



### WFLCOMF

A warm welcome to all members and visitors to our Services today.

#### **HOLY COMMUNION**

We welcome all confirmed members of the Anglican Church and visitors who are communicant members of other churches to share in the Holy Communion with us. Our practice is to have the Holy Communion by intinction (dipping of the wafer into the wine). If you are not partaking of the Communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a prayer of blessing. Please keep your hands clasped to indicate that you are not receiving the Communion.

#### **CAR PARKING**

There are very limited carpark lots available within the Cathedral. Members and visitors are encouraged to park at the surrounding carparks on Sunday.

#### **LECTIONARY READINGS**

Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:36-44

#### **HYMNS**

**8.00am & 11.15am:** CP36; CP233; CP31; CP37 **5.00pm:** CP30; HP263; CP469; HP334

#### **Bishop of Singapore and Dean**

The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah

Vicar Revd Canon Terry Wong

Clergy Revd Canon Rinji Kwashi, Revd Peter Cook, Revd Michael Lim, Revd Bertram Cheong, Revd Joshua Raj, Revd Hambali Leonardi, Revd Calvin Wee, Revd Moses Israeli

**Auxilliary Clergy** Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay, Revd Soon Soo Kee, Revd Christopher Tan, Revd Freddy Lim

Deaconesses Ds Bessie Lee, Ds June Tan

# 1 DECEMBER 2019 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT/ ST ANDREW'S DAY

#### **ADVENT SUNDAY**

#### LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Say to them that are of a fearful heart. **Be strong, fear not.** 

Behold your God will come. **And save you.** 

#### **COLLECT**

#### **ADVENT SUNDAY**

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; 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, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### ST ANDREW'S DAY

Almighty God who gave such grace to your apostle Saint Andrew that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and brought his brother with him: call us, by your holy word, and give us grace to follow you without delay and to tell the good news of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

### The Christian Year and Lectionary

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#### **Using the Church Lectionary**

le have just started a new liturgical year as we celebrate the first Sunday of Advent. For a write up on the significance of the Church liturgical year. do read from this link bit.lv/do-tcc.

Until recent years, one can only access the Diocesan lectionary through printed copies. Now, this has been made available in our App (Cathedral SG) We have also included the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer and the occasional Cathedral prayer items. If you follow the lectionary, you will complete reading the Bible in three years and the whole Book of Psalms every month. Some will choose to just follow the Morning or Evening Prayer readings. If you are a new Christian, it will be easier to read the Gospel reading for the Holy Communion service as that is laid out in a daily sequence. The readings are also available in audio and this makes it accessible for those who are visually-challenged or for listening when you are commuting. Another blessing of using the lectionary is how it will connect you to special festivals or help you to remember influential Anglicans in the past whom have contributed to the life of the Church. It will also connect you to important events or developments in SAC or the Diocese.

I am aware that not many Anglicans here are used to following the lectionary. But one can always start and it will take a while to form a good habit. You can still use it on top of whatever devotional materials vou are used to. One interesting thing about using the daily offices (that is another name for the lectionary) is that you are using something that has been with the Church since

her early days. And if enough of us are using it, there is also a sense of our gathering around His Word and observing the liturgical year together as a community.

The Shape of the Christian Year

Much like the gospel the Church proclaims, the calendar the Church keeps revolves around these two divine movements:

- the invasion of the Incarnation, and
- the triumph of the Resurrection.

The former is remembered through the Christmas cycle, from Advent until Lent, and the latter through the Paschal/Easter cycle, from Lent until Pentecost.

## The Incarnation (Christmas Cycle): from Advent

Advent: The Church year begins with Advent, normally around the end of November or the start of December. It is a season where we await Christ's second advent to judge the living and the dead and also to celebrate his first advent at the Incarnation. Christians await the return of Jesus the Messiah to renew all things.

Christmas begins with the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ on December 25 and extends for twelve days of celebrating the Incarnation.

Epiphany begins with the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ and extends to the Presentation of Our Lord Jesus Christ (at the Temple: Luke 2:22-52]. This season commemorates the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles in fulfillment of prophecy, as exemplified in the visitation of the Magi.

