



*Ash Wednesday Service*



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

## WELCOME

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.

### PRAYER & MINISTRY

If you would like to talk to someone or receive prayer ministry, in most Services this is offered either during or after a Service. Note the following:

<b>Sat 4.30pm</b>	In Service
<b>8.00am</b>	After Service at prayer table
<b>9.00am</b>	In Service
<b>11.15am</b>	After Service at communion rails
<b>eleven.30</b>	In Service

### 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

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

**Deaconesses** Ds Bessie Lee, Ds June Tan

## 7/8 MARCH 2020

### COLLECT FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### COLLECT FOR 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

### LECTIONARY READINGS

**Genesis 12:1-4;**

**Romans 4:1-5, 13-17**

**John 3:1-17**

### HYMNS

**8.00am:** CP475; CP383; CP368; CP390

**11.15am:** CP475; CP383; CP368; CP390

**5.00pm:** HP2; All To Jesus I Surrender;  
Blessed Be The Lord God Almighty;  
Reign King Jesus Reign; Holy Holy Holy  
Is The Lord God of Hosts; Be Still; The  
Power Of The Cross

2020 year of  
**DISCIPLESHIP**  
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# 危机 THE OPPORTUNITIES in times of Crisis?

While the Covid19 fatality rates may be low, it has caused a severe crisis and disruption in many sectors of society. And as countries join the list of cases, this is being multiplied across the world. It is a very severe crisis. We know that many businesses are very badly hit.

U.S President John F. Kennedy employed this phrase in some of his campaign speeches: "In the Chinese language, the word "crisis" is composed of two characters, one representing danger and the other, opportunity." This idea became mainstream in the Western world in the 20th century and I am sure some of you would have heard or even employed this idea.

However, Chinese linguists and etymologists will disagree with this idea and explain that it was a mistranslation. This said, one reason why this idea may persist is because of one's anecdotal observation of life. Or simply, it has moral value and power to encourage listeners during times of adversity.

We did a lot of look-back during our Bicentennial last year. Taking our war years as an example, many opportunities arose from those 4 years of Japanese occupation which had a far reaching impact on the destiny of our church and nation. The cross-denomination solidarity within churches here would not have been the same without an ecumenical theological school like Trinity Theological College, which funnels many of our pastors and theologians. The idea for such a school was seeded in Changi Prison as church leaders were incarcerated and hobbled together during that period. And of course, the defeat of the British here and elsewhere in Asia signalled a post-colonial era of political independence. Out of the ashes, Singapore has succeeded quickly and brilliantly.

Even if the use of this idea as from a linguistic illustration is untrue, is it biblical? A book which spans a few millennia of human history will surely contain many accounts of "opportunities in crisis" and indeed that is so. The story of Joseph is littered with many turn-arounds. Joseph himself represented the story of how a life that was cast aside could, in times of crisis, find a larger significant and leadership voice. Or take the life of Jacob. He used many crises to advance his destiny, and his life in some way also represents that of the people of God.

More than anything else, a trust in God's sovereignty and control over our lives and human history can give us a different perspective towards setbacks as we believe that "all things work for good to those who love Him" (Romans 8:28).

If we think about the Cathedral, we can easily observe what lower attendances may result in; in terms of lost ministry opportunities and possible challenge to our financial health. In the midst of this, we have started new initiatives. As we live-stream our 8 am Service, a new channel is created for our worship service to reach out to many more, beyond those seated in the Nave. We have become more conscious of the need to upscale our approach to teaching through better use of video and online tools. The new App has seen a significant increase in the use of SAC resources. Literally it is a season to "think out of the box." Dots are being joined which are connecting SAC members to gifts and voices across our Cathedral and beyond this, to a wider world. Indeed, paraphrasing Isaiah 55:11, His Word that goes out from our mouths shall not return empty but accomplish that which He has purposed. Amen.

Personally, each of us are facing various challenges as well. Those with businesses and companies will be facing complex challenges. It can be a very stressful and depressing time for some. Let's continue to pray for one another. May the Lord give you wisdom and strength to find new opportunities in your crisis.



# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

## THE WORLD

### Locust Invasion in East Africa

Billions of desert locusts have invaded 6 countries in East Africa, devouring crops. This is the worst locust invasion in 70 years for Kenya and in 25 years for Somalia and Ethiopia. The locusts threaten food security as a small swarm covering one sq. km can eat the same quantity of food in one day as 35,000 people. The locusts reproduce rapidly under the right weather conditions and could multiply 500 times in the next six months. Pray for God's merciful intervention to stop the multiplication of the locusts and to avert a food crisis in East Africa. Pray for the governments of affected countries to deal effectively with the locust invasion, to protect crops and the livelihoods of their people. Pray for international aid to help fight the locusts.

