Election as Synod Representatives (2023 - 2026)



Chan Kheng Tek



Chua Tiang Choon Keith



Joseph Thambiah



Low Chung Guan

CANDIDATE STANDING FOR Election as People's Warden (2023 - 2024)



Joseph Thambiah

# CANDIDATE(S) STANDING FOR Election As Lay Representatives To The Parochial Church Council (2023-2024)



Chan Yik Seng Jonathen



Daphne Gan RuiQi



Doris De Souza



Felicia Ma



Goh Kia Teck Andrew



Karen Chua



Reuben Wong Kong Min



Robin Tan



Samantha Foong Chi Yeng



Tan Hock Soon Adrias

More information about our PCC candidates may be found on the Cathedral website: bit.ly/agm-pcc

### **ENQUIRIES AND REQUESTS**

Members who have questions and/or require help in relation to the AGM 2023 may email <a href="mailto:secretariat@cathedral.org.sg">secretariat@cathedral.org.sg</a> or call +65 6337 6104.

For more information visit cathedral.org.sg/agm23



### THE WELCOME CENTRE

"See, I have set before you an open door that no one can shut."

Revelation 3:8

We are thankful to God for blessing the Cathedral with the Welcome Centre – a special space set apart to be His open door for all to enter to encounter Him. By God's grace, He brings us together as the church to work out His purpose for it. By faith, we look to Him to lead us on.

Based on the study undertaken by a Taskforce in 2021 on the use of the Welcome Centre in the post-Covid season, the PCC had considered members' feedback received, the financial position, the functional and ministry aims of the Welcome Centre. A resolution was then passed to cease the commercial operations of the Cathedral Cafe. Subsequently, a working committee was commissioned last year to prepare for the Welcome Centre reopening.

Being an integral part of the Cathedral, the Welcome Centre's purpose and use are decidedly aligned with the Cathedral's focus on discipleship and evangelism, and with the Diocesan's call to obey the Great Commandment (Matt. 22:36-40) and to fulfill the Great Commission (Matt.28:16-20). We envision the Welcome Centre to be a place of blessing to both the public and members – an oasis offering rest and respite from the activities, cares and busyness of life and work. Those who enter are welcomed with warm hospitality and a friendly chat or listening ear

over a complimentary cup of coffee/tea in a comfortable setting. For those with pastoral needs, attentive care is extended and the follow-up by specific ministries to help with such needs.

It is our heartfelt prayer that our Lord Jesus will draw many to encounter him with the spirit refreshed, the soul restored, the heart encouraged with hope through fellowship, and lives saved through the sharing of the good news. May it be a space where the Cathedral family can come together to share life to bless each other, and to serve to bless the community.

With several major renovations in progress on the Cathedral ground, there is a significant limitation of space. Consequently, the Welcome Centre is now used as staff workspace, a place for meetings and ministry. The eventual reopening of the Welcome Centre is closely dependent on the completion of these renovations. We hope to share more updates along the way as the work progresses.

Should you have any inquiry or feedback relating to the Welcome Centre, please do connect with us at welcomecentre@cathedral.org.sg. Let us pray in faith as we look to the LORD to bring all the Cathedral renovations to completion in His sovereign time and way, for His glorious purpose.



THANKSGIVING & FUNDRAISING DINNER

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5 May 2023 | 6.30pm - 9.45pm One Farrer Hotel

CITY Community Services was established in 2007 as part of St Andrew's Cathedral outreach efforts to the less privileged children in Singapore. Working in partnership with primary schools with a comprehensive mentoring programme, thousands of students have benefited much going through the programme with the support of our staff and volunteers.

We thank the Lord for His provision and look to the church to continue her kind support by joining us at our Thanksgiving & Fundraising Dinner.

You may support in the following ways:

- Sponsor a table at \$\$2,500/\$\$5,000/\$\$10,000 each; or
- Purchase individual seat(s) at S\$250 each; or
- Give a general donation

Note: All contributions are eligible for 2.5 times tax deduction



Scan the QR code or click

https://tinyurl.com/citydinner for more information.

DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF

Joseph Rich Cheong Kum Wah

Some of us may have grown up in the faith, some of us may have been invited by a dear friend, some of us may have found our way here. Whatever your story might be, it's a story worth telling. And a story worth hearing.

Join us as we engage in honest and intimate conversations over BBQ and activity, as we get to know each other's stories.



