

# CATHEDRAL NEWSLETTER

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April 2023

**Resurrection**



**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:** As we enter passion week during the first week of the month as part of our Lenten walk, we will try to relive the last days of our Lord's earthly life. As we recall the pain, betrayal, rejection and denial that our Lord himself bore for our sake, we realise that some of these areas or all of them are very much a part of our life's journey. Most importantly our faith journey doesn't end at the tomb, but it is the starting point or the spring board for the new life and hope we discover in the resurrected Jesus. May his pilgrim presence be our hope, consolation and joy at all times.

**Nation:** The manner in which the authorities have circumvented the local election is a blow to democracy in our country. A decision of this nature in the best interest of the country should have ideally been made after an understanding was reached with all the stakeholders. The reaction to this indifferent and callous decision will eventually be seen and experienced in the months to come.

While the government has secured a bailout from the lending agencies, we need to keep in mind that these are not grants but further loans being taken over our existing loans. It is really mystifying.

The failure to have proper accountability structures in place could well mean that we could have a repeat of this kind of crisis in the years to come.

## Life in the Cathedral

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Cathedral:** The Bishop Cyril Abeynaike Memorial Lecture will take place on the 13<sup>th</sup> of May 2023 at 5.30 pm. Dr Ravi Fernando will speak on 'Climate Change - should the Church Respond'. All are invited.

**Community Kitchen (CK):** Our community kitchen continues to function twice a week. I am extremely grateful to God for His provision to sustain this initiative amidst the current economic crisis.

We need the help of volunteers to help with the distribution of food. If you can be with us on Monday and Friday between 4 pm and 5.45 pm you are welcome to join. I commend this appeal to your support.

**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](mailto: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:** Even though the Pastoral care team may be stretched at this time, please do not hesitate to contact me in case of a Pastoral emergency.

Thanking you,  
With Prayers and Blessings  
Yours Sincerely,

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

**Ven. Perry Brohier**  
Vicar

## HOLY DAYS/ FESTIVALS & OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Palm or Passion Sunday
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Maundy Thursday
7 <sup>th</sup> April	Good Friday
8 <sup>th</sup> April	Holy Saturday
9 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Day
24 <sup>th</sup> April	Feast of St. Mark the Evangelist

## MOTHERING (PARENTING SUNDAY)

Mothering Sunday was observed on the 19th of March 2023 (the 4th Sunday in Lent) with the Sunday School children participating in the service. It was so encouraging to have our children lead the service, read lessons and lead the prayers of the people.

The Rev. John Attenborough the Regional Director for the Mission to Seafarers Middle East and South Asia was our guest preacher. Fr. John works with the Mission in Cyprus and serves as a Clergyman in the Province of Jerusalem, the Middle East, Cyprus and the Gulf.



## KIDS IN CHRIST

As a part of our 50th Anniversary Celebration, a programme for children under the theme 'Kids in Christ' was held on Sunday 26th March 2023.

The children from St. John's Home at Moratuwa joined our Sunday School children for a morning of activity and fun.

All the children participated in the 8.30 am service and again it was so refreshing to have the children lead the congregation in worship, do the scripture readings and lead the prayers of the people.

Thereafter the children were engaged in a lot of group activity, fun and games. They were also treated to a magic show. The morning's programme came to a close with everyone having lunch together.

The Sunday school teachers and students need to be commended for their efforts to raise the required finances for the entire programme through the many breakfast sales they did.

Well done everyone!







**CATHEDRAL**  
of Christ the Living Saviour



THE CHOIR OF THE CATHEDRAL OF  
CHRIST THE LIVING SAVIOUR PRESENTS

# Never Thirst Again

A PASSIONTIDE MUSICAL



SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2023 AT 7PM  
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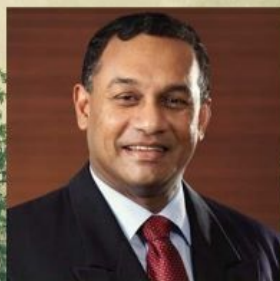
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# CLIMATE CHANGE- SHOULD THE CHURCH RESPOND?

SATURDAY MAY 13 2023 AT 5.30 PM



**Dr Ravi Fernando**

## **BISHOP CYRIL ABEYNAIKE MEMORIAL LECTURE**

Cathedral of Christ  
the Living Saviour



# LECTIONARY - APRIL 2023

**Date: 2nd April 2023– Passion / Palm Sunday (6th Sunday in Lent)**

**Theme : “The Way of the Cross”**

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament	Isaiah 50: 4 – 9a	Praveena Herat
Psalms	Psalms 31: 9 - 16	Amanda Vincent
Epistle	Philippians 2: 5 - 11	Shriyantha Senaratne
Gospel	St. Matthew 27: 14 - 54	Nissi Randunubandara / Danielle Jesumaney
Intercessions		Jill Macdonald

**Date: 9th April 2023 – The Feast of the Resurrection – Easter Day**

**Theme: “Christ is Risen”**

Old Testament	Jeremiah 31: 1 - 6	Shanthikumar Sadanandan
Psalms	118: 1 – 2, 14 - 24	Navvya Wannakuwatte
Epistle	Colossians 3; 1 - 4	Jason Senanayake
Gospel	St. Matthew 28: 1 - 10	Indarane Senanayake
Intercessions		Thayalan Gnanapragasam

**Date: 16th April 2023 – 2nd Sunday of Easter**

**Theme: “My Lord and My God”**

Old Testament	Acts 2: 14, 22 - 32	Niroshala Manuel
Psalms	16	Menash Gamalathge
Epistle	1 Peter 1: 3 - 9	Radhika Salgado
Gospel	St. John 20: 19 - 31	Pranavan Rockwood
Intercessions		Daphne Charles

**Date: 23rd April 2023- 3rd Sunday of Easter**

**Theme: “They Recognised the Lord at the Breaking o Bread”)**

Old Testament	Acts 2: 14, 36 - 41	Darren White
Psalms	116: 1 – 4, 12 - 19	Aanya Samarasinhe
Epistle	1 Peter 1: 17 - 23	Derrick William
Gospel	St. Luke 24: 13 - 35	Yanithra Ferdinando
Intercessions		Dharshini Masilamaney

# LECTIONARY - APRIL 2023

**Date: 30th April 2023- 4th Sunday of Easter**  
**Theme: "Jesus the Good Shepherd")**

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament	Acts 2: 42 - 47	Cyril Amarasekera
Psalm	23	Jenaya Jeewakumaran
Epistle	1 Peter 2; 19 - 25	Dr.Chandini Perera
Gospel	St. john 10: 1 – 10	Dhilan Mitchell
Intercessions		Parshene Rodrigo



**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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## 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](http://www.cathedral.lk)

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

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