### Covid19

Pray for governments around the world to be adequately equipped to battle the Covid19 virus which is fast spreading, to many countries; that medical aid and resources will be given to the countries in need of it. Pray for God's merciful intervention to contain and stop the spread of the virus.

## SINGAPORE

### Bi-lateral relations with Malaysia

Pray that tensions between Singapore and Malaysia over the issue of water and suspension of the high speed rail project, will be eased; that through peaceful negotiations a good resolution will be reached. Pray for good bi-lateral relations between us; for peaceful co-existence and cooperation that will benefit both countries.

### The Church in Singapore

Pray that in the midst of challenges posed by Covid19, the Church in Singapore will live out our faith in practice, in humble-boldness and confidence in God; that we will have godly wisdom for every decision that is to be made; we will honor and support those in authority and be His messengers of faith, hope and love.

## DIOCESE

### Chapel of the Resurrection

Pray that the Lord will strengthen the clergy and church leaders physically, renew them spiritually and grant them sensitivity to the leading of His Holy Spirit, as they dedicate themselves to His service and to the building of the Body of Christ in C.O.R. Pray that members will be rooted in God's Word and in sound doctrine; that they will actively support the church leaders in prayer and in the work of the ministry.

## CATHEDRAL

### Season of Lent

Pray that Cathedral members will observe the season of Lent with intentionality; in setting aside more time for personal reflection and self-examination, we will re-order our values and priorities in line with God's word; we will keep our eyes firmly fixed on the cross where Jesus paid the price for our redemption and submit to His perfect will for our lives.

### Re-opening of Sunday Schools

Pray that teachers will trust in God as they step up to teach Sunday School in the midst of Covid19; that parents will set an example to their children by encouraging them to come for Sunday School to hear and learn God's word, amid their concerns and anxieties for the health of their children; that children will hunger and thirst for God's word as they resume Sunday School after a 4 week break; that God will put a hedge of protection around every child, teacher and their family members.

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Annie Dang, Marjorie Lau, Nancy Li, Barbara Rayney, Joy Brett, Doris Proctor, Ana Pelaez, Rachel Liew Lah Ket and Lim Soon Chye.  
Members who know them are encouraged to visit and pray with them.

**SATURDAY SERVICE 7 MARCH**

**4.30 pm Contemporary Service CNS**  
Vicar Terry Wong

**SUNDAY SERVICE 8 MARCH**

**7.00 am Holy Communion Nave**  
Ds June Tan

**8.00 am Holy Communion Nave**  
Vicar Terry Wong

**9.00 am Contemporary Service CNS**  
Revd Hambali Leonardi

**9.00 am Tamil Service**  
*Chapel for All Peoples*

**9.30 am Service in Mandarin Nave**

**11.15 am Service in Mandarin CNS**

**11.15 am Holy Communion Nave**  
Vicar Terry Wong

**11.30 am Contemporary Service**  
*Prayer Halls*  
Mr Keith Leong

**2.00 pm Filipino Service NT Hall**  
Ps Grace Tan

**2.00 pm Myanmar Worship Service CNS**  
Revd Moses Israeli

**2.30 pm Bahasa Indonesia Service**  
*Classroom A*  
Canon Louis Tay

**2.30 pm Service in Cantonese Nave**

**4.30 pm Hokkien Alpha Prayer Halls**  
Revd Freddy Lim

**5.00 pm Evensong Nave**  
Ds June Tan

**5.00 pm Service in Mandarin CNS**

**EXTENSION CENTRES**

**10.00 am Westside Anglican Church**  
Revd Bertram Cheong

**10.00 am Jurong Anglican Church**  
**Mandarin**  
*Bestway Centre*

**SATURDAY SERVICE 14 MARCH**

**4.30 pm Contemporary Service CNS**  
Revd Peter Cook

**SUNDAY SERVICE 15 MARCH**

**7.00 am Holy Communion Nave**  
Canon Rinji Kwashi

**8.00 am Holy Communion Nave**  
Revd Peter Cook

**9.00 am Holy Communion CNS**  
Bishop Rennis Ponniah

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL MINISTRIES**

**4.30 pm Saturday CITYKids Ministry**  
*Prayer Halls, B1*

**8.00 am Sunday School**  
*North & South Transept Halls*

**9.00 am Sunday School Enquire at CNS, B2**

**9.30 am Sunday School (Mandarin)**

**11.15 am Sunday School**  
*Enquire at North Transept Hall*  
**Junior Cell South Transept Hall**

**Live- Streaming of the 8am Service**

Members who stay at home during this Covid-19 outbreak,  
are encouraged to join in the Sunday Services conducted at the Cathedral at 8am.

