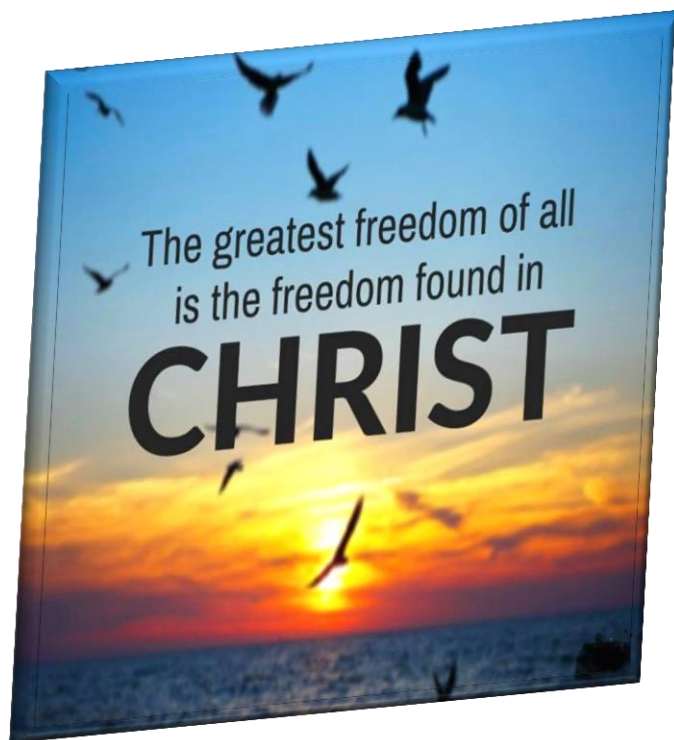




## *Cathedral News - February 2020*



### **Galatians 5:1,13**

<sup>1</sup>It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.

<sup>13</sup>For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not turn your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.

**THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE LIVING SAVIOUR**

Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7



## CHURCH OF CEYLON DIOCESE OF COLOMBO



Rt. Revd. Dhiloraj R. Canagasabey  
Bishop of Colombo

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### Message from the Bishop

The Church of Ceylon joins all Sri Lankans as we salute the 72<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of our independence from British rule.

Anniversaries are a time to look back with rejoicing at our achievements, giving thanks for the women and men who have worked committedly to make them possible. But anniversaries are also a time that call us to look honestly and critically at our failures, to learn from them and so to avoid repeating them.

As we step into another year in our nation's history under a new President and Government, I believe we as a nation, both leaders and we the people need to do this. One area of government that has consistently failed our people is that related to Justice and the practice of equality before the law.

In God's dealings with Israel, the theme of Justice runs deep. Amos for example calls on "Justice to flow like a river". Isaiah says "I the Lord love Justice" and Deutronomy "Follow Justice and Justice alone". As a minority faith group in this country, this theme ought to be very much a focus of own ministry in the period ahead.

I wish to place these thoughts for your reflection as we mark this important day in the life of our nation

I end with some of the words I wrote in my Independence Day message last year.

May the best teachings of our faiths and the noble examples of those whose lives have enlightened us for the good, be our guide and our inspiration as we step into the future.

The Rt Rev Dhiloraj Canagasabey  
Bishop of Colombo

*Message  
from the  
Vicar of the  
Cathedral*

My dear Friends in Christ,

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

**Nation:** As the nation prepares to celebrate its 72<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Independence, the recent revelations in the media about our political leadership, the judiciary and law enforcement are causes for concern. The judiciary and law enforcement, key institutions in any democratic framework, seem to have been seriously compromised. These signs simply tell us that the health of the nation is not at all satisfactory.

Therefore I urge you to please pray for our nation.

**Church:** As the Christmas season concludes with the feast of the Presentation on the 2<sup>nd</sup> February, we will move into the period in the liturgical calendar that prepares us for Lent.

Ash Wednesday which will be observed on 26<sup>th</sup> February would mark the commencement of another Lenten season.

### **Life in the Cathedral:**

**Updating of Parish Records and Electoral List 2020:** The Parish records are being updated for 2020. Those who need to do so can and must do so before 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

**Letters of Recommendation for School Admissions:** Most of our Church schools have begun the process of school admissions for 2021. I would like to remind parents of children who attend Sunday School and desire to admit their children to our Church schools that there is in place a simple process for those who would require letters of recommendation for this purpose. Please speak to the Sunday School Superintendent, Mrs. Nirubala Vincent. She will help parents with the required assistance.

