



CATHEDRAL NEWSLETTER

October 2022

International Children's & Elder's Day



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: While the Church will join society at large in the observance of World Children's Day, Elders' Day and Animal Day on the 1st and 4th of October, the Church will also observe the Feast of St. Luke the Physician on the 18th of October. Also, at the end of the month the Church will observe the Feast of St. James on the 23rd and that of St. Simon and St. Jude on the 28th.

The Church needs to be constantly conscious of the realities it exercises its Mission and Ministry. Therefore, engagement with relevance is critically important.

Nation: While our crisis riddled nation continues to stagger in the wake of a litany of crises that have hit us, the people continue to suffer at the hands of petty minded, self-seeking and incompetent politicians. The recent revelation by the World Food Programme (WFP) that four in ten households in Sri Lanka are going hungry is shocking to read.

The repeated cries made by many persons in civil society to give careful attention to the type of leaders we elect has come to haunt us and hurt us with devastating consequences. The bottom line is extremely clear, we are where we are today as a nation because of what successive governments have done while in office.

It is even more distressing and disappointing to note that many of our leaders think it is a priority to restructure their political parties at this time and not address the issues that are being faced by people today. This action itself says a lot about their eagerness to gain POWER and not serve the people. "They that have ears, let them hear".

There seems to be many subtle attempts to suppress freedom of expression and the right to dissent. Our leaders will do well to take lessons from the past before they take this route as the underlying fact has been it may succeed for a while but it will also be the cause for the downfall of those who pursue that path.

Diocesan Council 2022: After a lapse of three years, preparations are being made for Diocesan Council Sessions to be held in person from 27th – 29th October 2022. The theme of this year's Council Sessions are "I have observed the misery of my people, I have heard their cry and I have come down to deliver them". Evensong will be at 4pm on the 27th of October and the preacher will be Rev. M Sathivel.

Thereafter the opening session will take place with Rt. Rev. Keerthisiri Fernando, the Vicar General of the Diocese of Kurunegala (former Bishop of Kurunegala) and his wife Arleane as chief guest.

Plans are also being made to felicitate Bishop Kenneth Fernando at the opening session of the Council as he keeps the 30th anniversary of his Episcopal Ordination.

Yours prayers will be appreciated for the Council representatives of the Cathedral worshipping community: Pranavan Rockwood, Nirubala Vincent, Dilsarah Derrick and Maarisi Dias.

Life in the Cathedral

Community Kitchen (CK): This relatively recent initiative has now expanded to reach nearly 500 people per week. While I thank God for his amazing provision, I am also extremely grateful to many of you from the congregation, personal contacts, friends, well-wishers, family members and outsiders who continue to fund this initiative generously.

This effort also needs more volunteers in the form of personnel who are needed for the distribution of the food. Consideration needs to be given to expand the reach if it is needed.

Cathedral Prayer Group: As we find our way through difficult times, I continue to urge you to pray fervently for a turnaround in our nation. Let us also pray that our leaders will see the light and take courageous decisions to affirm what is right.

50th Anniversary of the Cathedral: On Remembrance Sunday next month it is hoped to launch the 50th anniversary celebrations of our Cathedral. A list of activities have been planned thereafter for a period of 12 months. The programme of activities will be made public shortly.

Support for the Cathedral: Despite our having to contend with many challenges I am extremely grateful to many of you who support the work of the Cathedral generously. Your support is greatly appreciated and valued.

In case you require the bank details of the Cathedral do get in touch with the Cathedral office (0112671481), speak to me or send us an email requesting the Cathedral bank account details to info@cathedral.lk. The use of online banking facilities for this purpose is encouraged.

Live Stream: The live stream continues to be watched by a large segment of people both locally and internationally. If you have not done so up to now you are encouraged to subscribe to the Cathedral YouTube Channel by pressing the subscribe button.



Pastoral Care: The Cathedral Clergy continue to be available to make Pastoral interventions in times of need. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with them in case of a Pastoral emergency.

Thanking you,
With Prayers and Blessings
Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Perry Brohier".