To join in, please log on to [cathedral.org.sg/8amlive](https://cathedral.org.sg/8amlive)

# WEEKDAY

## SERVICES/MEETINGS

### MONDAY, 9 MARCH

12.00 pm Mid-Day Prayer *Nave*

### TUESDAY, 10 MARCH

7.30 am Clergy and Leaders  
Holy Communion *Nave*

12.00 pm Mid-Day Prayer *Nave*

### WEDNESDAY, 11 MARCH

7.30 am The Quiet Garden Meditation  
*West House*

12.30 pm Holy Communion *Nave*

### THURSDAY, 12 MARCH

9.30 am Holy Communion  
*Nave*

12.00 pm Mid-Day Prayer *Nave*

### FRIDAY, 13 MARCH

12.00 pm Mid-Day Prayer *Nave*  
7.00 pm Young Adults' Ministry  
*Chapel for All Peoples*  
A love to be guarded

## MID-DAY PRAYER 12.00PM

St Andrew's Cathedral, Nave

MONDAY - FRIDAY

(excluding Wednesdays and Public Holidays)

# COMING UP

## MARCH 2020

- 10 Marriage Preparation Course  
Emotionally Healthy Woman
- 11 Alpha Lunchtime
- 15 Dedication of the Pavilion
- 17 Marriage Preparation Course  
Emotionally Healthy Woman
- 17-20 Clergy & Family Retreat
- 18 Alpha Lunchtime
- 24 Emotionally Healthy Woman
- 25 Alpha Lunchtime

## APRIL 2020

- 1 Lent Desert Retreat
- 4 The Quiet Garden Retreat
- 5 Palm Sunday
- 7 Emotionally Healthy Seminar
- 8 The Marriage Course
- 9 Maundy Thursday
- 10 Good Friday
- 11 Easter Vigil/Eve Memorial
- 12 Easter Sunday
- 14 Emotionally Healthy Spirituality 1-2

## PRAYER & PRAISE

Tuesday 31 March 2020  
7.14pm, Pavilion



## A BIG THANK YOU

The SERVERs from St Andrew's Cathedral raised a total of \$3,108 for their mission trip to Nepal. This money will be given to the Deanery of Nepal, as the mission trip has been cancelled due to COVID-19. Thank you for your generous contributions.

## ALPHA LUNCHTIME

Wed 19 Feb - 29 Apr 2020

12pm, Lunch provided

Chapel for All Peoples

Alpha

# PSALM 91 OVERCOMING COVID-19 FEAR

Psalms 91 gives us great assurances for God's protection and deliverance.

Who are these assurances given to? How are they to be claimed for oneself and one's loved ones?

Do these promises mean that the Christian will never be afflicted with a disease? How can we stand unafraid and serve others compassionately in this time of calamity?

Our bishop, the Right Reverend Rennis Ponniah will speak on this Psalm at the **9am Service on 15 March 2020**. Come and hear God's word and bring a friend along.

The 9am Service at the Cathedral will be live-streamed, so you, your family and small groups can also hear the message on [cathedral.org.sg/9amlive](https://cathedral.org.sg/9amlive).

## CHILDREN MINISTRIES

Shalomkids, Citykids, 8am, 9am, 11.15am Sunday Schools and 5pm Junior Cell will resume classes on 14/15 March 2020.

As part of **PraySingapore@12**, the bells at St Andrew's Cathedral will ring every day at NOON. A signal for Christians to PAUSE AND PRAY. We fix Our Eyes on God. We raise Our Cry for Singapore. Will you chime in? Set your phone alarm to ring @12. Be part of the moment.

Prayer Prompter:

[cathedral.org.sg/prayat12](https://cathedral.org.sg/prayat12)



## SERVICE FOR THE DEDICATION OF THE PAVILION

The construction of the Pavilion on the North Lawn of the Cathedral was completed in December 2019. This ground level facility of 575 square metres provides the Cathedral with the much needed space for communal activities and fellowship gatherings (eg. receptions for the various Services and weddings).

A Service will be conducted to thank God for this gift and to dedicate the Pavilion to the glory of God. This will be held at **12.45pm, next Sunday, 15 March 2020**. All members and friends of the Cathedral are warmly invited to attend.

