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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](#)

[Hokkien Online Service](#)

LECTIONARY READINGS

Acts 2:14, 36-41

1 Peter 1:17-23

Luke 24:13-35

26 APRIL 2020

COLLECT FOR THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Almighty Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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



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



P A U S E

"It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables...." Acts 6:2

It has been a privilege to be able to preach consecutively on the two beautiful Easter accounts, the first involving Thomas and the other on the Journey to Emmaus. There is a flow in the lectionary in keeping with the liturgical season which can help us to enter more fully into the Gospel stories. You can also follow this more fully through Bishop Renniss' mid-week sermons.

One interesting outcome of the circuit breaker season is the simplification of life and work. Bishops and Vicars who are normally busy with management and leadership matters, can now focus on the ministry of the Word and Prayer. The church functions along with the society she is a part of, embracing the pace, high standards of management and financial processes. These often mean that it becomes unavoidable for the men of the cloth to spend considerable time on these issues.



Take the Easter period for example. If not for Covid 19, we will now be busy with preparing for AGM. And this means writing reports, ensuring the Phase 2 project is being updated and made ready for a second presentation to the body, ensuring that the new church budget is finalised etc. All these generate a train of work involving many parties, of which clergy often need to be involved and provide the needed leadership. I cannot imagine that myself or Bishop can spend this much time preparing well for the Easter sermons. I doubt that I will have the time to lead the daily noon prayer.

This season has been one huge pause button. We need to do a lot of prayerful reflection and deeper conversations on what church ministry means and what the Lord has called her to do and be. Reflect with us. Pray with us that we may find wisdom for a new season.

One interesting initiative which we are providing for this Sunday morning from 10.30 -11.30 am is a Zoom channel for prayer and ministry. If you would like to share your need with members of our pastoral and ministry teams and receive prayer, please join this room through this link [HERE](#).





PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

THE WORLD

United States of America

Covid19 has so far infected more than 2.4 million people globally and killed more than 165,000. The United States has more than 780,000 confirmed cases and more than 42,000 deaths (the most number of fatalities in the global pandemic). Pray for President Trump and his government to have divine wisdom as they continue with measures to contain the virus, amid protests across the country by those demanding an end to mandatory lockdowns and a quick re-opening of the economy. Pray that Americans will not divide but unite in a collective effort to stem out the virus.

Pray that all countries work together in the sharing of information and funding of research to find a vaccine for the virus; that there will be no suspicions cast nor allegations of mismanagement or cover up by the World Health Organization, that will undermine a global effort to deal with this pandemic.

SINGAPORE

Thank God for the government's strenuous efforts in closely monitoring the Covid19 situation in Singapore and for its surveillance programmes that enable it to carry out random tests in the community to identify cases that would have gone undetected. Pray for God's mercy upon Singapore, that with the extension of the circuit breaker period till 1 June and the introduction of more stringent measures, we can break the transmission and further reduce the number of cases in the community.

Pray that Singaporeans and residents will continue to put in the extra effort in safe

distancing and will stay home as much as possible, to protect the health and safety of our loved ones and to revive our economy. Thank God for the government's continued financial support to help employers pay staff salaries and the impact of business shut down, during the circuit breaker period.

DIOCESE

Clergy

Pray that in this time of enforced rest, pastors will receive divine revelation on how God wants them to pastor and lead His flock in the Year of Discipleship.

Deanery of Cambodia

Thank God for Revd Jesse Blaine's ministry in Anglican Church of Cambodia and for bringing the family safely to the U.S. Pray for Revd Gregory Whitaker who is returning on May 3 and for his family on April 26, that the flights are not cancelled.

Pray for the people to commune with God and with each other during online Worship Services; for pastoral care of the poor and needy among members and in the community; for God's protection over the staff who remain in Church of Christ Our Peace and who minister during this period. Pray for God's purposes in allowing this Cover-19 pandemic be fulfilled and for God's mercy in limiting the number of deaths and the economic fallout of Covid-19.

