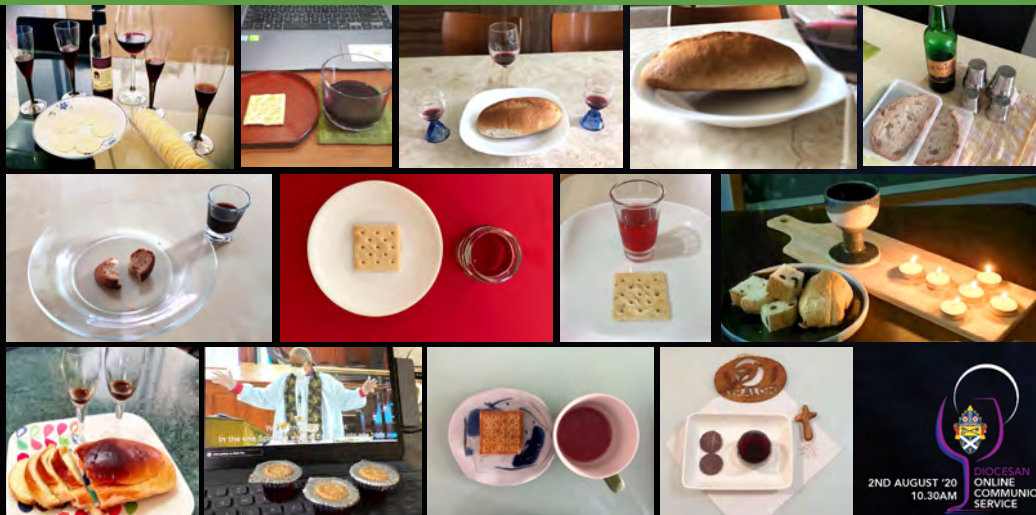




ST ANDREW'S CATHEDRAL

THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE

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Diocesan Online Holy Communion Service, 2 August 2020

9 AUGUST 2020

COLLECT FOR NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and the light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; 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

LECTIONARY READINGS

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Romans 10:5-15

Matthew 14:22-33

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](#)

2020 year of
DISCIPLESHIP
dig deep • walls down • bridges out

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, Ds Grace Tan, Ds Ti Lian Swan



A Communal Communion?

The dispensation from Bishop, which he mentioned in his sermon, was released on 28th July and we print it here below. I have written a Vicar Writes on the meaning of the Holy Communion which I hope you will take some time to reflect on.

We have received some good feedback on the experience of Holy Communion at home. One powerful aspect of the Lord's Supper is the communal experience of breaking bread and praying together, something which is difficult to achieve in our large Services. The Last Supper was conducted in the context of a communal meal for a small gathering and this continued in the life of the early church. Over the years, this has become a tightly guarded church practice, no

doubt cautioned by Paul's cautions (see 1 Corinthians 11:17ff) and to avoid superstitious practices. We would expect today's Singaporeans to be un-superstitious but alas, in some circles, it has become so. We can understand Bishop's and our clergy's cautious approach as expressed in this dispensation. That said, how we approach the practice of home communion depends a lot on our hearts and attitudes and it is a precious discipling moment as we take responsibility for our worship and fellowship with one another.

We appreciate your feedback and it is likely that SAC will consider another online Communion sometime in September. Pray with us.





Dispensation on the Forms of Administering Holy Communion

Based on the rationale and teaching presented in the paper on 'Holy Communion in COVID Conditions' (dated 4 July 2020), and aided by a Study paper by Bishop-Designate Canon Dr Titus Chung and team titled 'Proposal for the Breaking of Bread by a Church Community that is Connected by Electronic Means' (4 June 2020) which was discussed at various leadership platforms:

*We, the Bishop of Singapore, grant a Dispensation for parishes and congregations in the Archdeaconry of Singapore to practice one or more of the following three forms of administering Holy Communion during the period **2 August 2020 to 31 October 2020** to address the extraordinary situation posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.*

