

Hospitality ministry beefing up their repertoire with online cooking classes conducted by Linda Nq.

5 JULY 2020

COLLECT FOR FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

LECTIONARY READINGS

Genesis 24: 34-38 Romans 7:15-25

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

CHURCH ONLINE

We invite you and your family to worship the Lord with us online.

Join us by clicking on these links:

English Service

(every Sunday from 7am)

Mandarin Online Service



Bishop of Singapore and Dean The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah **Vicar** Revd Canon Terry Wong

Clergy Revd Canon Rinji Kwashi, 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

2020 AGM Reflections

This is an excerpt of the Vicar's Address

Please read through the substantial Annual Report to get a good sense of the life and ministry in SAC for 2019.

We have been closed since the 19th of March. This is a historical first in our more than 150 years of history. We have been encouraged by the resilience of the SAC community in their commitment to the Lord, to the Church, to one another and to ministry and financial giving. We have experienced the effectiveness of our weekly online Services and weekday Sermons. Many of you have given good and helpful feedback. We have gotten to know our clergy and deaconesses better. Most of the Services have good community participation and have become acquainted with brothers and sisters from other Services. We have found new appreciation of the hymns and songs sung by our choirs and worship teams.

The initiative to get our community to share their stories is a brilliant one. Many personal stories were submitted by individuals in our Community. One can say, that our Courier Magazine is taking a different shape.

The Cathedral SG Live app has also

been a great blessing as a conduit for our sermons, podcasts and other resources. Daily at noon, many have been gathering for prayers. If you have been listening to our radio, you will find that the content is getting better all the time.

Worship is more than just singing or listening to sermons. It is also about "works" and serving. Because we have not been using the Holy Communion liturgy, we are missing this benediction, "Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. In the name of Christ. Amen." We want to thank those who have opened a way for us to serve our foreign workers, rough sleepers and seniors, especially those who are housebound.

I should also mention that many members have been serving on the frontlines – healthcare, social, security, politics – and in the words of St Paul in Ephesians, we pastors have been equipping you for ministry out there by being diligent in the priestly work of facilitating prayer and worship.

Phase 2 is here and gradually, we are reopening, beginning obviously with areas like Holy Communion, capped at 50 for each Service. As we restart. we also need to think of how we are running our weekend Services. Timings, service length and people density will obviously have to change. Density is related to space and we may have to enhance our facilities to improve social hygiene and church-going experience overall. We need to facilitate people movement. Our toilet facilities will improvement. We need to need think about serving young families, children and seniors. While we may freeze our Phase 2 building project, we can focus on restoration works and enhancements of our facilities.

The new PCC and sub-committees will have their work cut out for them for this AGM year. Please pray for us. I am mentioning these needs because we value your ideas and participation.

There are many gifts and resources in our SAC community and we want to hear from you.

The Greek root word for church is "ekklesia" which means the assembly of called out people. Down through the ages, the Church has faced all kinds of persecutions and challenges to prevent Christians from coming together, to "dechurch" the Church. We can say after a few months of COVID-19, and this is true throughout Singapore, the Church is still the Church, more than ever and the Cathedral community will emerge from this AGM year even stronger together.

Absence has made the heart grow fonder: I will quote St Paul from Phil 1:3: "I thank my God for every remembrance of you." I will end my address with a music video which best expresses all our feelings during this season.



28 JUNE 2020

We thank the Lord for blessing us with a smooth AGM on 28 June 2020. We received a total of 312 proxies from Electoral Roll members, with 245 Electoral Roll members & observers logging in to observe the meeting.

We also thank both Bishop Rennis and Bishop-Designate Ponniah Titus Chung for their presence and encouragement during the AGM.

At the AGM, the following results were announced:

- 1. Acceptance of the Audited Financial Statements and Treasurer's Report for Year Ended on 31 Dec 2019
- 2. Acceptance of the Annual Report for the Year Ended on 31 Dec 2019

- 3. Acceptance of the Proposed Budget for Year Ending on 31 Dec 2020
- 4. Acceptance of the Re-appointment of Baker Tilly TWF LLP as Auditor
- 5. The appointment of **Keith Chua** as Vicar's Warden
- 6. The election of the following: People's Warden for the term 2020 -2021

Joseph Thambiah

Synod Representatives for the term 2020 -2023

Chan Kheng Tek, Keith Chua, Stanley Lai, Joseph Thambiah

PCC Members for the term 2020 – 2021 Jonathen Chan Yik Seng, Dora Cheok Yiu Suan, Chin Min Yee, Karen Chua, Felicia Foong, Andrew Goh Kia Teck, Lau Choon Sam Patrick, Eric Lee Siew Pin, Lim Khong Jin Michael, Tan Hock Soon Adrias, Robin Tan, Andy Wong.

