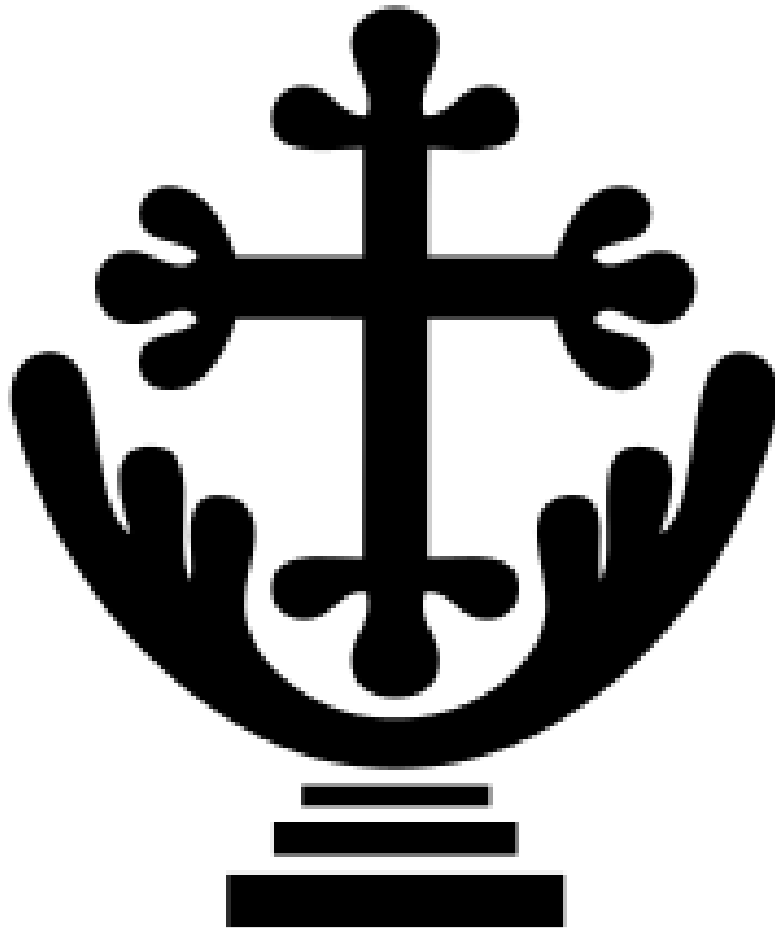


CATHEDRAL
of Christ the Living Saviour

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July 2023

Church of Ceylon 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: As we progress through Ordinary Time in our Liturgical calendar, our focus of attention would now move to the Mission and Ministry of the Church.

Nation: With so much uncertainty prevailing over observing the actual implications of the Domestic Debt Restructuring that is taking place, once again the issue that surfaces in the minds of the citizens is accountability.

The current turmoil is the result of poor management by those in office for successive years and it is almost like poetic justice that the very people who have elected these leaders that have failed the nation are now called to carry the brunt of their mismanagement.

It will be even more interesting to know if there has been some element of political maturity and realization among the citizens of the country who struggle at this time.

Pilgrimage: The pilgrimage to remember and commemorate the arrival of the people of the plantation community will take place from 27th July – 12th August 2023. Please find extensive details as to how one can participate in it in this edition of the newsletter.

Life at the Cathedral

Solar Panels – Socially Responsible Worshipping Community: In an effort to transform ourselves into a socially responsible worshipping community I am happy to inform you that the project launched on the 4th of June 2023 was closed within 10 days.

We are now in the process of processing the preliminary documentation to complete the process of installation. I wish to thank everyone who supported this very pressing need.

Annual General Meeting: We have completed our Annual General Meeting on the 25th of June 2023. With it I have completed my last formal meeting with the congregation before I move out at the end of this year.

I am happy to inform you that the Bishop has appointed the following persons to serve on the Cathedral Finance and Administration Committee (CFAC): Romesh David, Dharshini Masilamani, Shanika Rodrigo, Yohan Perera, Renu Samarasinghe, Sonali Amerasekera, Akmal Wickremanayake and Eshan de Mel.

While we welcome Eshan de Mel into the CFAC, we also say very thank you to Ivyin Jesumaney for his support during his tenure on the CFAC.

50th Anniversary of the Cathedral: On the 24th of June 2023 we had 12 professional choirs and our Cathedral choir take part in 'Hallelujah! A festival of choirs'. It was indeed a very inspiring and uplifting evening of music with over 325 voices singing in a gathering of over 2100 people.

Confirmation Service: The confirmation service will take place on Sunday 23rd July 2023 at 8.30 am. Your prayers will be appreciated for the candidates being prepared to be presented to the Bishop for confirmation.

