ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE



2/3 DECEMBER 2023

COLLECT FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility: so that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever, Amen.

LECTIONARY READINGS

Isaiah 64:1-9 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:24-37

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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

Many nations are building up military and nuclear capabilities that could cause mass destruction. Pray for global peace, stability and the deescalation of geopolitical tensions. Pray that the COP28 (Climate Change Conference of the Parties) in Dubai will result in concrete plans to cut greenhouse gas emissions, boost renewable energy investment and help developing countries green their economies. Pray that in these uncertain and challenging times, the gospel will advance with greater urgency especially to the unreached people groups in the 10/40 window.

SINGAPORE

Pray that Singapore will be continually vigilant and prepared to counter any threats to our national security; that we will remain strong in resolve and united in effort to safeguard our hard-earned multi-racial and multi-religious harmony. Pray that people of different cultures and languages will forge close community bonds of mutual respect and co-operation; the poor and the needy will be well cared for and everyone will have the opportunity to realise their potential and use their talents in the service of our nation.

DIOCESE

Province of South East Asia

Pray for the Archbishop of the Province of South East Asia & Bishop of the Diocese of Sabah, the Most Revd Datuk Melter Tais, the Bishop of the Diocese of Kuching, Rt Revd Datuk Danald Jute, the Bishop of the Diocese of West Malaysia, Rt Revd Dr Steven Abbarow and the Bishop of the Diocese of Singapore, Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung,

that God will envision and empower them to serve His purpose in the Province, deepen their collaboration in strategic evangelistic, discipleship and missions initiatives. Pray that the work of the Province will continue to grow and flourish under God's mighty hand as His people unite in heart, mind and spirit, to advance His Kingdom and exalt His Name.

CATHEDRAL

Season of Advent

Advent is a time of spiritual preparation for the coming or birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a season of prayer, fasting and repentance, followed by anticipation, hope and joy. We celebrate Advent not only by remembering Christ's first coming but look forward in anticipation as we prepare for His second coming.

Pray that we will give ourselves, in this season of Advent, to prayer, to fasting and repent of the things that the Holy Spirit brings to light. As we prepare for Christmas, let us remember with grateful hearts, God's gracious provision of His Son for our salvation. Pray that we will be bold in witnessing and pursuing holiness as we also prepare for the second coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

"Christmas Is Love" lunch (9 Dec)

Pray that nothing will hinder the residents of Bukit Merah from coming to the "Christmas Is Love" lunch, for Cathedral members to be good hosts to our guests, making them feel warmly welcomed. Pray for the Lord's anointing upon the programme and for the residents to be ministered to. Pray that they will sense God's presence with them and be drawn to Him.

SERVICES AT THE CATHEDRAL

In English			
TIME	HOLY COMMUNION		VENUE
Sat 4.00 pm	2nd and 4th week		CNS
Sat 5.30pm	Last week		Prayer Halls
Sun 7.30 am ▶	Weekly		CNS
Sun 9.30 am 🕞	2nd and 4th week		Pavilion
Sun 11.30 am	Weekly		CNS
Sun 2.00 pm (Youth*)			Prayer Halls
Sun 4.30 pm	Weekly**		CNS
Wed 12.30pm	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.
- ** The Evensong Service will be in session on the fifth Sunday and there will be no administration of Holy Communion.
- Service will be live-streamed at cathedral.org.sg/youtube

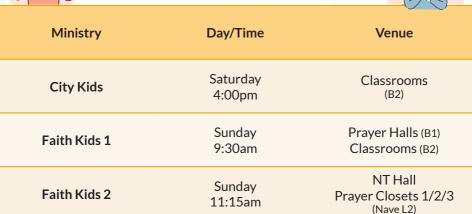


Building up every child towards spiritual maturity



CHILDREN MINISTRY

Preschool - Primary 6 (ages 3 – 12)



Register here and join us for children ministry!

To find out more about the Children Ministry, contact nextgen@cathedral.org.sg

CATHEDRAL YOUTH

The Cathedral Youth Ministry welcomes all youths from 13 - 25 years old

First 3 Sundays of the month

- Youth Service 2pm @ North Transept Hall
- Metamorphosis 10.45am @ Chapel For All Peoples & Prayer Hall C

To find out more about the Youth Ministry. contact nextgen@cathedral.org.sg

SCAN TO REGISTER FOR



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ADVENT & COMBINED YEAR-END SERVICES 2023

2 & 3 Dec

The Coming of the Son of Man Revd Christopher Chan

9 & 10 Dec

Prepare the Way of the Lord Revd Alvin Toh

16 & 17 Dec

The Witness of Christ Revd Moses Israeli

17 Dec, 7.30pm at CNS Lessons & Carols

23 Dec

The Birth of Christ Foretold Revd Daniel Lim

24 Dec*, 10pm at Nave The Dedication of the Nave & Christmas Eve Combined Service

The Birth of Christ Bp Dr Titus Chung * All regular Sunday Services will not be in session.

25 Dec, 8am at Nave Christmas Day Combined Service. The Identity of Christ Revealed: The Shepherds

Revd Christopher Chan

30 & 31 Dec**

The Identity of Christ Revealed: Simeon and Anna Revd Andrew Yap ** All regular Sunday services will be in session.

