



CATHEDRAL NEWSLETTER

January 2023



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!

New Year Wishes and Greetings: Let me at the very outset join the Cathedral staff and their families in wishing you a blessed and peaceful new year. The New Year is also the space we have for a fresh beginning. It is my prayer that we will have the courage, the creativity and the resolve to work towards something new in partnership with the God who makes all things new.

2023 will also be my last year of Ministry in your midst as your Vicar. Therefore, the latter few months of the year will be a few months of transition. This will also be the last year in my term as the Archdeacon of Colombo.

Church: Having observed the feast “The circumcision and naming of Jesus”, on the 6th the Church will observe the feast of the Epiphany, the manifestation or the revelation of the God incarnate. Our next few Sundays will examine this theme from a few perspectives. In Eastern Christian traditions this feast is referred to as the Theophany of God.

Nation: The woes that the people of our nation face are numerous and a good number of peace-loving citizens who have been let down due to the failures of our national leaders are moving away.

We still seem to lack an accountability structure at the national level to hold our leaders for their misdeeds. If this system is in place the burden of bearing the costly price that is reclaimed from the citizens can be mitigated. It will take some time for us a nation to recover in key sectors like agriculture, health, education, services, industry and energy.

Life in the Cathedral

50th Anniversary of the Cathedral: This is the year of our Jubilee. Our monthly activity in this regard will be the Jubilee Cycle Parade that is scheduled to take place on Saturday the 14th of January 2023. This journey will symbolise the relocation of the Cathedral from the former Cathedral at Mutwal to its present location. More details will be made known to you in the next few days.

Carol Service: I wish to convey my appreciation to our Cathedral Choir and its director for a very creatively presented Carol service. The feature of the Carol service was the inclusion of members from the worshipping community. We now need to develop this idea further.

Sunday School: I also want to thank the Sunday School children for their very creative presentation of the nativity story. Sunday School will reopen for the New Year on the 8th of January 2023.

Confirmation Classes: Confirmation preparation will recommence after a short break on the 15th of January 2023. The dates will be shared with the group that is being prepared (no new enrolments).

Community Kitchen (CK): Our community kitchen continues to function twice a week feeding almost 500 people weekly. I am grateful to all of you who continue to support this initiative financially. There is as always a need for volunteers to help with the distribution of food. The food distribution takes place on Monday and Friday between 4 pm and 5.45 pm in the evening. Your support will be much appreciated and I commend this appeal to you.

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.

The bank details of the Cathedral could be obtained by getting in touch with the Cathedral office (0112671481), speaking to me or by request made via email 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: Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me in case of a Pastoral emergency. Every effort is being made to ensure that the Pastoral care extended by the Cathedral continues despite a few practical challenges we face.

Thanking you,
With Prayers and Blessings
Yours Sincerely,

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

Ven. Perry Brohier
Vicar

Christmas Nativity Play



Sunday School Christmas Celebrations



The Carol Service





CATHEDRAL
of Christ the Living Saviour



Come join the
Youth
Jubilee Cycle Parade

as we trace the steps from inception to date....!

From ;

Christ Church Mutuwal (Start at 2:30 pm)

To;

Cathedral Of Christ the Living Saviour

(by 5:30pm - fellowship soon after)



14th January 2023





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 - JANUARY 2023

Date: 1st January 2023 – New Year’s Day - Christmas 1

Theme: “Holy Family”

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 63: 7 - 9	Dhiranjan Canagasabey
Psalm	148	Enosh Randunubandara
Epistle	Hebrews 2: 12 - 18	Avani Wannakuwatte
Gospel	St. Matthew 2: 13 - 23	Patrick Bulner
Intercessions		Sonali Amarasekera

Date: 8th January 2023 – Christmas 2 & First Sunday after Epiphany

The Baptism of our Lord

Theme: Manifestation in Christ’s Baptism

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 42: 1 - 9	Himani Peiris
Psalm	29	Amrith Samarasinghe
Epistle	Acts 10: 34 - 43	Brian Selvadurai
Gospel	St. Matthew 3: 13 - 17	Daphne William
Intercessions		Thayalan Gnanapragasam

Date: 15th January 2023 – Christmas 3 & Second Sunday after Epiphany

Theme: Manifestation in Answering God’s Call

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 49: 1 – 7	Shriyantha Senaratne
Psalm	40: 1 - 111	Promise Boco
Epistle	1 Corinthians 1: 1 - 9	Dr.Chandini Perera
Gospel	St. John 1: 29 - 42	Niroshala Manuel
Intercessions		Sukanya Devarajan

Date: 22nd January 2023 - Christmas 4 – Third Sunday after Epiphany

Unity Sunday

Theme: Do Good: Seek Justice

Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 1: 12 - 18	Rozanne Kaluthotage
Psalm	42	Pranavan Rockwood
Epistle	Epiphany 2: 13 - 22	Indranee Senanayake
Gospel	St. Matthew 25: 31 - 40	Patrick Bulner
Intercessions		Jill Mackdonald

LECTIONARY - JANUARY 2023

Date: 29th January 2023 – Christmas 5 – Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Church of Ceylon Sunday

Theme: Jesus the Light of World

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament Lesson	Micah 6: 1 - 8	Amenda Sanders
Psalm	15	Jason Senanayake
Epistle	1 Corinthians 1: 18 - 31	Sonali Amarasekera
Gospel	St. Matthew 5: 1 - 12	Dhilan Mitchell
Intercessions		

HOLY DAYS/ FESTIVALS & OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

1 st Jan	Circumcision and Naming of Jesus
6 th Jan	The feast of the Epiphany
8 th Jan	Epiphany Sunday
22 nd Jan	Unity Sunday
25 th Jan	Conversion of St. Paul
29 th Jan	Presentation & Church of Ceylon Youth Movement Sunday

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/>

~ Compiled and edited by the Cathedral Media Team ~