Cathedral Pola: After the lapse of a few years preparations are being made for the Cathedral Pola on Sunday 17th September 2023. Tara Ramanayake is working with a team of persons who are planning out this year's Pola. This planning and the Pola itself is an opportunity for the entire Community to come together to build and strengthen their bonds of fellowship and work to raise the required funds for the work of the Cathedral Worshipping Community. Your fullest support to the team of volunteers engaged in this task would be appreciated gratefully.

Community Kitchen (CK): I also wish to convey my gratitude to all our donours who so selflessly, sacrificially and generously support this community initiative financially.

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: 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,



Ven. Perry Brohier
Vicar



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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LADIES' COLLEGE CHOIR VISITS THE CATHEDRAL



FR. DESMOND'S VISIT TO THE CATHEDRAL



“HALLELUJAH!” A FESTIVAL OF CHOIRS

Hallelujah! a festival of choirs comprising 12 of the leading choirs in the country together with our very own Cathedral choir, was held on Saturday 24th June 2023 at the Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour.

The following choirs participated:

- Asteria – Female Voice Choir
- Choro Benedicte
- Menaka Singera
- Noted
- The Lylie Godridge Singers
- The Petrerite Choir
- The Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour
- Bishop’s College PPA Choir
- Ladies’ College OGA Choir
- Metho Cantanti
- Sangeet
- The Old Joes Choir
- The Revelations

As the choirs sang to a congregation of over 2000 people. The evening proceedings came to a close with over 300 voices uniting to sing the Hallelujah chorus as one with Ishan de Lanerolle directing the combine choir.





CHATHEDRAL AGM 2023



MANNAI NOKKIYA YATHRAI 2023



MANNAI NOKKIYA YATHRAI

A pilgrimage to remember and commemorate 200
Years of the Malaiyaha Makkals in Sri Lanka!

27TH JULY - 12TH AUGUST 2023

Join Us!

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Email us:

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THE ROUTE

JULY 27TH

MEET AT TALAIMANNAR

JULY 28TH

LAUNCH EVENT IN TALAIMANNAR

Part I

JULY 29TH - AUG 2ND

TALAIMANNAR - PESALAI - MANNAR
TOWN - MURUNKAN - MADHU

An extra day will be allocated to visit
the Madhu Shrine (Aug 2nd)

Part III

AUGUST 6TH - 10TH

MEDAWACHCHIYA - MIHINTALE -
TIRAPPANE - KEKIRAWA - DAMBULLA

An extra day will be allocated to visit
the Golden Temple (Aug 10th)

Part II

AUGUST 3RD - 5TH

MADHU - CHEDDIKULUM -
MEDAWACHCHIYA

An extra day will be spent in
Medawachchiya (Aug 5th)

Pilgrims from Vavuniya will join the
main Pilgrimage

Part IV

AUGUST 11TH & 12TH

DAMBULLA - NALANDA - MATALE

Final event in Matale



HOW TO JOIN?

CORE TEAM



Be part of the **Core Team** that tackles the full 16 day experience. Take the opportunity to truly challenge yourself by voluntarily engaging in what would have been the norm of travel for the Malahaya community when they arrived in Sri Lanka.

VISITOR



Join us as a **Visitor**, partaking in segments of the journey that interest you the most. This way, you have the freedom to engage in the pilgrimage whilst also having the time to further explore the areas through which our journey will take you.

ACTIVITY LEADER



Be an **Activity Leader** by taking over one of the many interesting tasks and campaigns that we would be engaging our participants in during this journey.

VOLUNTEER



Volunteer with us! There are many facets to this pilgrimage and we could use all the help we can get. Participate through acts of kindness like distributing water bottles and snacks at designated stations to help ease the journey for our participants.