- 1. Holy Communion Service to a congregation that physically gathers in a manner that satisfies the safety standards specified by the national authorities for religious organisations.*
- 2. Holy Communion by extension from a common table, whereby Diocesan authorised persons distribute pre-consecrated elements to dispersed households or small groups at their respective locations using a simple worship liturgy.*
- 3. Holy Communion through an Online Service with Good Controls to a Congregation that is electronically present and connected. (See Section II.C of the Teaching paper dated 4 July 2020).*

May all things be done with faith and love, and in good order to exalt the Lord and strengthen His church for missions and ministry.

PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

We recall with gratitude God's blessings upon our nation as Singapore celebrates her 55th birthday today. We acknowledge God's sovereign hand upon us through the years of nation building and also at this present time when the world is engulfed in a pandemic which has disrupted lives and sent the global economy into a crisis.

We thank God that He had given our political forefathers the foresight to store up national reserves which we can now draw upon to tide us through the shakings of COVID19 which has threatened our lives and livelihoods. Thank God for Singapore's political stability and racial harmony which has enabled us to stand in solidarity and support one another in these trying times. Pray that we will be ever mindful of God's grace towards us and will continue to look to Him for divine providence to navigate us through the political and economic challenges ahead of us.

We repent and ask God's forgiveness for the things we have done that have grieved His heart. Pray that we will fear God and walk in His truth. Pray that Singapore will remain an oak of righteousness and will not succumb to external or internal pressures that threaten to de-rail her from her divine calling.

Bless our government leaders and pray for them by name. Pray that God will grant them wisdom, depth of insight, far sightedness, courage and strength to govern this nation in His ways and for His glory.

Mdm Halimah Yacob
President

Mr Lee Hsien Loong
Prime Minister

Mr Teo Chee Hean
Senior Minister & Coordinating Minister for National Security

Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam
Senior Minister & Coordinating Minister for Social Policies

Mr Heng Swee Keat
Deputy Prime Minister,
Coordinating Minister for Economic Policies & Minister for Finance

Dr Ng Eng Hen
Minister for Defence

Mr K Shanmugam
Minister for Home Affairs & Minister for Law

Dr Vivian Balakrishnan
Minister for Foreign Affairs

Mr Chan Chun Sing
Minister for Trade and Industry

Mr Ong Ye Kung
Minister for Transport

Mr Desmond Lee
Minister for National Development & Minister-in-charge of Social Services Integration

Ms Grace Fu
Minister for Sustainability & Environment

Mr Gan Kim Yong
Minister for Health

Mr S Iswaran
Minister for Communications & Information

Mr Masagos Zulkifli
Minister for Social & Family Development
2nd Minister for Health

Mr Lawrence Wong
Minister for Education & 2nd Minister For Finance

Mrs Josephine Teo
Minister for Manpower

Mr Edwin Tong
Minister for Culture, Community, & Youth
2nd Minister for Law

Ms Indranee Rajah
Minister, PMO
2nd Minister for Finance
2nd Minister for National Development

Dr Maliki Osman
Minister, PMO
2nd Minister for Foreign Affairs
2nd Minister for Education

Dr Tan See Leng
Minister, PMO
2nd Minister for Manpower
2nd Minister for Trade & Industry



ONLINE.
meetings

Join us

for a chat with the Vicar and
your Service pastors.

SUNDAY

7 am Service

6.15 - 6.45am Pre-Service Prayer

8.20am to 9.30am Zoom Meeting

To Join, click [HERE](#)

9 am Service 9.00am to 10.30am

To Join, click [HERE](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS

- 8 AUG** Virtual Synod
- 9 AUG** 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

HOPE+
STRONGER
TOGETHER
Share your story.