## Simmering stories and dories over BBQ

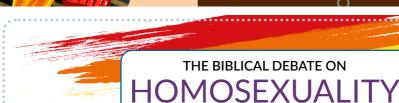
30 April 2023
Time:
6pm - 9pm
Venue:
St Andrew's
Cathedral
Amphitheatre
and Prayer Halls
Cost:
\$10/pax

Date:



Kindly register by 24 April by scanning the QR code or going to tinyurl.com/sacyabbq23. We hope to see you there!





Do we really understand what the Bible says about alternate lifestyles? The recent repeal of Section 377A of the Penal Code brought the issue of homosexuality to the fore again. Join Revd Dr Jeremy-Joe Tan on an in-depth exploration of the main Scriptural passages on the issue and receive handles on how to engage in conversation with friends and family.

Date: 16 May 2023 (Tues)

Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm (via Zoom)

Speaker:

Revd Dr Jeremy-Joe Tan Revd Dr Jeremy-Joe Tan is an ordained minister with the Anglican Diocese of Singapore and a faculty member of the Trinity Theological College.



Interested participants may register at https://forms.gle/52vaJmoKKwHvFQ5f8 by 12 May. A programme that is Christ-centred and Word-based, offering practical help.
A safe place where others who have had similar experiences come alongside you on your healing and restoration journey.

# DIVORCE are

### SPECIALLY FOR WOMEN

Dates: alternate Saturdays, 17 June - 2 December

Time: 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Venue: 3 sessions at SAC, 10 sessions via zoom

Cost: \$35 (for workbook)



For more information and registration, scan the QR code, or go to <a href="https://cathedral.org.sg/dc">https://cathedral.org.sg/dc</a> (limited to 16 participants; closing date 31 May 2023).



For more details, visit <a href="https://www.divorcecare.org/about">https://www.divorcecare.org/about</a> For queries, please email: membercare@cathedral.org.sg

Organised by the Care for the Divorced and Separated Team (Renewing Streams Ministry), Member Care Ministry



### **OUR VISION**

Every person salved, secure and significant in Christ, living the abundant life, for the glory of God!

### **OUR MISSION**

To journey with people toward wholeness, by offering the gift of our presence, a listening ear, a compassionate

heart; to pray with, give encouragement and practical help for the way ahead, with reliance on God and the help of His Holy Spirit.



- Care for the Elderly
- Care for the Young (the teens to 20s)
- Care for Married Couples and Families
- Care for Divorced and Separated (Renewing Streams Ministry)
- Care for the Sick
- Care for the Bereaved
- Care for all Others (who do not fall into the above categories)

If you are facing challenges and would like the ministry to reach out to you, do contact us at membercare@cathedral.org.sg or call 6337 6104. To find out more about the ministry or volunteer with us, please visit <a href="https://cathedral.org.sg/care">https://cathedral.org.sg/care</a>





Cathedral Women's Fellowship

# Come and make a fresh flower posy for Mother's Day



13 May 2023 • 2pm-4pm • Cost: \$10 Closing date for registration: 8 May 2023 • Limited slots

For more details or registration, email <a href="mailto:cwf@cathedral.org.sg">cwf@cathedral.org.sg</a>

Senior Members' Fellowship

# inwardly renewed DAY BY DAY

Revd Lui Choo Huat from our Mandarin Congregation will be sharing on how we can be renewed by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit in our daily lives.

27 April 2023 10.30am to 12.00pm Prayer Halls Speaker: Revd Lui Choo Huat

For more details, WhatsApp at 98332786 or email davidng@cathedral.org.sg

### APRIL 2023 UPDATE ON NAVE RESTORATION WORKS

### "Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labour in vain."

We continue to Thank God for answered prayers: the second delivery of lime plaster materials has arrived: the second half of scaffolding work from the main Nave to the reredos is in progress and nearing completion; the plastering work to the bell tower is progressing well; the laying of air-conditioning pipes is almost done and the pressure tests have been conducted: the electrical contractor has started laving the containments which will be followed by the laying of cables for the various services, such as IT, AV system, CCTV and other security systems; the painting of the staff offices at the South Transept L2 and L3 has been completed, and the cleaning of these offices and minor repair work to the window and door glass panels is in progress; and the painting of the external walls at the South Transept has been completed.

