

## Cathedral News June 2020



"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." Matthew 28: 19-20

**THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE LIVING SAVIOUR** 368, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7 Message from the Vicar of the Cathedral My dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour! **Church:** The Church has observed the feast of Pentecost. Thereafter we now move into a period called Ordinary time. During this period of time the focus of the Church will move towards our discipleship as the people of God, growth and the mission of the Church within the community and in the wider community.

In the midst of this the Church continues to grapple with the situation that faces the wider community as result of the Covid 19 Pandemic.

The restrictions on large community gatherings remain.

Social distancing, taking adequate steps to adhere to the required health and safety protocols will have to be considered when permission is finally granted for larger gatherings of people.

**Nation:** The people of the country will be within their rights to raise legitimate questions on law enforcement in the present context. While there may be adequate guidelines in place to help deal with the current health crisis, the manner in which the guidelines are applied is much to be desired. People in positions of authority appear to have special interpretations and applications to the law and health and safety protocol in place for all.

There also seems to be an undue urgency to declare an end to the health crisis caused by the Covid 19 global health Pandemic. Responsible officials must act with a sense of professionalism and not give into the temptation of popular decisions. The wellbeing of the nation's people and their health should not be compromised to suit any political agenda.

#### Life in the Cathedral:

**Notice to Worshipping Community:** As indicated on the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2020, in our effort to assist and co-operate with the authorities to combat the health crisis caused by the Covid 19 Pandemic, the decision to suspend public worship remains unchanged. The Cathedral however is open from 6am – 12noon and from 2pm – 6pm daily for Private Prayer.

The Parish office is now working Monday through to Friday, except at the weekend and on holidays. In order to ensure the health and safety of all, you are

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requested to kindly adhere to the basic health and safety protocols in the event you need to call over at the Cathedral office.

**Pastoral Care:** The Clergy of the Cathedral remain committed to intervene with the required Pastoral care if and where there is an emergency.

**Electoral List 2020/2021:** The first posting of the Electoral List for 2020-2021 has been made on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

The eligibility requirements for inclusion in the Electoral Roll are persons who are baptized and confirmed Anglicans over the age of 18 and whose names do not appear in any other Parish Electoral Roll.

Applications for, or objections against, inclusion, must be brought to the attention of the Vicar, in writing, within fourteen days of the first posting.

**Annual General Meeting:** Due to the prevailing health crisis caused by the Covid 19 global health Pandemic, we have been compelled to postpone the Cathedral Annual General Meeting until further notice. Arrangements will be made for this meeting to be held no sooner the situation is conducive for public gatherings.

**Temporary Suspension - The Alpha Course:** The prevailing Health Crisis has forced us to suspend the Alpha course until further notice.

**Cathedral Office:** I regret to inform you that Ms. Sharon Wijesuriya who has worked with us for sometime, has requested that her contract not be extended. Therefore she will leave us at the end of June. We wish her God's blessings and place on record our gratitude for being part of the team as a member of the Cathedral office. Therefore there is an immediate opening in the Cathedral office. We are initially looking for a volunteer to help out in the interim until the vacancy is filled. If there is anyone interested please speak to me without delay, or if there is anyone who would like to join our Cathedral office staff you are welcome to apply for the post. Please speak to me without delay.

Thanking You,

With Prayers and Blessings Yours Sincerely,

Joury Borth

Ven. Perry Brohier Vicar



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## PRAYER FOR OUR DIOCESE AS WE PREPARE TO ELECT OUR NEXT BISHOP



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The task of choosing a new Bishop for our Diocese is a serious responsibility which will be undertaken by the members of the Diocesan Council in due course. It is extremely important that we pray fervently for our clergy and lay representatives, that they will be open to the promptings of God's Holy Spirit as they fulfill their responsibility for the good of our Diocese and of the Church of Ceylon.

God of our pilgrimage and Lord of the Church, giver of every good and perfect gift:

We thank you for all your blessings and mercies so generously showered upon the Church and upon this Diocese of Colombo to which you have called us to belong.