#### The Resurrection (Easter/ Paschal Cycle): from Lent to Pentecost

Lent: Just as the Christmas cycle begins with a season of preparation, so the Paschal cycle begins with Lent - the period of fasting and penitence from Ash Wednesday until Holy Saturday. Because Lent lasts for forty days, not counting the six Sundays which are celebrations

of the Resurrection, it recalls Christ's fasting during temptation in the wilderness.

Holy Week: The last week of Lent, Holy Week, remembers the last week of Christ's earthly life, beginning with Palm Sunday's commemoration of

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### PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

#### THE WORLD

#### Cambodia

The terrible genocide of 1975-79 which killed nearly two million and caused over 6,000 to lose their lives or limbs to landmines, has left a deep scar in the people of Cambodia. Pray for deep healing from the trauma of their losses and suffering. Pray for a good government who will uphold righteousness and justice and who seek the welfare of the people. Pray for the light of the gospel to dispel the spiritual darkness from this land. Pray for the young children who are forced by poverty to work at the expense of their education, their health and even their lives; for the rescue of children who are sold to sex traders and for care to be extended to street kids and unwanted children. Pray that God will bless the work of our Deanery in Cambodia and of Project Khmer H.O.P.E., as they reach out to the people of Cambodia to bring the love of Jesus and the hope He offers to rebuild their shattered lives.

#### **SINGAPORE**

A nationwide survey shows there are cracks between different age groups. Dr Janil Puthucheary, a senior minister of state, is concerned that millennials feel neglected, with no voice in an ageing population. The growing divide between the young and old is a fault line that cuts across race, religion and class. He described the current gap as an "overlooked, yet particularly urgent divide" which needs to be addressed. Pray for Dr Puthucheary to be divinely guided as he looks into how we can close the generation gap and find common ground between the young and the old, in the midst of our differences.

#### DIOCESE

Pray for Bishop Rennis, Assistant Bishop Low Jee King, Archdeacon Wong Tak Meng, Diocesan officer and heads of various Boards, that they will lead the Diocese with clarity of vision, wisdom, courage and perseverance as they discern God's times and seasons for His Church. Pray for good health, strength and protection over them and their family members. Pray that the work of the Diocese 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**

# Myanmar and Filipino Christmas Festivals (8 & 15 Dec 2019 respectively)

Pray for good weather, excellent team work and great organization of the various activities on these days, that our guests will experience Christ's love through the Christian community. Pray for enthusiastic response from those invited by their employers and friends, to come for these two events. Pray for those presenting the Christmas message to be powerfully anointed as they proclaim Christ boldly; that the hearts and minds of our guests will be opened to the truth of the gospel and they will receive Christ's priceless gift of eternal life.

#### **Baptism of New Believers**

Thank God for the 33 candidates who were baptised on 30 November. Pray that they will continue to draw near to God through the practice of spiritual disciplines and be empowered by His Spirit to live out the gospel daily as faithful and obedient disciples of Christ

### The Bicentennial Christmas Carol Services (12 & 13 Dec)

Pray for good planning and organising of the Bicentennial Christmas Carol Services; that God will richly supply all the resources we need. Pray for His presence to fill the Nave as we gather to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus and the hope He brings to all who will receive Him.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Annie Dang, Marjorie Lau, Nancy Li, Barbara Rayney, Joy Brett, Doris Proctor, Ana Pelaez and Lim Soon Chye.

Members who know them are encouraged to visit and pray with them.



### **I** The Cathedral Podcast

Listen to episodes at cathedral.org.sg/podcast

#### MAID IN SINGAPORE

10.00 am ACTS Centre

West Coast Recreation Centre

My Saviour's Church

Mr Louis Leong

Nearly a quarter-million maids work in Singapore. James Quek helps us look deeper at this social and economic reality to see the lives of these women, and what we can do to honour their humanity and work.