VICAR'S WARDEN



Keith Chua

PEOPLE'S WARDEN



Joseph Thambiah

SYNOD REPRESENTATIVES



Chan Kheng Tek



Keith Chua



Stanley Lai



Joseph Thambiah

PCC MEMBERS



Jonathen Chan



Patrick Lau



Dora Cheok



Eric Lee



Chin MIn Yee



Michael Lim



Karen Chua



Adrias Tan



Felicia

Foong

Robin Tan



Andrew Goh



Andy Wong

PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS



THE WORLD

Hong Kong

The Hong Kong national security law which had been the centre of violent protests, was signed into effect on 30 June by Chinese President Xi Jinping. The law which took immediate effect criminalises subversion and colluding with foreign forces. Pray for peace in Hong Kong and for an end to further violence which have rocked the city for most of 2019, causing disruptions to HK society and its economy. Pray also that tensions between China and countries which have raised concerns over the further erosion of HK's autonomy, will not threaten global security.

SINGAPORE

General Elections

Pray for a well- organised and orderly election process; that campaigning will be carried out in compliance with safe distancing and all precautions will be taken to avoid community transmission. Pray for the good health of all candidates, safety ambassadors and voters, especially the elderly and the vulnerable. Pray for the electorate to be divinely guided in their choice of the right candidate; for an elected government that is pro-active and well equipped to lead our nation through an ever challenging global economic, environmental and social landscape.

DIOCESE

Chapel of Christ the Redeemer

Pray for divine anointing and discernment to be upon the Vicar Victor Teo, priests and pastoral staff of the English and Chinese congregations, as they continue to shepherd the flock at Chapel of Christ the Redeemer through the new normal of church life and ministry, during this unprecedented season. Pray for the principal of St Hilda's Primary School Mrs Daphne Yeoh and the principal of St Hilda's Secondary School Mrs Janice Lim and their staff team; that they will be divine channels of wisdom as they impart knowledge, nurture young lives and raise up of future generations of godly men women who will be positive contributors to nation building and the advancement of the gospel.

CATHEDRAL

Alpha Course (8 July – 20 Sep)

Pray for good response to the upcoming online Alpha Course beginning 8 July; for good internet connections and clear reception of the videos that will be screened. Pray also for good rapport between small group leaders and their members; for active participation and fruitful discussions; for the Holy Spirit to bring conviction to the hearts of seekers as they listen to God's word that they may receive Christ into their lives.

Diocesan Certificate of Biblical Studies (beginning 9 July)

Pray for good planning, organisation and technical support as DCBS courses resume online; for God's anointing upon the instructors, administrative and support teams as they adapt to this new teaching environment. Pray for those who are not familiar with online devices to acquire new skills and for everyone to have a fruitful time of learning and growing deep in God's word.



Join us

for a chat with the Vicar, PCC and your Service pastors.

SATURDAY 4:30pm Service
"The Upper Room" 9.30am-11.00am
To Join, click HERE

SUNDAY 7 am Service

6.15 - 6.45am Pre-Service Prayer 8.20am to 9.30am Zoom Meeting To Join, click HERE

8 am & 11.15 am Services 10.30am to 11.15am To Join, click HERE

9 am Service 9.00am to 10.30am To Join, click **HERE**





We want to stay connected with you.

3 easy steps:

- Install WhatsApp
- 2 Save 8281 5916 on your contact list
- Send a WhatsApp message to 8281 5916 with the word, "subscribe"



FOR CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES (CWS)

These weekly Holy Communion Services will be said for up to 50 Cathedral members.

Each Service will be for an hour and they will be held in the Nave. Members may attend individually or in groups of not more than 5 each.

Sat: 11.30am in Mandarin : 4.30pm in English

Sun: 7.30am in English: 9.30am in Mandarin

11.30am in English
2.30pm in Mandarin
4.30pm in English

Wed: 12.30pm in English

Thu: 12.30pm in English

Fri : 10.30am in Mandarin

(wef 17 July)

In the interest of safety against Covid-19,

all worshippers (including their vehicles) are to arrive at the church premises not earlier than 30 minutes before the start of a Service, and leave the premises not later than 30 minutes after the end of a Service. Worshippers must be masked during the Services.

In this early Covid-19 Phase 2, Seniors (70 years and older)

are not yet encouraged to come to church to attend Services. They are advised to join in the Cathedral's weekly on-line Services. They can also contact the pastoral team of their Services to request for Holy Communion to be administered to them at home.