SHARE YOUR STORIES.
Bring encouragement to
one another during this Covid-19
crisis. Read some of
these stories [HERE](#)



Wef 4 JULY 2020

OUR CHURCH IS OPEN

FOR CONGREGATIONAL WORSHIP SERVICES (CWS)

These weekly Holy Communion Services are said for up to 50 Cathedral Worshippers.

Each Service will be for an hour and they will be held in the Nave. Worshippers 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
Wed	:	12.30pm	in English
Thu	:	12.30pm	in English

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.

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.

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.

There will not be on-site worship Services on Saturday (8 August) and Sunday (9 August).



FOR PRIVATE WORSHIP (PW)

Worshippers 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

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.

Safe Entry and Temperature checks 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, Safe Entry and Temperature checks will be conducted near the West Door of the Cathedral.

Entry into the Cathedral Nave is at the West Door (ie main door) of the Church.

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

We want to stay connected with you.



3 easy steps:

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

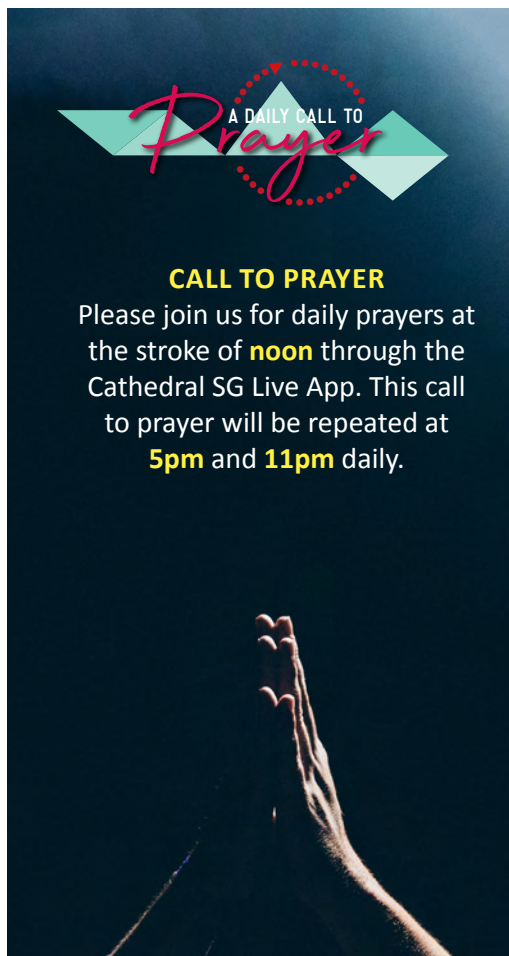


DAY OF HIS POWER 2020

A Call to All: Come Home to Love. God is love. The heart of the Gospel is love. The hallmark of the Church is love. The more excellent way is love. Love God. Love the Church. Love your Neighbour. Love Singapore.

**Premieres at 7.30pm on Friday
7 August**

- Youtube <http://youtube.com/LoveSingaporeOnline>
- Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/lovesingapore.org.sg>



ORDINATION SERVICE | 23 AUGUST 2020 | 5.00 PM



Revd Moses Saw with
Archbishop Stephen Than

Notice is hereby given that Saw Htoo Htoo Ray Mya (also known as Moses Israeli), having served as a Deacon in the Myanmar work in Singapore under our supervision, intends to offer himself a Candidate for the Holy Order of Priest within the limits of the Diocese of Yangon, the Province of Myanmar. The Archbishop of Myanmar, concurrently the Bishop of Yangon, the Most Reverend Stephen Than Myint Oo has approved that his ordination be conducted in Singapore under the auspices of the Right Reverend RENNIS S. PONNIAH, Bishop of Singapore. And if any person knows any just cause or impediment for which he ought not to be admitted into Holy Orders of the Priesthood he is now to declare the same or to signify the same to the Bishop of Singapore

BOOK OF ROMANS



The Letter to the Romans forms the apex of Paul's thought. Its majestic quality carries the reader above his or her mundane existence to the heights of contemplation (such as God's grand plan for our world), without losing touch with issues on the ground (such as the problems that still plague humanity). It has also played a formative role in the history of the Christian Church and started many revivals. Studying this letter will therefore be a beneficial undertaking for anyone wishing to find out more about God, God's ways and God's solution for the human condition.