SATURDAY 4.30 pm	Y SERVICE 30 NOVEMBER Baptism Service CNS Revd Calvin Wee	SATURDAY 4.30 pm	Y SERVICE 7 DECEMBER Contemporary Service CNS Vicar Terry Wong
SUNDAY SERVICE 1 DECEMBER		SUNDAY SERVICE 8 DECEMBER	
7.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Nave</i> Revd Peter Cook	7.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Nave</i> Revd Chua Wee Hian
8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Nave</i> Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay	8.00 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Nave</i> Canon Rinji Kwashi
9.00 am	Holy Communion CNS Bishop Rennis Ponniah	9.00 am	Contemporary Service CNS Vicar Terry Wong
9.00 am	<b>Tamil Service</b> Chapel for All Peoples	9.00 am	<b>Tamil Service</b> Chapel for All Peoples
9.30 am	Service in Mandarin Nave	9.30 am	Service in Mandarin Nave
11.15 am	Service in Mandarin CNS	11.15 am	Service in Mandarin CNS
11.15 am	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Nave</i> Revd Canon Dr Louis Tay	11.15 am	Holy Communion Nave Canon Rinji Kwashi
11.30 am	Contemporary Service Prayer Halls Mr Kenneth Ernest	11.30 am	Contemporary Service No Service
2.00 pm	<b>Filipino Service</b> <i>NT Hall</i> CG Sunday	2.00 pm	<b>Filipino Service</b> <i>NT Hall</i> Ps Carolina Alar
2.00 pm	<b>Myanmar Worship Service</b> <i>CNS</i> Revd Naw Ja	2.00 pm	Myanmar Worship Service CNS Christmas Celebration
2.30 pm	<b>Bahasa Indonesia Service</b> <i>South Transept Hall</i> Mr Victor Effendie	2.30 pm	<b>Bahasa Indonesia Service</b> South Transept Hall Mr Victor Effendie
2.30 pm	Service in Cantonese Nave	2.30 pm	Service in Cantonese Nave
4.30 pm	<b>Hokkien Service</b> <i>Prayer Halls</i> Revd Freddy Lim	4.30 pm	<b>Hokkien Service</b> <i>Prayer Halls</i> Revd Freddy Lim
5.00 pm	<b>Holy Communion</b> <i>Nave</i> Mr Caleb Brownhill	5.00 pm	<b>Evensong</b> <i>Nave</i> Revd Chua Wee Hian
5.00 pm	Service in Mandarin CNS	5.00 pm	Service in Mandarin CNS
EXTENSION CENTRES		SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRIES	
10.00 am	Westside Anglican Church Revd Bertram Cheong	4.30 pm	Saturday CITYKids Ministry Prayer Halls, B1
10.00 am	Jurong Anglican Church	8.00 am	Sunday School North & South Transept Halls
	Mandarin	9.00 am	Sunday School Enquire at CNS, B2
	West Coast Recreation Centre	9 30 am	Sunday School (Mandarin)

9.30 am 11.15 am

5.00 pm

Sunday School (Mandarin)

Enquire at North Transept Hall

Junior Cell South Transept Hall

Sunday School

# WEEKDAY SERVICES/MEETINGS

#### **MONDAY, 2 DECEMBER**

12.30 pm Mid-Day Prayer

Chapel for All Peoples

#### **TUESDAY, 3 DECEMBER**

7.30 am Clergy and Leaders

**Holy Communion** Prayer Halls

12.30 pm Mid-Day Prayer

Chapel for All Peoples

#### **WEDNESDAY, 4 DECEMBER**

7.30 am The Quiet Garden Meditation West House

12.30 pm Holy Communion Prayer Hall

#### **THURSDAY, 5 DECEMBER**

9.30 am Holy Communion

Chapel for All Peoples

12.30 pm Mid-Day Prayer

Chapel for All Peoples

#### **FRIDAY, 6 DECEMBER**

12.30 pm Mid-Day Prayer

Chapel for All Peoples

7.00 pm Young Adults' Ministry
"YA Connection"

#### **SATURDAY, 7 DECEMBER**

2.00 pm LYnC Youth Ministry

Chapel for All Peoples

2.30 pm Shalomkids Ministry Prayer Halls

(For children with autism)