A special Diocesan on-line Communion Service will be held on 2 August 2020 (details will be available soon).

Members are encouraged to join one of these on-site Services not more than once a month.

This gives other members a chance to come to church to receive Holy Communion. The online Cathedral Services will continue in Phase 2.

Admission to these Services will be by tickets only, free of charge.

Please book your CWS tickets at https://cathedral.org.sg/page/cws or by phoning 63376104. For Services in Mandarin please call 63392435. Bookings for CWS will open at 1pm a week before the Service; they will close at 1pm a day before the Service.

Eg. Bookings for the 11.30am Service on Sunday, 12 July will open at 1.00pm on Sunday 5 July. They will close at 1pm on Saturday, 11 July.

Pedestrian and Vehicular Entry / Exit: Worshippers who are entering the church grounds on foot are to do so only at the MRT Gate (the pedestrian gate next to the Welcome Centre / Café) and leave by the same Gate.

Checks for Safe Entry, Temperature and Health will be conducted after the MRT Gate.



Worshippers who are driving into the church grounds are to do so only at the SRC Gate

(the vehicular gate facing the Singapore Recreation Centre) and leave by the Padang Gate.

For these worshippers, checks for Safe Entry, Temperature and Health will be conducted at the West Door of the Cathedral.

Entry into the Cathedral Nave for all worshippers will be at the Main Door of the Church

ie the West Door. The 2 doors leading into the North and South Transepts are for exit only.

FOR PRIVATE WORSHIP (PW)

All, including non-members of the Cathedral may enter the Nave for personal prayer. They may do this individually or in groups of not more than 5 each, and they must be masked at all times.

The Nave is available for PW from Tuesdays to Fridays, 10am to 4pm.

Each session is for 30 minutes, starting on the hour. Please phone 63376014 to book an appointment. Subject to the availability of space, walk-ins may be permitted.

All who come for PW will enter the church premises at the MRT Gate

(next to the Welcome Centre / Café). There will be no entry to vehicles; drivers are advised to park their cars in the carparks outside the cathedral.

If you need prayer or someone to talk to, please phone

The Listening Room

at 83879914, 10am - 6pm, daily.

The Cathedral is Closed on Mondays

DIOCESAN CERTIFICATE OF BIBLICAL STUDIES ONLINE



JUL - NOV THURS 7:30 PM - 9 PM

Module 6 The Writings I | 9 Jul - 3 Sep

OT: Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Job

Lecturers: Rev David Lee (COR), Ps Grace Tan (SAC), Ms Brenda Goh (SJSM)

9 THURSDAYS • EXAM: SAT, 12 SEP 2020

Register for Old Testament Module 6 >

Module 14 Revelation | 9 Jul - 24 Sep

NT: The Book of Revelation

Lecturers: Ps Stanley Tay (SJSM), Rev Canon Terry Wong (SAC)

12 THURSDAYS • EXAM: SAT, 21 NOV 2020

Register for New Testament Module 14 >



Registration is now open till 5 Jul 2020

Course Fees: \$10 per module; \$5 for examination (Payable online or via crossed cheque to St Andrew's Cathedral)

Full details at cathedral.org.sg/dcbs/



PRIMARY ONE REGISTRATION (PHASE 2B)

Notice for Registration for Primary One (Phase 2B) for children born between 2 January 2014 and 1 January 2015, and who are Singapore Citizens or Singapore Permanent Residents whose parents are confirmed Anglican Church members, are as follows:

In line with the measures announced by the Government to further enhance safe distancing measures and ensure minimal contact among the public, there will be no in-person registration at schools for the 2020 P1 registration.

Schools:

St Andrew's Junior (boys)

St Hilda's Primary (co-ed)

St Margaret's Primary (girls)

Foreign students are not eligible for Phase 2B.

Full details are available **HERE**

ONLINE MEMORIAL SERVICE

FOR REVD CANON MERVYN MOORE

> 5.00 PM 9 JULY 2020

The online memorial Service will be hosted via Zoom Webinar. To participate, please register at https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_4gHYBKPBRNioAk4z5zeyHQ

For further enquiries, please email Mabel Lim at mabellim@cathedral.org.sg or Revd Canon Terry Wong at terrywong@cathedral.org.sg



No matter what you are going through, you are not alone.

If you need a listening ear or prayer, call us at the **Listening Room: 83879914**. It is a safe space where trained volunteers will be here to listen and pray with you. Operating hours: 10am-6pm, daily.