CATHEDRAL

Partnership with Crisis Relief Alliance

Thank God for the opportunity to serve the foreign worker communities in Singapore through our partnership with Crisis Relief Alliance (an NGO). Pray that God will richly supply the needed number of volunteer doctors, medical personnel and other manpower, to look after the health of our foreign workers, to provide them with a regular supply of fruits, masks, sanitisers and online programmes to keep them constructively engaged during the circuit breaker period. Pray that God's peace will rest upon each and every foreign worker and that He will keep their families back home safe and well.



#loveyourneighbour

Bringing Relief to Migrant Workers at the Dormitories

During this Covid-19 Circuit Breaker (CB), St Andrew's Cathedral (SAC) works with Crisis Relief Alliance (CRA) to bring help and hope to migrant workers.

CRA is a non-profit organisation registered in Singapore; it works to bring relief to communities in crisis especially in healthcare, humanitarian and essential services.

The work is in factory-converted dormitories, housing workers who are mainly Indian and Bangladeshi men. The CRA healthcare team of doctors and nurses, provides the medical support needed in the dormitories during this virus pandemic. Volunteers from the Cathedral serve in Distribution Teams to bring necessary supplies to the workers. For the CB period, now extended to 1 June 2020, SAC is committed to serving 3685 workers staying in 24 dormitories. If resources permit, we will consider helping with more dormitories which have been assigned to CRA by the Ministry of Manpower.

SAC's Distribution Team works to provide each worker with the following:

1. a whole fruits package per week
2. a snack pack (biscuits, dates, milo etc) per week
3. 2 reusable masks, sanitiser
4. wholesome electronic material/ programmes
5. a listening ear

You can join in this work by:

1. setting aside 4 hours a week to provide medical support at the dormitories.

You must be a healthcare personnel ie doctor or nurse.

2. forming a Distribution Team comprising 2 volunteers, one of whom is a driver (own vehicle).

This Team is on stand-by; ready to respond at short notice for delivery work to the dormitories.

3. funding this work which is estimated to cost \$200,000.

You can give via:

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

If you are interested in this work, please email missions@cathedral.org.sg or leave a message at 63376104 (we will call you back).



ONLINE meetings



Join us this Sunday for a chat with the Vicar, PCC and your Service pastors

8 am Service 9.30am to 10.15am

To Join, click [**HERE**](#)

11.15am Service 12.00pm to 12.45 pm

To Join, click [**HERE**](#)

PRAYER + MINISTRY

Prayer and Ministry via Zoom with Breakout rooms :

26 April Sunday
10.30am to 11.30am

This is open to anyone who would like prayer and ministry from our pastoral teams.

To join, click [**HERE**](#)

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"

online courses

Get into God's Word.

Take advantage of these FREE Bible courses to study at your own pace.



This study by Revd Peter Cook traces the call and commissioning of the prophet Ezekiel while he was exiled in Babylon; the visions that he received of the glory of the LORD; and the prophetic visions and oracles which he proclaimed to the exiles over the most turbulent years in the history of Jerusalem. But out of the ashes of destruction, there came messages of hope, restoration and of a new heart. ***'And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.'*** (Ezek 36:26 ESV)

Be blessed by a fresh glimpse into the heart of God as you learn lessons from the history of Israel.

[Lesson 1: Chapters 1 – 3](#)

Introduction and Background to the book of Ezekiel

[Lesson 2: Chapters 4 – 19](#)

Sin, judgement and the Covenant God

[Lesson 3: Chapters 20 – 39](#)

Disaster, Hope and the God of Renewal

[Lesson 4: Chapters 40 – 48](#)

A New Temple – and the God of a New Future

COURSES BY BIBLICAL GRADUATE SCHOOL OF THEOLOGY

Free audit for a limited period.

[RELIABILITY OF THE GOSPELS](#)

Lecturer: PROF CRAIG BLOMBERG

Why are Matthew, Mark and Luke so similar to each other and why is John so different from all three of them? Can we believe in the amazing miracles stories they contain, including a virgin birth and resurrection from the dead? These and related questions will be the focus of our investigation.