### **COMING UP**

#### **DECEMBER 2019**

**3-6** 7am & 5pm Camp

8 Myanmar Christmas Festival

**15** Filipino Christmas Festival

**20-21** Drama Production @CNS

22 An Evening of Christmas Praise

24 Christmas Eve Holy Communion Service @Nave, 10.30pm

25 Christmas Day Holy Communion Service @Nave, 8am & 11.30am

25 Christmas Day Contemporary Service @CNS, 10am followed by Lunch

31 New Year Eve Covenant Service @ Nave, 10.30pm

#### **JANUARY 2020**

New Year's Day Service

4 The Quiet Garden Retreat

9 DCBS Course

10 Day DCBS Course

10-11 Leaders Conference

**16** DCBS Course

17 Day DCBS Course

LYNC YOUTH MINISTRY PRESENTS 2019'S

SAC Youth Comp

START 16



19
DECEMBER

NSRCC(NO. 19-21) Cost: \$60

Sign up by 13 Dec: tinyurl.com/sacyouthcamp19

## **BAPTISM**

We rejoice with these brothers and sisters who were baptised on Sat, 30 Nov 2019 at the 4.30pm Service.

Ang Kai Yi Joash
Ang Kwang Yong
Chan Lup Fai Dennis
Chan Rui Jia Ryka
Chan Rui Qi Ruby
Chan Ka Hong
Chan Ka Leong
Chua Lay Soon Esther
Ding Wei Yung Wayne
Ding Xuan Lei Celeste

Kartoyono Anita
Kok Yee Jiun Frances
Kong Yuet Cheng
Lee Huiwen
Lee Pei Yun
Leung, Shuk Ming Sophia
Lim Leong Choo Ivy
Lim Tai Leng Valerie
Lim Yeow Chong
Lin Yingying
Mak Yuen Wah Samuel

Park Sun Ae
Phua Li Pheng
Phua Meow Inn Sophia
Seah Chee Wei (Xie Zhiwei) Jeffrey
Sim Boon Chuan Murphy
Tan Wang Ching
Tan Yoke Leng
Teo Yee Khai William
Toh Yew Lee Ernest
Woo Lik Ling Valerie
Yap Yi Ching Debbie

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Goh Chang Gui, Jasmine Elisabeth

Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The Paschal Triduum ("three days") begins on the evening of Maundy Thursday and lasts until evening on Easter Sunday. It includes:

Maundy Thursday (commemorating the institution of the Eucharist at the Last Supper and Christ's washing of the disciples' feet); Good Friday (a commemoration of the Crucifixion); Holy Saturday (remembering Christ's time in the tomb); and Easter Sunday, which celebrates the triumphal Resurrection of Christ from the dead.

**Easter** — then lasts for fifty days — first for forty days until the remembrance of Christ's Ascension to the Father's right hand (Acts 1:1-11), and then for ten more days until the commemoration of the Holy Spirit's descent at Pentecost (Acts 2:1-41). This season emphasises the typological fulfillment of the feasts of Unleavened Bread and Weeks in the Christian celebrations of Easter Sunday and Pentecost.

"Ordinary" Time: The Season after Pentecost

— The time between Trinity Sunday (the Sunday
after Pentecost, focusing upon the Tribune
identity of God) and Christ the King Sunday
(the Sunday before Advent, proclaiming Christ's
Lordship)—from approximately June through
November—is called the Season after Pentecost,
or Ordinary (numbered) Time.

This remainder of the liturgical year is "the time in which the church is to live out its calling in the world, fulfilling the mission of God". Instructed in the school of sacred time, Christians go forth to love and serve the broken world which God has invaded, and over which He triumphs.

#### **DONATION FOR FLOWERS TODAY**

These are received in memory of Madam Foo Ai Lin.

#### **CATHEDRAL CLOSED**

The Cathedral will be closed on Friday, 13 December 2019 in preparation for the Bicentennial Christmas Carol Service on that evening.

#### **2019 FINANCES**

As we approach the end of another year, our finances are in deficit in relation to our approved budget. Do remain faithful in your giving (tithing, pledges, offerings etc) so that we can meet our obligations internally and the needs of missions, as planned, before the year ends. We give as unto the Lord to the Church we love and to the work of missions via her leadership, trusting that they will prayerfully make the right call.