UPCOMING EVENTS

26 JUL Making of Deaconesses

2 AUG Combined Online

Breaking of Bread Service

BAUG Virtual Synod

Integration of ACTS

Centre as My Saviour's

Church English Congregation

16 AUG Chapel of the Holy Spirit

40th Anniversary Service

23 AUG Ordination Service

30 AUG Thanksgiving and Handing

over of Bishop's Staff



Scripture Meditation & Silent Prayer

Join us for an hour of silent prayer and scripture meditation every Tuesday, 12noon to 1pm Click on the red arrow to join:



Online Retreat SEASONS & SOULSCAPE

Explore your soulscape through different seasons with meditations from the book of Ecclesiastes.

4 July 2020 9am to 12.30pm

To register, click on the link:

https://tinyurl.com/TQG-

Retreat-0720

Enquiries email:

priscillachua@cathedral.org.sg



https://cathedral.org.sg/podcast

PORNOGRAPHY



How can we understand this phenomenon, resist its allure and mitigate its effects? Raphael Zhang helps us with these questions and more.

SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT, 2020-2022



This Project aims repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's historic building succumbed have environmental wear and Restoration tear. The Works will involve re-plastering and repainting 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. The 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

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 22 June 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: \$1.33m

Balance to be raised: \$1.29m



loveyourneighbour

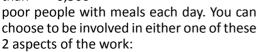
In this Covid-19 pandemic, various members and groups in the Cathedral have gone out of their way to bring tangible relief to others in their difficulty.

Please be encouraged to join us in serving the less fortunate in Singapore.

To enquire on or join in any of these #loveyourneighbour work, please email missions@cathedral.org.sg or phone 63376104 (leave a message and we will call you back).

HAPPY HANDS

Our volunteers serve at a local soup kitchen which provides more than 6,500



- 1. preparing the meals in the kitchen (washing, cutting, chopping, cooking and packing)
- 2. delivering the meals to the people Come join Happy Hands on these public holidays: 8.30am on 31 July and 10 August. Limited spaces. Register at tinyurl.com/



During the Circuit Breaker period, supporters and volunteers had provided and delivered fruits packs* and snacks/ care packs to an average of 7400

workers in up to 64 dormitories, weekly. In Phase 2, we provide weekly fruits packs to workers who are not yet able to leave their dormitories for work. This provision will continue until end July.



The expenses for the 11th week of our work (ie from 28 June) will be about \$16,500.

The BMW English Tuition Programme reaches Indian and Bangladeshi workers in their dormitories by providing online conversational English lessons. Each session is for 30 minutes and it is done

via WhatsApp video. An average speaker of English will be able to make use of the lesson plans and conduct the sessions from home. Volunteers, especially men are needed for this work.







LAZARUS MINISTRY

On Friday nights (8.30pm – 12midnight), On Friday nights (8.30pm – 12midnight), volunteers pair up to walk about the civic district (areas around the Cathedral) to befriend the homeless and to provide rough sleepers with help and support. This Ministry is also looking to organise itself to reach the lonely elderly living in HDB rental flats.

ACTS OF KINDNESS

Individuals from St Andrew's offer their time and resources to support professional social workers in their case work of caring for the needy. This support is for a fixed term and it is mostly in the form of supplying groceries or supplies vouchers to disadvantaged families and children at risk.

Enquiries and Registration (free of charge)

To enquire on the above or to join in this #loveyourneighbour work, please email missions@cathedral.org.sg or phone 63376104 (leave a message and we will call you back).

* If you would like to provide fruits packs for migrant workers in the dormitories, please give via:

- Cheque pay "ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL". (On the reverse side, write, "SAC-CRA Covid-19 Relief").
- PayNow (UEN): T08CC4055LT01. (For remarks, indicate "CRA CV19 Relief")

For receipt purposes, please let us have your email address or mobile number.





STAYING CONNECTED TO

EACH OTHER is especially important in these trying times. We would like to encourage all Connect Groups to continue meeting via **Zoom** (https://www.zoom.us/) or **Google Hangouts** (https://hangouts.google.com/) to pray together and encourage one

If you're not yet in a Connect Group, but would like to join one, do email us at connect@cathedral.org.sg

another.



SHARE YOR STORIES.

Bring encouragement to one another during this Covid-19 crisis. Read some of these stories HERE



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 OTHER SPECIFIC DONATIONS

(eg. Welfare, Missions, etc)

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 purpose of your donation (eg. Welfare, Missions, etc.) under remarks or reference. For donations with no indication, it will be treated as general offering. Please email finance@cathedral.org.sg if you require clarification.

Receipts will not be issued for on-line givings.

CHEQUES

• 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

For more information, please visit cathedral.org.sg/giving

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