We are currently looking at the completion of all works to the external walls of the bell tower by May 2023, after which the scaffolding around the bell tower will be dismantled. The repair works to the fleur-de-lis (located at the bell tower) will commence soon, and hopefully, will be completed before the scaffolding is removed. The main contractor plans to complete the rest of the external works in stages, and to reassign the workers to carry out internal works as each stage of external works is completed. The SAC team will continue to work closely with the main contractor on site operation matters.

We are thankful for members from the Mandarin and English congregations who have continued to bless the workers with meals and love gifts. Such sharing of God's love and care has touched the workers, who are very appreciative.

In the recent weeks, we have been informed by the main contractor for the Cathedral Nave Restoration project, Shanghai Chong Kee Furniture & Construction Pte Ltd ("SCK"), that they had on 20 March 2023, applied to the High Court of the Republic of Singapore for moratorium protection. In the application to court, SCK has sought court orders to restrain legal actions by creditors for a period of 6 months. If the application is granted, the court-supervised process will give time for SCK to reorganise its liabilities and business, including holding discussions with potential investors and potential asset divestments. SCK has further

informed us that they remain committed to continue and to complete the ongoing project.

In the meantime, the Cathedral leadership is seeking legal advice on the implications of the Moratorium Application on Cathedral and the Nave Restoration project, and working through with our consultants and project team on the best way to move the project forward to ensure the timely completion. We will continue to update members from time to time on significant events affecting the project.

We continue to pray for the Lord's favour over the restoration –

- for smooth work progress and the safety of all workers and the technical team, especially when working at heights;
- for good weather, so that the works can continue smoothly and safely;
- for skilled workers to be available:
- for a safe and peaceful environment for the work to continue with minimal disruptions and distractions from internal and external sources; and
- for wisdom and practical abilities for the project teams to give of their best to this work.





Above left: Scaffolding reaching the reredos Above right: Electrical containment works in progress Below Sharing the Love of Christ to the workers



## STAY CONNECTED

with the Cathedral



For children, youth and young adults

Find out about our Sunday School, Youth and Young Adult ministries:



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### **Cell Group**

Being part of a cell group allows us to grow in our Christian faith as we share our lives with each other. Join one at:



cathedral.org.sg/cell-groups



### RESTORATION PROJECT

Visit the web page for updates or drop us an email to find out more:



**m** cathedral.org.sg/restoration



nave\_restoration@cathedral.org.sg



### **Member Contact Details**

Update your contact details held in the SAC records at:



## cathedral.org.sg/membership





## JOIN OUR TEAM

The following pastoral positions are open for application:

- Communications Executive
- NextGen Ministry Administrator
- Ministry Administrative Executive

Find out more at cathedral.org.sg/iobs



### CAR PARK

Members who wish to park at the SAC car park with member rates must submit their application at: cathedral.org.sg/carpark For enquiries, please email carpark@cathedral.org.sg

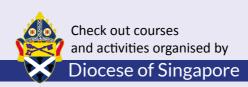


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**CYCLE OF PRAYER 2023** 



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# tithes and offerings



### 2 WAYS TO GIVE



### Online

### **Internet Banking**

Account Name: St Andrew's Cathedral Account Number: DBS Autosave 033-903411-8

### **PayNow**

PayNow Name:

St Andrew's Cath Parochial Church C UEN: T08CC4055LT01

Receipts will not be issued for online givings.

## Cheques

### Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"

On the reverse side of the cheque, you may indicate your Tithing number (if any). If you would like a receipt, please also write your name and mailing address.

Cheques can be mailed to St Andrew's Cathedral, 11 St Andrew's Road, Singapore 178959

### FOR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

**Tithes & Offerings:** Your tithes and offerings will be used to support the ministries of the Church as well as the wider body of Christ in the world. Your givings enable the Church to carry out our mission according to the Church's budget plan, as well as to respond to the needs around us.

Designated Givings: As Cathedral is required to comply with applicable laws and regulations, including those governing charities, the Church can accept designated givings only for such mission partners and/or causes as the Church may determine at its discretion from time to time. Givings to other mission partners or causes will be treated as general offerings to support the ministries of the Church. Please email finance@cathedral.org.sg for clarification on designated mission partners and causes.

### FOR THE HERITAGE FUND

Cheques – Pay to "St Andrew's Cathedral".

Write "Heritage Fund" on the reverse side and include your name and mailing address.

### Online transfer

Account Name: St Andrew's Cathedral Account Number: DBS Autosave 033-019550-8

### PayNow:

Heritage Fund UEN - T08CC4055LHF1