

Join us online for our English Service this Sunday with the Saturday 430pm Service Worship team.

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

LECTIONARY READINGS

Acts 2:42-47 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

3 MAY 2020

COLLECT FOR FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he 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

THE VICAR WRITES



SPARE SOME TIME AND ENERGY

Do you know that interesting and inspiring "hope" stories are being released on a daily basis <u>HERE</u>. This may be the way to go to encourage our community to share their stories and experiences.

This is how stories from our community can help. They acquaint us with another SAC member whom we may not even have met before in person. We hear about their ministry experience (such as the 289 work in Batam). We hear from a senior on how

to cope while living within four walls. We receive gems of wisdom on how to live during this season. A mother chimes in on what we can do with our children being with us 24/7. A brother speaks about us being an aroma for Christ in a season where some have lost their sense of smell through Covid19. A doctor shared on the challenges she faced as a healthcare worker. We get to hear from those who were travelling and found themselves caught in no man's land due to the lockdowns.

Click on the image to read the story





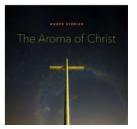












Have you read them? Have you shared yours? Why not? If writing is not your forte, we have a team who can help. Just send in your story as is.

Whether in writing, video or audio (Cathedral SG Live), we have established multiple forums for community communication to carry your contribution.

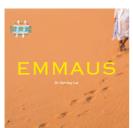
Is there a song you want to sing and share? Are you inspired to write a poem? Others are able to give helpful talks, from teaching the bible to tips on home cooking. How about creating some webinars? We already have thousands of viewers in our <u>Youtube channel</u>. Perhaps there is something you can contribute to make a difference in somebody's life?

You are saying, "Vicar, I need time and energy!" As someone once said, "love = time + energy." Perhaps a little love — for the Lord, the Gospel or His people - can be your source of motivation?

THEREFORE ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER AND BUILD EACH OTHER UP, JUST AS IN

FACT YOU ARE DOING. 1 THESSALONIANS 5:11

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THE WORLD

COVID-19 is the first pandemic to hit an integrated global economy. Disruptions to supply chains have caused governments to rethink their economic strategies to protect their national priorities. Pray that governments will have divine wisdom to re-structure their economic activities and that people are trained with relevant skills to perform new jobs.

Pray for the persecuted Christians in Ntiriku village in Kamuru, Nigeria. Their village was attacked by Fulani Islamists on April 19, resulting in 4 deaths and the burning of 65 homes. Pray that God will strengthen His people in their time of trial and for the Nigerian government, to recognise the urgent need for intervention, to prevent future attacks on the innocent.

SINGAPORE

Thank God for our Government's resolve to improve the housing facilities of our migrant workers. Pray for Minister Lawrence Wong and his team as they think through holistically and plan for the short, medium to long term ideal arrangements for the housing of our migrant workers.

There have been at least 20 confirmed infected cases among staff and residents in five nursing homes. Pray for God's divine protection over the staff and the elderly residents of our nursing homes, that God will strengthen their immunity and keep them healthy; and that there will be no further infections in our nursing homes.

THANKSGIVING

We thank God for the life of Richard Robert Turner (father of Emma JL Turner) who went home to be with the Lord on 11 April 2020.

DIOCESE

St. Andrew's Cathedral

Pray for our Dean, Bp. Rennis, Bp-designate Canon Titus Chung, Vicar Canon Terry, priests, deaconesses and the Cathedral leadership of the English and Mandarin congregations, to hear what is on God's mind and heart for the Cathedral during this unprecedented season. Thank God that the Cathedral has been able to reach the wider community through online Church Services and messages. Pray that the Church will continue to grow as more "come" to church through online channels and meet regularly in Connect Groups and other small groups to strengthen their faith. Pray that the Cathedral community will have many opportunities to share Christ with their family and friends, through the Alpha course and personal witnessing.

CATHEDRAL

PROJECT KHMER H.O.P.E. (PKH), CAMBODIA Due to the covid-19 global outbreak, the Cathedral's 4 PKH Centres have remained closed since 27 March.

- Pray for all the students who had to leave and are waiting at home, to stay safe, be patient, use their time well and be of help to their families.
- Pray for all the staff and teachers, that they will stay safe and know God's protection and provision.

Pray for God's protection over **PKH Chbarmorn, PKH Aoral, PKH Trang** and **PKH English Centres.**

Pray for the safety of the staff 'holding fort' during the closure, including our expatriate trainers – Susan Goh, Deborah Teo, Lim Wei Inn and Joyce Carino.

- With the tourism industry at a standstill, pray for PKH's former students and all those who have lost their jobs or are on unpaid leave; that they will experience God's peace and be able to return to work.
- Pray for wisdom and discernment for the PKH leadership to know when and how to re-open the centres, and the measures that they would need to implement to operate at a new normal.



Bringing Relief to Migrant Workers at the Dormitories

(Update, 28 Apr 2020)

During this Covid-19 Circuit (CB), Breaker 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 (https://www.facebook.com/cra. org.sg/)

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 5,500 workers living in 39 dormitories.

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, sanitizer
- 4. a listening ear (Tamil)
- 5. on-line English lessons

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).

NLINE meetings

Join us this Sunday

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

7 am Service 8.20am to 9.30am To Join, click **HERE**

8 am Service 9.30am to 10.15am To Join, click HERE

11.15am Service 12.00pm to 12.45 pmTo Join, click **HERE**

5.00pm Service 5.00pm to 6.30 pm To Join, 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



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

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

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 videoconferencing).

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.



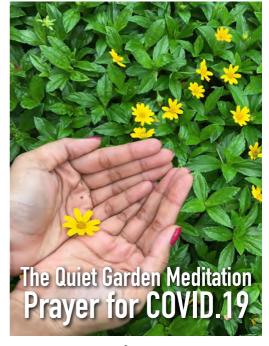


FEELING WORRIED, ANXIOUS, FRUSTRATED OR ALONE DURING THIS COVID-19 SEASON?

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.





Every Tuesday 12n to 1pm (till the end of May 2020)

An hour of silent prayer and meditation to unite our hearts and to hold before the Lord all affected by COVID.19 in Singapore and the world.

Join us by clicking on this **LINK**

ALL ARE WELCOME



THE BIBLE'S AUTHORITY

In this time of post-truth, how can we look to the Bible as an authority? One time lawyer and policy adviser Max Jeganathan discusses legitimacy and our real struggles in submitting to the Bible.





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

6 May: Why & how should I read

the Bible?

To register: www.tinyurl.com/

SACAlphaOnline



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 The 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 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



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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