

THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE LIVING SAVIOUR

Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7

Cathedral News - November 2019



ANDREW
the Apostle

Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. John 1:40-42

Message from the Vicar of the Cathedral

My dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour!

Nation: The country goes to the polls on the 16th November 2019 to elect its next President. It is hoped that the people of our nation would think wisely before they exercise their civic responsibility. At this Presidential election let us resolve to shun those who affirm violence and affirm those who will work for the common good of the people of our nation.

Church: The month of November is traditionally observed by many as the month of remembrance. On the 7th November our Cathedral will keep the 46th anniversary of its consecration. We also remember the Saints and Martyrs of our Diocese on the 8th November and join with people across the world in observing Remembrance Sunday on the 10th November. Finally, on the 30th November the Church observes St. Andrew's Day and with it we are reminded of our responsibility to introduce others to Christ in keeping with the life and example of Andrew the disciple of Jesus.

Visit of the Primate of the Episcopal Church of the USA: His Grace Archbishop Michael Curry will be making a pilgrimage to Sri Lanka together with a few persons from the Episcopal Church of the USA. While they plan to visit the work that is being supported by the Episcopal Church of the USA in many parts of the country, Archbishop Michael is due to preach at our Cathedral on Sunday, 17th November 2019.

Life in the Cathedral:

Confirmation Classes and Service: I am happy to inform you that after a period of preparation, our confirmation service will take place on Sunday, 1st December 2019, at 8.15a.m.

Cathedral Bible Study: We have, for the past few weeks, been examining the topic 'The Truth Shall Set you Free!' Through this process we have been able to make the faithful aware of how to discern truth from false teaching. I trust that the time of learning has been mutually edifying to all.

Parking in the Premises: I request you to continue to use the areas in which you parked your vehicles in the weeks after the Easter day incidents. Please also avoid the area in front of the Church. The need to keep this area free of vehicles is in order to facilitate an evacuation in case of an unforeseen emergency. Your understanding will be greatly appreciated.

Visiting: The Cathedral Pastoral Care team is available to visit you. If you have not been contacted by the Clergy in this regard and would appreciate a Pastoral visit, please contact Rev. Earnest at your earliest, as Rev. Ratnamalar, who has been recovering after an accident, is very close to a complete recovery from her accident.

Pastoral Ministry: In an effort to reach out further to each other and uphold each other in our prayers, work is currently being done to prepare a birthday and anniversary book. This would enable us to remember you on Sunday at Public worship in the event your birthday or wedding anniversary is within the week. The same details would be used to remember you at the week day service as well.

As this effort takes shape, I request you to please bring to our attention in the event you are missed out on such an occasion. The reason for this could mean that the details we have concerning you may need to be urgently refreshed and updated.

Cathedral Website: It is also intended to launch our Cathedral Website on the 7th November 2019. The Cathedral website could be accessed at www.cathedral.lk

Finally, I would like to keep you informed that I will be away from the 29th November to the 8th December 2019. Both Assistant Curates will take care of the Pastoral and Liturgical responsibilities of the Cathedral during this period and they could be contacted for any emergency.

Thanking You,

With Prayers and Blessings
Yours Sincerely,



Ven. Perry Brohier
Vicar

St Andrews Day

Andrew the Apostle

One of Jesus' earliest disciples, the brother of Simon Peter. The Gospels identify Andrew as the brother of Simon Peter (Mark 1:16; Matt 4:18; Luke 6:14; John 1:40; 6:8). The brothers were from Bethsaida, a town north of the Sea of Galilee (John 1:44). Andrew was one of Jesus' original 12 disciples (Mark 6:3; Matt 10:2; Luke 6:14; Acts 1:13).

Andrew and Simon Peter were living in Capernaum and working as fishermen when Jesus formally called them to follow Him. They promptly responded to His call and became permanent followers of Jesus (Mark 1:16–18, 21; Matt 4:13, 18–20).

John 1:35–40 records that, prior to becoming a follower of Jesus, Andrew was a disciple of John the Baptizer. Through John's witness, Andrew was introduced to Jesus. Andrew subsequently introduced his brother, Simon Peter, to Jesus (John 1:41–42).

In John 1:35, John the Baptizer is standing with two of his disciples, one of whom is Andrew, when Jesus passes by. The disciples hear John proclaim, "Behold, the Lamb of God," and begin to follow Jesus. Jesus then invites the two men to join Him (John 1:38–39).

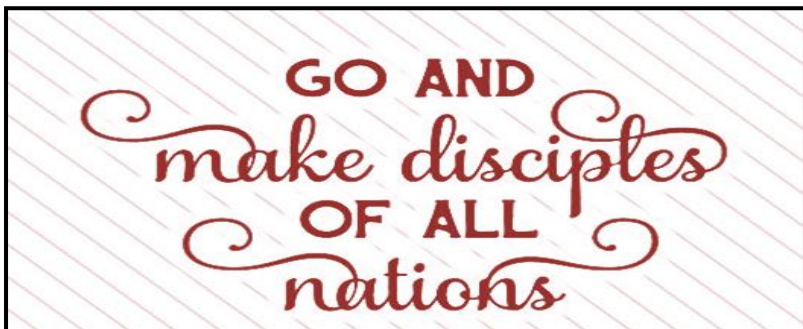


Andrew subsequently finds his brother, Simon and declares, "We have found the Messiah" (John 1:41). Andrew then brings Simon to Jesus.

