

Covid 19, Phase 1 - The Nave is open for private worship.

#### 7 JUNE 2020

#### **COLLECT FOR TRINITY SUNDAY**

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; 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

#### one dod, now and for ever. And

Isaiah 40:12-17, 27-31 2 Corinthians 13:11-14 Matthew 28:16-20

**LECTIONARY READINGS** 

## 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



## THE VICAR'S WARDEN WRITES

 $\P$  In preparation for the coming AGM, this is to help explain the role of our Diocesan Synod.

The Synod is a body comprising bishops, clergy and lay representatives from parishes. The Synod meets twice a year and like a "Diocesan AGM", various diocesan functions are managed by this body. She is the decision authority for issues such as finance, governance, constitutions etc. This covers parishes, mission/deanery work, schools, medical/community services etc. She also works closely with the Bishop and the Standing Committee to support the vision of the Diocese.

Each Synod Session lasts for three years before the lay reps are elected again from the parish AGMs. The current Session ends in July.

In this new Session of Synod, there will be the appointment of Diocesan Office holders and election to Standing Committee and other Boards. Cathedral will elect 4 Lay members for the new Session. As a Synod Rep, the members can stand for election to various diocesan committees and boards.

In between Synod Sessions, the Standing Committee and Diocesan Boards meet to carry out the work.

The Cathedral has many members serving in these Boards. Here is a sample list of our lay members who are serving in the current Synod Session:

Standing Committee Keith Chua, Joseph Thambiah, Tan Kian Woo

Diocesan Registrar Charles Leong
Diocesan Treasurer Tan Kian Woo (Mandarin congregation)

Finance Board Chan Kheng Tek Development Board Lee Chi Kuan

Keith Chua, Joseph Thambiah Missions Board

SAMH VP and Chairman of Audit Committee

Andrew Goh

SACS VP Keith Chua

Provincial Standing Committee and Synod Reps Stanley Lai, Chan Kheng Tek

I trust this article is helpful even as we prayerfully elect our new Synod Reps.

#### PRAYER HIGHLIGHTS

#### THE WORLD

#### **United States**

Violent protests have erupted in major cities across the United States over the death of George Floyd, an African American, who died while in the custody of a white police officer in Minneapolis. Pray that the rioting, looting, vandalism, assaults, wanton destruction of property and senseless killings will stop. for calm to be restored and for those responsible for Floyd's death to be brought to justice. Pray for the United States government to exercise caution and wisdom in the measures they adopt to contain the violence. Pray also for a permanent solution to the problem of racial strife and discrimination against African-Americans and for effective polices to promote racial equality, peace and harmony among all racial groups in the United States.

Pray for the cessation of demonstrations in other parts of the globe, from London and Berlin to Australia and the Netherlands, where thousands gather in total disregard of social distancing rules, as these mass gatherings pose a real danger to the resurgence of COVID-19 outbreaks.

#### **SINGAPORE**

Thank God for the reduction in the number of transmissions and an end to the circuit breaker. As our economy begins to re-open in phases, pray that businesses will be vigilant to comply with safe management measures. Pray for strong social cohesion among locals and foreigners, good cooperation with the government and with one another, to keep Singapore safe and to revive our economy.

Pray for teachers and students who have returned to school since 2 June, to adapt well to the new norms. Pray for grace to bear with the prolonged use of masks and for good educational standards to be maintained. Pray that students who are preparing for major examinations will be able to focus on their studies and

persevere through the challenges, to excel in their studies.

#### DIOCESE

#### **Christ Church Singapore**

Pray that every member will be spiritually nourished during this time when the church is not able to gather; that every functional group ministry will actively engage members through online meetings. Pray that the six Services will continue to reach out to the communities; for the mission work in Nepal and for local missionaries Mr. Sandrabose & Mrs. Vasanthi Sandrabose who are ministering at Christ Church Pokhara in Nepal. Pray for the Church's redevelopment project to resume and all financial needs to be met by the Lord. Pray for leadership renewal and a good AGM on 5th July 2020.

#### **Church of the Epiphany**

Pray that every member's spiritual need will be met; for the prayer life of the Church to be sustained through online prayer sessions; for all ministries to actively engage members through online activities. Pray for the continuance of their mission work in Nepal, especially the church plant (Church of the Epiphany at Chitwan) in Kathmandu, Nepal. Pray for their redevelopment project to resume and that God will meet all their financial needs and for their AGM on 21st June 2020.

#### CATHEDRAL

Thank God for the re-opening of the Cathedral for private worship. Pray that the Lord will fill the Cathedral with His holy presence; that those who come will find peace and joy in His sanctuary. Pray also that those who are distressed will be comforted and strengthened and those who are seeking for meaning in life will encounter our risen Lord and receive new life in Him. Pray for a good response to our forthcoming virtual AGM on 28 June; for the Lord to preside over our meeting and especially in the election of the Parochial Church Council; for a fruitful, constructive and edifying time in our meeting together as a people under God.