#### **CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

## Saturday 21 Dec, 11.15am at Ban Heng Orchard Central

Join us this Christmas for lunch. Good food (Chinese 8-course sit-down meal). Good atmosphere (the real meaning of Christmas plus games with prizes). Full details and ticket information (\$20 for Christians, \$15 for children aged 4 – 12, \$10 for non-Christian guests – maximum of 2 guests per Christian) available at your Information Desk. Organised by the 7am Service.

# CHRISTMA

AT THE CATHEDRAL 2019

Come and invite your friends to experience the spirit of Christmas with us this December

DEC 19 - 21 THU - SAT. 12 PM @ THE CATHEDRAL CAFE

### **Noontime Christmas Performances**

DEC 20 - 21 FRI - SAT, 5.30 PM

Christmas Market @ Pavilion

SPECIALLY CURATED FOOD, DRINKS AND WONDERFUL ACTIVITIES

DEC 20 - 21 FRI - SAT. 7 PM @ CNS

"Love Meets You Where You Are"

A LOVE-FILLED DRAMA BASED ON TRUE STORIES WITH TALK BY DR LESLIE TAY (IEATISHOOTIPOST)

DEC 22 SUN. 7.30 PM @ NAVE

An Evening of Christmas Praise
WITH FRICILIA MIXED CHOIR AND THE DE LANEROLLE BROTHERS

DEC 24 TUE 10.30 PM @ NAVE

**Christmas Eve Holy Communion Service** 

DEC 25 WED 8 & 11:30 AM @ NAVE

**Christmas Day Holy Communion Services** 

DEC 25 WED 10 AM @ CNS

"Ready or Not - The King is Coming" CHRISTMAS EVANGELISTIC SERVICE

ALL ARE WELCOME.

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT cathedral.org.sq/christmas



Get your tickets at sac-christmas2019. eventbrite.sg for \$10









with the Sidney Sussex Choir, led by Dr David Skinner and the Singapore Church Combined Choir, led by Dr Peter Low.

# 12 DECEMBER 2019 ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL Organ preludes start at 6.45 | Service at 7.15 pm

The response to the Bicentennial Christmas Carol Service has been very good and all tickets have been snapped up. If you were unable to get tickets for the 12th December Service, we are preparing good overflow facilities at the CNS and Prayer Halls in terms of visual and audio. There are a total of almost 1000 seats, and we invite you to join us there. Please be seated by 6.45 pm.

#### SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT. 2020-2022

This Project aims to repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's historic building that have succumbed to environmental wear and tear. The Restoration Works will involve re-plastering and re-painting of interior and exterior walls, timber carpentry, stone works, metal works, electrical works, plumbing and roof works. The Project is expected to take 3 years. Its cost of \$6million will be paid out from the Cathedral Heritage Fund (CHF) set up to fund this Project as well as future heritage and building works.



#### **HOW TO GIVE**

**Cash** - Use the "Heritage Fund" envelope and drop your cash into the Heritage Fund donation box or offertory bags

**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

#### The CHF, as of 18 Nov 2019:

From English Congregation: \$1.2m
From Mandarin Congregation: \$1.2m
Grant from Preservation of
Sites & Monuments Board: \$0.98m
Donations pledged/received
from SAC members/friends: \$0.85m

Balance to be raised: \$1.77m For enquires, please write to Vivien Chen at heritagefund@cathedral.org.sg

### We warmly welcome you to St Andrew's Cathedral

Please complete and return this portion to the ushers	or the Info Desk, or simply drop it into an offering bag.			
Your Name :				
Sex : F/M Age: ☐ 12-18 ☐ 19-25 ☐ 26-44 ☐ 45-64 ☐ 65+ Service attended:				
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☐ I am a visitor. I would like to be contacted. ☐ I wish to attend an Alpha Course. ☐ I wish to be a member of St Andrew's Cathedral.	☐ I wish to know more about Christianity. ☐ I wish to join a Connect group. ☐ Others:			