Ven. Perry Brohier
Vicar

HOLY DAYS/ FESTIVALS & OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

4 th Oct	The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
6 th Oct	Feast of St. Thomas, Apostle to India and Sri Lanka
18 th Oct	Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist and Physician
23 rd Oct	Feast of St. James, the Just of Jerusalem
28 th Oct	Feast of St. Simon and St. Jude

REQUIEM FOR THE LATE QUEEN

At the request of the British High Commission in Colombo, a service was held at the Cathedral on Sunday 18th September 2022. There was a large gathering that included many Diplomats present. The service was led by the Vicar of the Cathedral and Archdeacon of Colombo and the Bishop of Colombo presided and preached.





THE CATHEDRAL

*Community
Kitchen*

**THE PROJECT
FEEDS OVER 400
PEOPLE WEEKLY**

WITH THE HELP OF VOLUNTEERS FROM THE CONGREGATION, MEMBERS OF THE CATHEDRAL WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY HAVE BEGUN TO RESPOND TO AND AID THOSE AFFECTED BY THE PRESENT CRISIS.

If you feel moved to support this initiative, you may make your contribution to the Cathedral office by indicating Community Kitchen or CK on the envelope. Alternatively, you may make a bank transfer to the Cathedral.

If you would like to contribute by volunteering, please get in touch with the vicar and express your interest in doing so.

BANK DETAILS:

Beneficiary:
Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour

Bank:
Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC, Reid Avenue Branch

Account Number:
1116019905

Bank Code: 7056
Branch Code: 116
Swift Code: CCEYLK LX

Reference:
"Community Kitchen"
or
"CK"

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LECTIONARY - OCTOBER 2022

Date 2nd October 2022 – Proper 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: “Increase our Faith – For Hope to Spring up Again” | Education Sunday

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament Lesson	Proverbs 4: 7 – 13	Eathen Daniel
Psalm	111	Nilojan Aaron
Epistle	Acts 22: 1 – 5	Shyan Muthumudalige
Gospel	St. Luke 4: 31 - 44	Manisha Sanders
Intercessions		Daphne William / Shandelle Jesumaney

Date: 9th October 2022 – Proper 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: “Thankfulness for Different Abilities in Different Persons”

Old Testament Lesson	Jeremiah 29: 1, 4 – 7	Kanchana Gunasekera
Psalm	66: 1 – 12	Enoch Daniel
Epistle	2 Timothy 2: 8 - 15	Heshan de Silva
Gospel	St. Luke 17: 11 - 19	Shriyantha Senaratne
Intercessions		Nirubala Vincent

Date: 16th September 2022 – Proper 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: “Perseverance in Prayer and Care” | Health Care Workers Sunday

Old Testament Lesson	Jeremiah 31: 7 - 14	Charles Sanders
Psalm	119: 97 - 104	Derrick William
Epistle	2 Timothy 3: 14 - - 4” 5, 11	Roshen Wijesinghe
Gospel	St. Luke 18: 1 – 8	Indranee Senanayake
Intercessions		Daphne Charles

Date 23rd October 2022 – Proper 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 9th Sunday Before Christmas

Theme: “Being Right with God”

Old Testament Lesson	Jeremiah 32: 1 – 3a, 6 – 15	Amenda Vincent
Psalm	91: 1 -6, 14 - 16	Ayon Randunubandara
Epistle	1 Timothy 6: 6 - 19	Ishan de Lanerolle
Gospel	St. Luke 4: 16 - 24	Radika Salgado
Intercessions		Sukanya Devarajan

Date 30th October 2022 – Proper 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8th Sunday Before Christmas

Theme: “Looking to Jesus in the Bible – The Basis for Reform”

Old Testament Lesson	Habakkuk 1: 1 – 4, 2: 1 – 4	Farah Daniel
Psalm	119: 137 – 144	Tristen Raymond
Epistle	2 Thessalonians 1: 1 -4, 11-12	Patrick Bulner
Gospel	St. Luke 19: 1 - 10	Navyya Wannakuwatte
Intercessions		Jill Mackdonald

HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE TIMES

07.00am – Sinhala & Tamil

08.30am – English

- All services will be held physically while the 8.30AM service will also continue to be livestreamed. The link for the livestream will be shared weekly.

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Cathedral Prayer Circle

- A Prayer Circle is now operational as a WhatsApp group. If you wish to join, please send your name and mobile number to 077 726 0862

Website: www.cathedral.lk

Social Media: <https://www.facebook.com/CathedralCMB/>

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