May I also add that the letter of recommendation is just one of the documents needed and not the only document required from the Church by schools for admission applications to be processed.

**Parking in the Premises and Security:** The Internal security arrangements on the premises that concern the Cathedral are being reviewed.

As part of this process I need to remind you to please park in the areas that were reserved for our Sunday parking, post Easter 2019.

Please also refrain from parking in a way that Exit points are blocked. All Exit points need to be kept free for people to move in if there is a need for an emergency evacuation of the building.

**Visiting:** The Cathedral Pastoral Care team is available to visit you. If you would appreciate a Pastoral visit from the Cathedral Clergy, please contact Rev. Earnest or Rev. Ratnamalar at your earliest.

Thanking You,

With Prayers and Blessings


Yours Sincerely,



Ven. Perry Brohier

Vicar

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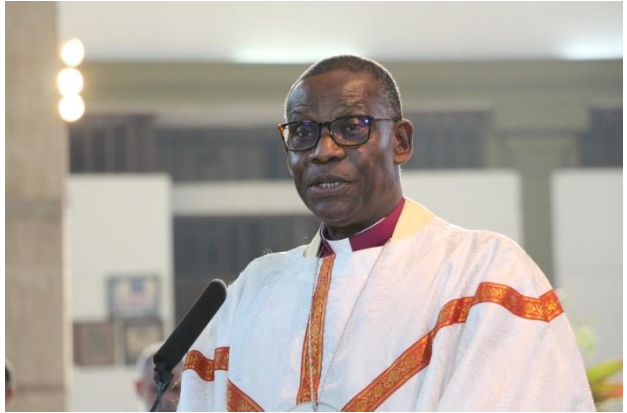
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## *The Exploration Committee Visit*

The Exploration Committee from the Anglican Consultative Council visited Sri Lanka during the first week of January 2020. A few of the members of the Committee participated in the Holy Eucharist service at the Cathedral on the 5th of January 2020. The preacher was Archbishop Josiah Idowu-Fearon.





## **Holy Days and Festivals - February 2020**

2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Presentation of Christ in the Temple
15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Stephen, the First Martyr

## **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

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**LECTIONARY FEBRUARY 2020**

**Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020 – Tenth Sunday After Christmas (Epiphany 4)**  
**Theme: Presentation Sunday – Jesus the Light of the World**

Old Testament Lesson	Malachi 3: 1 – 4	Farah Daniel
Psalm	24: 7 – 10	Shanthikumar Sadanandan
Epistle	Hebrews 2: 14 – 18	Thanja Pieris
Gospel	St. Luke 2: 22 - 40	Ishan De Lanerolle
Intercessions		Shyamal Muthumudalige
Offertory		De Lanerolle Family

**Date: 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020 – Ninth Sunday Before Easter (Epiphany 5)**  
**Theme: Jesus Christ : The New Authority**

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 58: 1 – 9	Nirubala Vincent
Psalm	112: 1 – 9	Promise Bassey
Epistle	1 Corinthians 2: 1 - 12	Nishara Fernando
Gospel	St. Matthew 5: 13 – 20	Indrani Senanayake
Intercessions		Romesh David
Offertory		David Family

**Date: 16<sup>th</sup> February 2020 – Eighth Sunday Before Easter (Epiphany 6)**  
**Theme: Christ the Guru**

Old Testament Lesson	Deuteronomy 30: 15 – 20	Abigail Pereira
Psalm	119: 1 - 8	Yanithra Hallock
Epistle	1 Corinthians 3: 1 – 9	Dimanthi De Silva
Gospel	St. Matthew 5: 21 – 37	Srimanthaka Senanayake
Intercessions		Ivyin Jesumaney
Offertory		Senanayake Family

**Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2020 – Seventh Sunday Before Lent (Epiphany 7)**  
**Transfiguration Sunday**  
**Theme: Christ the Light of the World**

Old Testament Lesson	Exodus 24: 12 – 18	Shamara Herat
Psalm	2	Sumaya Ramanayake
Epistle	1 Peter 1: 16 – 21	Khalia De Lanerolle
Gospel	St. Matthew 17: 1 - 9	Mohan Mendis
Intercessions		Jason Senanayake
Offertory		Sanders Family