Dialogue with the text and find out the answers to some of these real life struggles & issues.

**Dates : 10, 17, 24 Oct 2020
7, 14 Nov 2020**
Time: 10am – 11.30am

Profile of Instructor :



DR TAN KIM HUAT is the Chen Su Lan Professor of New Testament at Trinity Theological College, Singapore. Whenever he is not preaching, he is at True Way Presbyterian Church with his family.

Fee : S\$10 per participant
Registration details available [HERE](#)
Closing date of registration : 6 Oct 2020.

BAPTISM CLASSES

13, 20, 27 Sep and 4 Oct

BAPTISM SERVICE

10 and/or 11 Oct 2020

(all dates are subject to prevailing conditions and advisories from the relevant authorities)

More information available [HERE](#)

In view of the uncertainties of the pandemic, the Baptism Classes scheduled for 19 & 26 July and 2 & 16 August has been postponed together with the Baptism Service which was to be held on 22 August.

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. 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 3 August 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:	\$1.35m
Balance to be raised:	\$1.27m



The Quiet Garden 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



The Quiet Garden Online Retreat

**5 Sep 2020
9am - 12.30pm**

SEASONS & SOULSCAPE III

The theme for this half of the year is SEASONS with the focus on the book of Ecclesiastes. Our life is never mundane for we travel and see different landscapes. Our soul journeys with us through different soulscapes as well. Perhaps it's time to explore your soulscape through different seasons.

Meditation materials will be emailed to you and you are free to use your own materials.

To register, click on the link:

<https://tinyurl.com/TQGRetreat0920>

Enquiries email:

priscillachua@cathedral.org.sg



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

Project Completion Report:

RELIEF WORK TO MIGRANT WORKERS

At the start of the Circuit Breaker period, the Cathedral partnered Crisis Relief Alliance(CRA), to alleviate the pandemic situation in a number of the 110 factory-converted dormitories where migrant workers (mainly Indian and Bangladeshi) were being attended to by the CRA medical teams. With the financial support raised from members, we were able to provide each worker with a whole-fruits pack and snacks/care pack each week.

On 31 July, we completed this relief work of providing supplies to the dormitories.

Estimated cost of this project was \$200,000

Total actual cost for this work for 15 weeks amounts to \$209,993.60.

All contributions collected through the SAC-CRA Covid-19 Relief fund have been fully disbursed. This special account will soon be closed. We would like to thank all who contributed their funds, personally delivered the supplies to the dormitories and shared their efforts which made this relief work possible.

LAZARUS MINISTRY

The mission of the Lazarus Ministry is to bring hope, enable the destitute and homeless to return to their feet and rediscover their purpose in life through acts of kindness and the love of Christ. Lazarus Ministry is named as such to remind those



of us who are more well that we should never forget the needs of the poor at our doorstep.

From inception in late 2018, the Lazarus Ministry had been in contact with around 20 different rough sleepers including Singaporeans and migrant workers and has kept consistent contact with 7 of them and over various periods of time.

The small team of dedicated, and compassionate volunteers has been tirelessly plying the areas around St Andrew's Cathedral, befriending rough sleepers and journeying with those who are open to receiving help to improve their lives. We reach out by befriending, listening, and supplying physical provisions which all serve the deeper end of bringing of hope in Christ. It is through the transforming power of the love of God that a person would be truly be able to stand on his own two feet.

If you are interested to participate in this ministry, and the Cathedral's other works to reach the poor and needy in our community, please visit cathedral.org.sg/neighbour, or email missions@cathedral.org.sg.

GIVING TITHES & OFFERINGS

ON-LINE BANKING

CHEQUES

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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