We thank you and praise your Holy Name, for James, 1st Bishop of our Diocese, and for all those who laboured with him and after him for the building up of your Church in this land and for establishing our Diocese to be a beacon of hope for so many. We thank you for all those who are labouring at the present time in our Diocese as clergy, lay workers, diocesan staff and members of the different diocesan boards and committees that continue the work of God's mission. We pray for a double outpouring of your Holy Spirit upon them as they minister in challenging times, changing circumstances and even at times in a hostile environment, that we may continue to serve with courage and conviction and faith in your promises that never fail us.

As we acknowledge your great faithfulness to us over the years, we pray especially now that your Holy Spirit, who moves your faithful people at all times to act according to your will and purpose, would guide and influence all the members of our Diocesan Council who have the task of choosing our new Bishop in due time, that through their choice, inspired by your will and purpose for us, we may receive a faithful, wise, and courageous chief shepherd and a true servant-leader after your own heart, who will always walk in your ways and with loving care teach us your truth, lead us in the way of holiness, equip us to fulfill the Mission of God, and be an agent of reconciliation, peace and justice;

Grant this most gracious God, so that your Church may be built up and your Holy Name be glorified, through Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Master, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## Holy Days / Festivals & Important Dates - June 2020

<sup>11th</sup> Feast of St. Barnabas the Apostle
<sup>24th</sup> Feast of St. John the Baptist
<sup>29th</sup> Feast of St. Peter the Apostle
<sup>30th</sup> Feast of Paul and the Twelve Apostles

## **<u>Clergy at the Cathedral</u>**

Rt. Revd. Dhiloraj Canagasabey Metropolitan's Commissary and Vicar General

Ven. Perry Brohier The Vicar of the Cathedral & Archdeacon of Colombo (0777541234)

> Revd. Earnest Nadeem Assistant Curate (0777138831)

### **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

LECTIONARY JUNE 2020 Date: 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2020: Trinity Sunday (First Sunday after Pentecost) Theme: God the Holy Trinity		
Second Reading	St. Matthew 28: 16 - 20	DevaanHallock
Intercessions		ChemaliHerath
	- Proper 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary ructions' to the Family of the Ch	
First Reading	Genesis 18: 1 - 15	Darren White
Second Reading	St. Matthew 9: 35 – 10: 8	Shyama Perera
Intercessions		MahenPerera
	Proper 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary 1 d; The Lord is at our Side	lime
First Reading	Genesis 21: 8 - 21	Naavya Wannakuwatte
Second Reading	St. Matthew 10: 24 - 39	Warren White
Intercessions		Mohan Mendis
Date: 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 -	- Proper 8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary	Time
Theme: Welcome tho	ose who bring the Good news of	the Lord
First Reading	Genesis 22: 1 - 14	Dhilan Mitchell
Second Reading	St. Matthew 10 : 40 - 42	Aruni Wijayaratna
Intercessions		Arun Gamalatge

## **Cathedral Office**

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Sunday School - Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour, Colombo 07

Hi kids, we are happy to announce that we are presenting video series to be viewed through YouTube link, at 9 am every Sunday,

We have also started Sunday school lessons by a zoom link. You can join your online class at 9.30 am. Please



## Cathedral Bible Study

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A Study from the Book of Nehemiah

An interactive Bible study from the Book of Nehemiah

## Online with Zoom Link

Every Wednesday at6pm From 17th June to 5th August 2020

For Further Details, Please Contact:

The Vicar: 0777541234 Cathedral Office, Phone No: 011-2671481 Email: angcathedralcmb@gmail.com

Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour, 368 Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7





During these challenging times, the Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour will host a time of online fellowship every Sunday after the Sunday service streamed on YouTube. This is to facilitate interaction and discussion on the sermon and current challenges the community is facing.

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## Space to Interact and Fellowship with one another

Cathedral Online Fellowship Hour

Please join us for a time of fellowship at 9.30am over Zoom.

Starting from 10<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Please contact Clergy for further details

# **Cathedral Youth Connect**

All young people are invited to join online zoom meeting every Tuesday at 6:00 pm. To interact and to share thinking and experiences on relevant topics. Please send your name to Fr. Earnest (0777138831) to receive zoom link to join the meeting.