Sign up at bgst.edu.sg/course/107

[BIBLICAL ARCHAEOLOGY AND THE NEW TESTAMENT](#)

Lecturer: REV DR LIM KAR YONG

Embark on an unforgettable journey to various archaeological sites through visual presentations and examine with Dr Lim Kar Yong, various inscriptions, numismatics, buildings, and other artifacts related to the New Testament.

Sign up at bgst.edu.sg/course/75

TEACHING RESOURCE

[UNDER THE WINGS OF GOD](#)

Lessons from Ruth for Troubled Times

This series will provide six videos, accompanied by a student's guide to facilitate learning and reflection.

Please register at

bit.ly/underthewingsofGod

**2 AVENUES FOR MEMBERS
OF ST ANDREW'S
CATHEDRAL TO BRING
ENCOURAGEMENT
TO ONE ANOTHER IN
OUR CHURCH, AS WELL
AS TO ALL OTHERS,
DURING THIS COVID-19
CRISIS.**

HOPE+
**STRONGER
TOGETHER**
Share your story.

#hope

A daily (Monday to Friday) broadcast
by the Cathedral's WhatsApp,
Facebook and [Website](#).

Each snippet contains a short story or
a saying or an experience (on hope
and compassion in a time of suffering),
accompanied by Bible verse/s and a short
prayer.

CLICK HERE

**TO FIND OUT HOW YOU CAN
PARTICIPATE**

#strongertogether

words of hope and encouragement to
emerge strong in the Lord

**A weekly video compilation of
members - the young and the old,
single or in families or connect
groups (made possible by video-
conferencing).**

This will be shown just before each
Cathedral online Sunday Service and
shared through the Cathedral's Whatsapp
and Facebook.

Each video clip enables members to
introduce themselves and to share a brief
word of encouragement from their homes.



**All submissions should be
sent by email to
media@cathedral.org.sg**



FEELING WORRIED, ANXIOUS, FRUSTRATED OR ALONE DURING THIS COVID-19 SEASON?

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.



SPIRITUAL MATURITY

These programmes will be conducted via Zoom. This is an online video conferencing application that is very easy to use. You will need a device with a camera and sound. The links to join the retreat will be sent via your email with clear instructions on how to join. All are welcome

THE QUIET GARDEN SILENT PRAYER & MEDITATION

Every Tuesday 12n to 1 pm

For the month of April

Join by clicking this [LINK](#)

THE QUIET GARDEN RETREAT

2 May, 9am to 12.30pm

An invitation to journey with the disciples and their encounter with the Resurrected Christ before His ascension. Meditation materials will be emailed to you and you are free to use your own materials.

Register [HERE](#)



[SOCIAL JUSTICE](#)

Lawyer Ronald JJ Wong helps us understand what social justice is and why it is so critical to our faith and how we can work towards it.



15 APRIL - 27 MAY 2020

EASTER-PENTECOST ONLINE

MIDWEEK SERMONS

By Bp Rennis Ponniah

ENCOUNTERS WITH THE RESURRECTED JESUS

Available from noon
of every Wednesday on our
[YouTube channel](#)

For more information,
please click [HERE](#)



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 another.

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



SHARE YOUR STORIES.

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

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 21 April 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:	\$1.30m
Balance to be raised:	\$1.32m

WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE WORLD?

Covid-19, economic downturn, QO, SHN, WFH! Is there more to life than this? Join us as we explore life and faith. You are welcome to ask any question in a safe and friendly environment.

Every Wednesday 7:30pm to 9:00pm

Venue: In the comfort of your home via Zoom

TRY ALPHA ONLINE ON ZOOM.

Topics

29 Apr : Why & how do I pray?

6 May : Why & how should I read the Bible?

To register: www.tinyurl.com/SACAlphaOnline



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.



GIVING TITHES & OFFERINGS

ON-LINE BANKING

CHEQUES

As our premises are closed from 7 April to 1 June, mail to SAC will only be collected periodically from the post office. If you wish to send cheques by mail, you are advised to post them after 1 June.

Alternatively, may we encourage you to give your tithes & offerings via:

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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or scan the QR code