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

SATURDAY 4:30pm Service
"The Upper Room" 4:30pm-5:30pm
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 Service 9.30am to 10.15am** To Join, click **HERE** 

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

11.15am Service 12.00pm to 12.45 pm To Join, click HERE

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





# Appointment of Acting Dean for St Andrew's Cathedral

At the recent Cathedral Chapter meeting on the 22nd May 2020, Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah, Bishop of Singapore, nominated Bishop-Designate Titus Chung as the Acting Dean of St Andrew's Cathedral from 1st July 2020 until a date beyond the term of the current Dean of the Cathedral, or until such time when Bishop-Designate Titus, as Diocesan Bishop, decides on a more permanent appointment.

The Board of Appointment (as per paragraph 3, Schedule C, of the Constitution of the Diocese of Singapore), which is chaired by the Chancellor, Richard Magnus, met on 29th May and unanimously concurred with the appointment.

Mabel Lim
Secretary, Cathedral Chapter
2nd June 2020



## The Nave is open for

## PRIVATE WORSHIP

(for a restricted number of persons)

everyday, except Thursday, from 10am to 4pm

Phone 63376104 to book an appointment
Walk-in subject to availability of space
Pedestrian entry via MRT gate, next to Cathedral Café
No entry for vehicles

#### PRAYER-COUNSELLING HOTLINE

If you need someone to talk to or be prayed for, please phone St Andrew's Cathedral Listening Room 83879914 (daily, 10am-6pm)

#### **Other National Helplines**

Samaritans of Singapore 1800 2214444 (daily, 24 hrs)

National Care Hotline 62026868 (daily, 24 hrs)

Care Corner Counselling 1800 3535800 (Mandarin, Mon-Fri, 10am-10pm)

Crisis Relief Alliance 87770019 (English & Mandarin, daily, 9am to 9pm)



#### **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**

that the 2020 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Parish of St Andrew's Cathedral will be held by way of ZOOM Webinar on Sunday, 28 June 2020 at 1pm (Singapore time).

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

about the AGM, click here: <a href="https://cathedral.org.sg/AGM2020">https://cathedral.org.sg/AGM2020</a>

#### **REGISTRATION FOR AGM:**

All ER members who wish to attend the virtual AGM, vote or receive the Financials & Budget are required to register by 12 noon, 7 June 2020.

To register, click here:

https://form.jotform.com/SACMembership/ AGMReg

## CHECKING IF YOU ARE ON ELECTORAL ROLL

Click here <a href="https://form.jotform.com/">https://form.jotform.com/</a> SACMembership/ER-enquiry

#### **NOMINATION FORMS**

(to be submitted by 12noon, 10 June 2020) are available here:

https://form.jotform.com/SACMembership/ NominationForm

#### **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Members must submit their questions via email to secretariat@cathedral.org.sg or post not later than 12 noon on 10 June 2020. The answers to substantial and relevant questions will be addressed and posted on the Cathedral website before the AGM.

#### **ENQUIRIES**

Members who have enquiries or require help in matters relating to the Virtual AGM, Proxy Votingform etc may email <a href="mailto:secretariat@cathedral.org.sg">secretariat@cathedral.org.sg</a> or call 63376104.



midweek series in June by Bishop Rennis Ponniah

3 June The Vibrancy of the Church (Acts 1-3)

10 June The Counter-Movement to the Church (Acts 4-5)

17 June The Expansion of the Church (Acts 6-9)

The World-wide Mission of the Church (Acts 10-13)



anglican.org.sg/youtube



24 June

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.



## 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



# Scripture Meditation & Silent Prayer

Join us for an hour of silent prayer and scripture meditation evey Tuesday, 12noon to 1pm

Follow this link to join: https://us04web.zoom.us/i/876046835

**ALL ARE WELCOME** 

## 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

## SAC RESTORATION WORKS PROJECT, 2020-2022



This Project aims to repair and restore various parts of the Cathedral's historic building that succumbed have environmental wear and tear. The Restoration 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 25 May 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: \$1.32m

Balance to be raised: \$1.30m



We want to stay connected with you.

3 easy steps:

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

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

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.





#### Bringing Relief to Migrant Workers at the Dormitories

(Update, 5 June 2020)

St Andrew's Cathedral (SAC) works with Crisis Relief Alliance (https://www.facebook.com/cra.org.sg) to bring help and hope to migrant workers. 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. SAC supporters and volunteers join to provide workers with necessary supplies to bring relief to them.



In this Phase, migrant workers who receive the necessary clearance from government authorities are able to leave their dormitories and to return to work.

Hence, in the 8th week of our work, starting on 7 June, instead of a weekly average of 7400 workers in up to 64 dormitories, we will be providing continued relief to about 4000 workers in 43 dormitories, who are still awaiting permission to return to work.

The work will be done by way of:

- providing a whole fruits pack for each worker every week
- supplying workers with various essential items
- lending a "Listening Ear" for workers to speak with members of SAC's Tamil Congregation
- engaging workers in Lessons on Conversational English, on-line







If you would like to find out more about these on-line lessons or serve on the teaching team, please email missions@cathedral.org.sg

## If you would like to give towards this cause, please do 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.

A total of \$169,000 has been spent on this project in the last 7 weeks. The expenses for the 8th week of our work will be about \$10,000.



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 <a href="mailto:finance@cathedral.org.sg">finance@cathedral.org.sg</a> 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 <a href="mailto:cathedral.org.sg/giving">cathedral.org.sg/giving</a>

Stay connected with us by using these social media and communication channels.



Get the app now at: https://onelink.to/9z88a2 or scan the QR code