Andrew and Philip’s common town of origin makes their close connection in John 6:5–9 and 12:20–22 understandable. The first account in which Andrew appears with Philip is at Jesus’ feeding of the 5,000 (John 6:1–15, especially 6:4–14). Jesus sees the gathered crowd and asks Philip where they can buy bread (John 6:5–6). Philip concedes that not even 200 denarii would be enough to give the crowd even a little (John 6:7). Andrew interjects, “There is a boy here who has five loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?” (John 6:9). Jesus subsequently provides food for the crowd (John 6:11–12).

Andrew and Philip also appear together in John 12:20–22. When a group of Greeks come to the feast of Passover during Jesus’ final week, they approach Philip and request to see Jesus (John 12:21). Philip tells Andrew, and together they inform Jesus (John 12:22). Philip probably shared the uncertainty, so he consulted with Andrew. Given Andrew’s role in this account, Pesch characterized Andrew as “a mediator for Greek proselytes”. Philip and Andrew serve more like facilitators.

In the early second century AD, the church father Papias mentions Andrew in comments about his preference for apostolic oral tradition: “If ... any one came, who had been a follower of the elders, I questioned him in regard to the words of the elders—what Andrew or what Peter said, or what was said by Philip, or by Thomas, or by James, or by John, or by Matthew, or by any other of the disciples of the Lord...” (cited in Eusebius, *Ecclesiastical History* 3.39.4; *NPNF2* 1:121) (Sweeney, J. P., *The Lexham Bible Dictionary*. Bellingham, WA: Lexham Press, 2016.)



Holy Days and Festivals –November 2019

1 st	All Saint's Day
2 nd	All Soul's Day
7 th	Consecration of our Cathedral in 1973
8 th	Saint's and Martyrs of Our Land
30 th	St. Andrew's Day

Sunday Worship Service Times

7:00 am - Sinhala
8:15 am - English
11:00 am - Tamil

Daily Eucharist - Monday to Saturday - 7:30 am
Every Second Sunday-Sinhala & Tamil Combined service- 7:00 am
Every Fifth Sunday- Tri-Lingual Service-8:15 am

Clergy at the Cathedral

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LECTIONARY - November - 2019**Date: 3rd November 2019 – Proper 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time****All Saint's Sunday****Theme: "Jesus in the Midst of the Saints Invites Hospitality"**

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament Lesson	Habakkuk 1: 1 -4, 2: 1 - 4	Renuka Sadanandan
Psalm	119: 137 - 144	Shamara Herat
Epistle	2 Thessalonians 1: 1 -4,11 - 12	Charles Sanders
Gospel	St. Luke 19: 1 - 10	Jayantha Gunasekera
Intercessions		Sukanya Devarajan
Offertory		Gunasekera Family

Date : 10th November 2019 – Proper 27th Sunday In Ordinary Time**Remembrance Sunday****Theme : Whether we live or die, we are the Lord's**

Old Testament Lesson	Haggai 1: 15b – 2: 9	Himani Pieris
Psalm	145: 1 – 5, 17 - 21	Parshene Rodrigo
Epistle	2 Thessalonians 2: 1 -5,13-17	Gloriana Razeek
Gospel	St. Luke 20: 27 - 38	Patrick Bulner
Intercessions		Daphne Charles Rutnam
Offertory		Rodrigo Family

Date: 17th November 2019 – Proper 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**Theme : Courage to Endure – Stir up our Faith**

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 65: 17 – 25	Niranjala William
Psalm	98	Dharshini Masilamani
Epistle	2 Thessalonians 3: 6 – 13	Teri Lawver
Gospel	St. Luke 21: 5 - 19	Rupa Simithraaratchy
Intercessions		Shyamal Muthumudalige
Offertory		William Family

Date 24th November 2019 – Proper 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**Reign of Christ Sunday****Theme: Reign of Christ in this Word and in Eternity**

Old Testament Lesson	Jeremiah 23: 1 – 6	Tara Ramanayake
The Benedictus	St. Luke 1: 68 - 79	Jill Macdonald
Epistle	Colossians 1: 11 – 20	Promise Bassey
Gospel	St. Luke 23: 33 - 43	Indrani Senanayake
Intercessions		Mohan Mendis
Offertory		Pauline Opatha, Suvendreni & Neville Weerasekera

Cathedral Bible Study



9th October
to
27th November
2019



Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." John 8:31-32

Every Wednesday
at 6 pm

All are Welcome

*Join us for
a Bible study series
that will explore
the Meaning,
Origin, Purpose
& Relevance of
the TRUTH*

at
the Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour
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