



Receiving Holy Communion at the Congregational Worship Service (CWS)

# **12 JULY 2020** COLLECT FOR FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour 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 25: 19-34 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23



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 Acting Dean Revd Canon Dr Titus Chung 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

# THE VICAR WRITES



A lmost every meeting last week was an online meeting. Even though we are in Phase 2, we are not seeing a sharp rise in physical meetings.

Daily, I will be doing the recordings in the morning for the **Noon Prayer** which is aired through our Cathedral SG Live App. It is a daily discipline which I find helpful though at times, others will chime in.

Every **Tuesday morning**, our **bishops**, **clergy and deaconesses** will meet. As Bishop Rennis is on leave, Bishop Designate, Canon Titus has already started to lead. By the way, as of 1st of July, he is also the Acting Dean of the Cathedral. We met together for a time of Morning Prayer Service before we moved into break out rooms to review our parish and diocese. After that, some clergy met to discuss the planning for the Diocesan Online Holy Communion Service on 2nd August.

Every Wednesday morning, the SAC staff meet for devotion, personal sharing and prayer (breakout rooms), followed by a meeting to discuss operation matters, before the Senior Staff meet to discuss other issues. Various smaller meetings i.e. Service teams will meet, often to discuss the issue of pastoral care or administration of our Phase 2 Services.

Thursday is **"recording day"** for our Sunday Online Service at our "studio." Some may do their parts from home.

Last week, we held the **Online Memorial for Canon Mervyn Moore**. It was engaging and moving. Some participants were from overseas. **Online DCBS** also started with two courses involving over 300 participants. The Holy Spirit Seminar on Saturday is well attended. The Marriage Preparation Course has also started with 9 couples. We look forward to the start of the Online Baptism Course.

Onsite ministry is now focused on **home visitations** or **community outreach** to foreign workers, rough sleepers etc, involving both staff and lay. Some of our staff are also rostered to be present during private worship hours or to serve in the Congregational Worship Services. Those manning the Listening Room are always on standby and the team includes both staff and lay.

Ministry meetings involving our lay - i.e. PCC, Choir fellowship meetings, Connect groups etc - are often conducted on weekday evenings or weekends. We also have weddings, wakes and funeral services. The number of participants are restricted.

Sundays now include a visit onsite to host the **Congregational Worship Services**. We do our duty and will leave to allow the next team to come in as we seek to keep to guidelines from MCCY. The **Service Zoom Chats** are used to "mingle" and some of the sessions are well attended.

So, this is roughly the shape of the Cathedral ministry and communal life. I am sharing these to encourage us to consider participating in the "new normal". Meaningful engagement is less about forums and more to do with our willingness to be involved. Many have been blessed and I invite you to share in the blessings of communal and ministry life of the church.



# PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS



#### **THE WORLD**

#### Japan

The southwest of Japan was hit by torrential downpours and landslides since Saturday (4 Jul) killing at least 50 people and the death toll is expected to rise. Pray that rescue efforts which had been hampered by destroyed roads and bridges, will be successful in reaching those stranded by the flood. Pray that those who lost their loved ones and properties will be comforted and that timely assistance will be given to those affected by the devastation.

#### **SINGAPORE**

Pray that those elected to government will be able to quickly address the many pressing needs facing our nation. Pray for the creation of new jobs to sustain livelihoods and for effective measures to revive our ailing economy. Pray for local community transmissions to remain low and for our people to remain vigilant in complying with safe measures to protect the community.

#### DIOCESE

#### **Holy Trinity Church**

Pray for Ag Vicar Rt. Rev Low Jee King, priests and pastoral staff of Holy Trinity Church to be led by divine wisdom and to discern God's plans for His church. Pray for God's abundant provision to meet their every need, for growth and fruitfulness in the various ministries and for vibrant witness to the community; that God's Kingdom will continue to advance in the midst of these challenging times.

#### **Light of Christ Church**

Pray for the Vicar Revd William Tham, that he will have a dedicated and godly team of men and women who are passionate for God, serving alongside him. Pray for fresh anointing and vision to step out of the old mold and old ways of doing ministry, into the new things God is showing them. Pray that the church will remain faithful to their call to reach out to the communities around them and for opportunities to reconnect with residents and students in creative ways.