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

St Andrew's Cathedral has a vacancy for the post of **HR Executive**. The successful applicant will provide administrative support to the HR function in the Church, as well as form part of the team providing secretarial/administrative support to the various boards and committees.

**CITY Community Services** is a community service of St Andrew's Cathedral, and a member of Singapore Anglican Community Services. CITY runs a befriending and mentoring programme in 10 primary schools. We are looking for full-time staff to strengthen our Befrienders team. Part-timers and temps are also welcome to apply.

Please send your resume in MS Word or PDF format to [hr@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:hr@cathedral.org.sg).

**Closing date: 31 March 2020**

Full details for all positions are posted on the notice board, and on the Cathedral website [www.cathedral.org.sg](https://www.cathedral.org.sg)



# GIVING TITHES & OFFERINGS



**Christian giving is an expression of our thankfulness and praise to God.**

*He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?* Romans 8:32

We employ time and talent, including our tithes and financial offerings, in faithful and cheerful response to God who loves us and who gave Himself for us.

**Your pledges and regular givings to St Andrew's Cathedral are important.**

All givings to St Andrew's Cathedral are used to support the ministries of our church as well as work of the wider body of Christ in the world. They enable our church to carry out her mission according to budget plan, as well as to respond to the needs around us.

**Methods by which you may give towards the work of the Cathedral.**

This information can also be found at [cathedral.org.sg/giving](http://cathedral.org.sg/giving).

## ON-LINE BANKING

**For tithes and general offerings**

### • 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

You may indicate the Service you attend and/or Tithing number (if any) under remarks or reference.

**For SAC Restoration Works Project (Cathedral Heritage Fund)**

### • Internet Banking

Account Name: St Andrew's Cathedral

Account Number: DBS Autosave 033-019550-8

### • PayNow

PayNow Name: St Andrew's Cathedral – A/C 2

UEN: T08CC4055LHF1

**For other specific donations (eg. Welfare, Missions, etc)**

Please contact

email: [finance@cathedral.org.sg](mailto:finance@cathedral.org.sg)

for instructions for on-line bank transfers.

Receipts will not be issued for on-line givings.

## CHEQUES

**For tithes and general offerings**

### • Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"

On the reverse side of the cheque:

You may indicate your Tithing number (if any).

**For specific donations**

### • Pay to: "St Andrew's Cathedral"

On the reverse side of the cheque:

Please indicate the purpose of your donation

eg. Restoration Works, Welfare, Missions, etc.

If you would like a receipt, please write your name and mailing address.

Cheques can be mailed to

St Andrew's Cathedral,

11 St Andrew's Road, Singapore 178959

or dropped into the Service Offertory Boxes.

## CASH

**For tithes and general offerings**

Please place them in your tithe envelopes and drop the envelopes into the Service Offertory Boxes, or simply drop the cash into the Service Offertory Boxes.

**For specific donations (eg. Restoration Works, Welfare, Missions, etc)**

Place cash in envelopes and indicate the purpose of your donation

eg. Restoration Works, Welfare, Missions, etc.

If you would like a receipt, please provide your name and mailing address.

For more information, please visit [cathedral.org.sg/giving](http://cathedral.org.sg/giving) or phone 63376104 ext 139.

## 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 1 March 2020:

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:	\$1.14m
<b>Balance to be raised:</b>	<b>\$1.48m</b>

Please visit [cathedral.org.sg/chf](http://cathedral.org.sg/chf) for more details.

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## DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES

**Term 2 : 26 March to 6 June 2020**  
**Thursdays, 7.30pm – 9.30pm @ SAC**

### Module 5 The Minor Prophets

Instructors : Rev Edwin Tan, Ds June Tan,  
Ps Ti Lian Swan, Ps Grace Tan, Mr James Tan

### Module 13 Non-Pauline Epistles

Instructors : Ps Ti Lian Swan,  
Mrs Michelle Tan, Mr James Tan



Register at [cathedral.org.sg/dcbs](http://cathedral.org.sg/dcbs)

Course Fees : \$10 per module;  
\$5 for written examination

For more details, please refer to our  
website: [cathedral.org.sg/dcbs](http://cathedral.org.sg/dcbs)

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ (HP) Email: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I am a visitor. I would like to be contacted.

☐ I wish to know more about Christianity.

☐ I wish to attend an Alpha Course.

☐ I wish to join a Connect group.

☐ I wish to be a member of St Andrew's Cathedral.

☐ Others : \_\_\_\_\_



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