31 Dec, 10.30pm at Nave Covenant Service Revd Christopher Chan



Download the Advent Devotional 2023 at <u>cathedral</u>. org.sg/a23

Hardcopies will be made available from 25 Nov 2023.

WEDNESDAY 12.30PM Holy Communion Service

"He is before all things, and in him all things hold together" (Col 1:17)



Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour is above all, in all and with all.
In him all things hold together.
The life we live is therefore held together by our Lord Jesus Christ.
How does Jesus hold our life together?
What happens when he holds our life together?



Join us as we explore the different ways Jesus holds our life together.



Welcome Hosts

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The Cathedral Welcome Centre

With great anticipation and excitement,
we look forward to the long-awaited reopening of
the Cathedral Welcome Centre scheduled in April 2024.
We envision it 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.

It is our heartfelt prayer that our Lord Jesus will draw many to encounter him – being refreshed, restored and encouraged with hope, and lives transformed through the sharing of the good news.

"... I was a stranger and you welcomed me"

Matthew 25:35



If you aspire to be a channel of God's love and blessing to the community, if you are warm hearted and love offering friendly smiles, come be a Welcome Host!

No prior experience is needed. Training will be provided. Consider pairing up with a friend, family or cell member to serve in this ministry. The preparation for this ministry will begin in first quarter of 2024.

Scan/click the QR code to find out more and sign up as a Welcome Host.

For further enquiries, please email pataw@cathedral.org.sg

Think God might be calling you into full-time ministry?

Keen to give a season of your life to church work (pastoral, admin, or operations)?

Join SAC as an intern!

This programme is open only to SAC members who are Singaporeans or Singapore PR. A small allowance will be given and confirmation of internship is subject to approval.

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MINISTRY NTERNSHIP Programme

Apply or find out more at https://cathedral.org.sg/intern



The Short Term Mission trips are open for all interested members to sign up:

Nepal: 25 April to 6 May 2024 Thailand: 16 to 24 May 2024

All participants must complete the compulsory training on the following dates: 16, 23 March & 6, 13 April 2024



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Join us to explore life's big questions

Alpha@Cathedral

31 Jan - 24 Apr 2024 Wed, 7pm-9pm Prayer Halls



Find out more at https://cathedral.org.sg/alpha

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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.

Our Care Teams are organised as follows:

- 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 https://cathedral.org.sg/care



Cathedral Women's Fellowship

Volunteers needed to join the Church Linen Team

The Cathedral Women's Fellowship invites volunteers to join a dedicated team of ladies taking care of the church linen used at the Lord's Table by washing and ironing them each week.

Training will be provided. If you would like to join us or find out more, please contact Helen Boey at 92301345.



OCTOBER 2023 UPDATE ON NAVE RESTORATION WORKS

Testing of Bell tower lighting.

We are now approaching the last leg of a longer than expected run. We continue to thank God for seeing us through every step of the way, providing us with the stamina and strength to take us to where we are now. His provisions are manifold and they continue to flow throughout. We have a great and awesome God, fully worthy of our praise. Thank you so much, Heavenly Father.

Almost all the external scaffolds have been removed, and the internal scaffolds too. Tiling

works are in progress inside the Nave, whilst floor polishing works in both the North Transept Hall and South Transept Hall are nearing completion. We have moved on from mainly masonry and painting works to fitting works, carpentry and M&E works as well as cleaning up works. The following works will be carried out in the Nave from November:-

1. M&E

- Installation of air-conditioning fan coil units and condensing units will take place, and we hope to have the air-conditioners up and running by mid-November.
- The lights and fans are currently being installed in the Nave, and we should also have the electrical system for the Nave in place by end November
- The AV system will be installed from the second week of November, including those in the North Transept Hall and South Transept Hall.

Polishing of NT Hall floor in progress



Scaffold removed. Lighting and fans installation in progress.



2. Carpentry

- The pews have been restored, and we plan to move the pews back into the Nave by the third or fourth week of November.
- Varnishing works to the fixed furniture in the sanctuary are ongoing.
- Re-installation of all doors and windows is ongoing and should be completed by the second week of November.

3. External Works:

- Washing of the remaining roof tiles at the North East section of the Cathedral building will take place from the second week of November.
- Part of the hoardings around the Nave will be removed in November. For your own safety, please do not enter the Cathedral building as works will still be ongoing inside the building.

4. Cleaning works

- Cleaning works are currently in progress, and more intensive cleaning will take place before the pews are moved back into the Nave.
- The marble flooring in the sanctuary will be cleaned and polished by the second week of November.

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

- for 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;
- for wisdom and practical abilities for the project teams to give of their best to this work; and
- for smooth work progress and the completion of the Nave restoration project.

"Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain." (Ps 127:1) ESV

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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:



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NAVE RESTORATION PROJECT

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



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Member Contact Details

Update your contact details held in the SAC records at:



athedral.org.sg/membership





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The following positions are open for application:

- Communications Executive
- Children Ministry Pastoral Staff

Find out more at cathedral.org.sg/jobs



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For enquiries, please email carpark@cathedral.org.sg



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CYCLE OF PRAYER 2023



Synod Presidential Address

Hear Bishop Titus' heart for our diocese in this season!

Download a copy from the diocesan website at https://anglican.org.sg/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Synod-Address-Nov-2003 final.pdf



For job opportunities in the Anglican Diocese, please visit anglican.org.sg/work-with-us/

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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.