#### **CATHEDRAL**

# Befriending Migrant Workers' English Tuition Programme

Pray that God will bless this outreach to our Indian and Bangladeshi migrant workers; that through this programme they will be able to improve their proficiency in conversational English. Pray for God's wisdom and favour upon our teachers, that through this programme, bridges will be built and many migrant workers will find hope and salvation in Christ.

#### **Lazarus Ministry**

#### (Friday nights, 8.30pm – 12midnight)

Pray that God will open doors of opportunity for our ministry teams to befriend the homeless and the rough sleepers in the civic district; that God's compassion and love will shine through the teams as they care for those in need. Pray also for the team, as they widen this ministry to include outreach to the lonely elderly living in HDB rental flats.



# 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

5.00pm Service 5.00pm to 6.30 pm To Join, click HERE





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# 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 4.30pm	in Mandarin in English
Sun	: : :	7.30am 9.30am 11.30am 2.30pm 4.30pm	in English in Mandarin in English in Mandarin in English
Wed	:	12.30pm	in English
Thu	:	12.30pm	in English
Fri	:	10.30am (wef 17 July	in Mandarin ')

### 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 <u>https://</u> <u>cathedral.org.sg/page/cws</u> 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.

# 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



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.

# the making of **DEACONESSES**

# We rejoice with







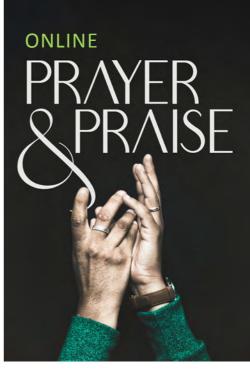
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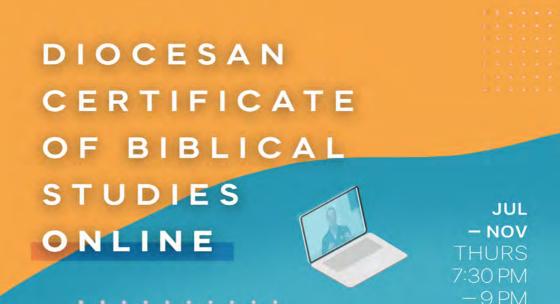
who will be made Deaconesses on Sun 26 July'20 5pm St Andrew's Cathedral

More details will be released soon.



SHARE YOR STORIES. Bring encouragement to one another during this Covid-19 crisis. Read some of these stories <u>HERE</u> 28 JULY 7.]4 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 22 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/



CALL TO PRAYER Please join us for daily prayers at the stroke of noon through the Cathedral SG Live App. This call to prayer will be repeated at 5pm and 11pm daily.

# 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 <u>HERE</u>



# 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:

# ALL ARE WELCOME



# 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.

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- 26 JUL Making of Deaconesses
- 2 AUG Combined Online Breaking of Bread Service
- 8 AUG Virtual Synod
- 9 AUB Integration of ACTS Centre as My Saviour's Church English Congregation
- 16 AUB Chapel of the Holy Spirit 40th Anniversary Service
- 23 AUG Ordination Service
- 30 AU6 Thanksgiving and Handing over of Bishop's Staff

## https://cathedral.org.sg/podcast

FRIENDSHIP We feel the loss through Covid-19. Soo Inn and Bernice of Graceworks help us understand why friendship is so essential.

# Alpha online

# **EXPLORE FAITH**

and ask any question in a safe and friendly environment.

# 8 July - 20 September Every Wednesday 7:45pm to 9:00pm

Venue: Zoom (We will email you the invitation link to join Zoom.)

> REGISTER <u>HERE</u>

www.cathedral.org.sg/alpha

Alpha

# Hoveyourneighbour

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



poor people with meals each day. You can choose to be involved in either one of these 2 aspects of the work:

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.

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The expenses for the 13th week of our work (i.e. from 12 July) will be \$8,000.

**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), 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 <u>missions@cathedral.org.sg</u> 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.

# SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT, 2020-2022



This Project aims to repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's building historic that succumbed have to environmental wear and The Restoration tear. 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 7 July 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:	\$1.34m
Balance to be raised:	\$1.28m



# FOR TITHES AND GENERAL OFFERINGS

## Internet Banking

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

### PayNow

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# FOR OTHER SPECIFIC DONATIONS

#### (eg. Welfare, Missions, etc) Internet Banking

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

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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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