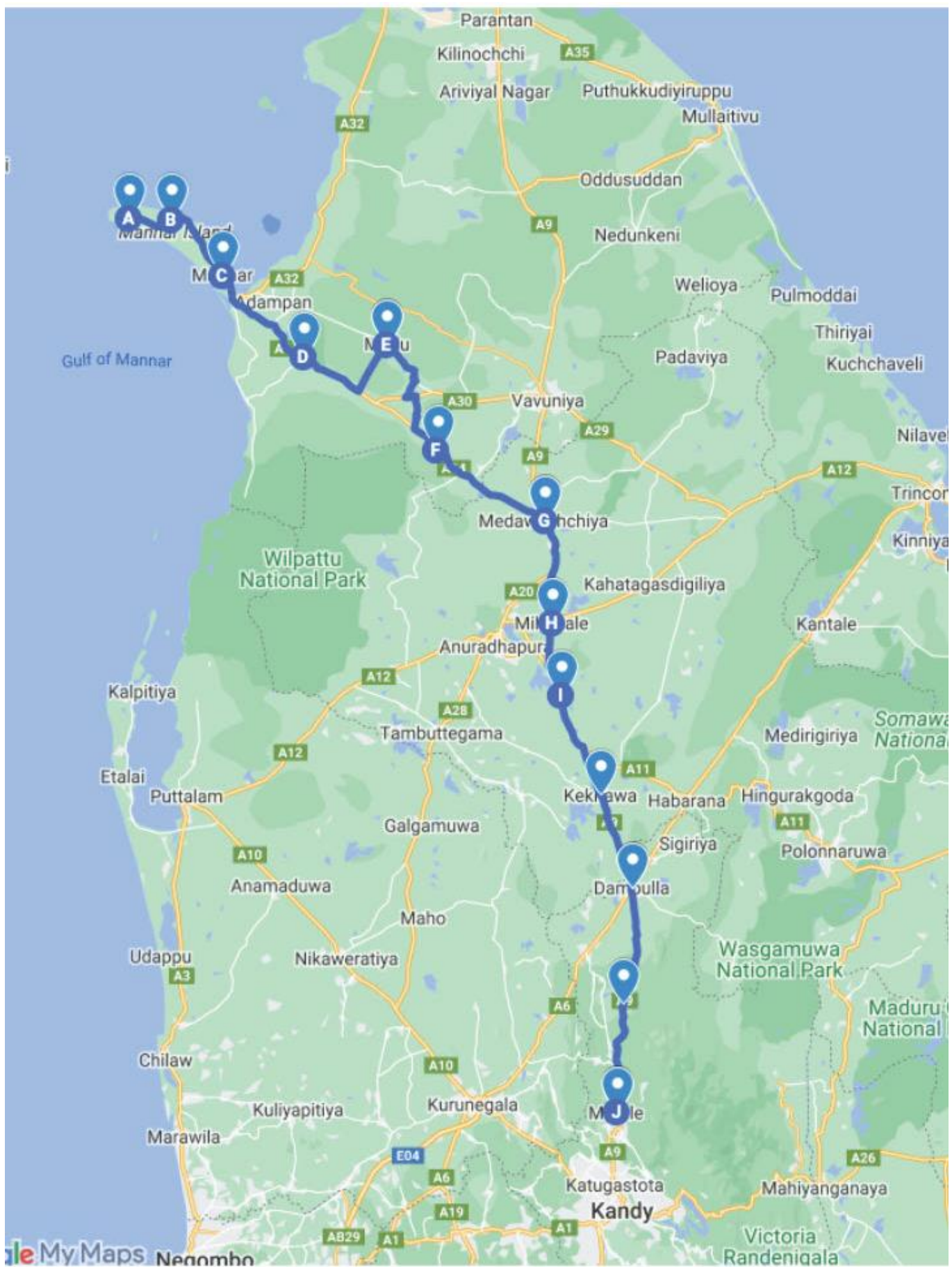


FOR MORE INFORMATION

TALK TO US

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Please note that certain information is subject to changes. Send us an email by June 15th to confirm participation!



Malayaga Makkal – Pilgrimage Route

27th July	- Core group of walkers meet in Mannar - St. Lawrence's Church, Talaimannar	
28th July	- Launch Function	
Day 1 – 29th July	- Talaimannar - Pesalai – Church of Our Lady of Victory	– 15km
Day 2 – 30th July	- Pesalai - Mannar Town – Methodist Church	– 16km
Day 3 – 31st July	- Mannar Town - Murunkan – Methodist Church	– 26km
Day 4 – 1st August	- Murunkan - Madhu – Madhu Shrine	– 26km
Day 5 – 2nd August	- Rest / Function	
Day 6 – 3rd August	- Madhu Junction - Cheddikulam – St. Anthony's Church	– 23km
<i>Parallel event: Vanni group walks with Rev. Ebenezer and Bishop Dushantha to join the core group in Mediwachchiya</i>		
Day 7 – 4th August	- Cheddikulam - Medawachchiya – St. Joseph's Church	– 26km
<i>Parallel event: Vanni group walks with Rev. Ebenezer and Bishop Dushantha to join the core group in Mediwachchiya</i>		
<i>- Vavuniya (Holy Spirit Church)– Mediwachchiya (St. Joseph's Church) – 26km</i>		
Day 8 – 5th August	- Rest / Function	
Day 9 – 6th August	- Medawachchiya - Mihintale	– 22km
Day 10 – 7th August	- Mihintale - Tirappane – St. Therese of Lisieux	– 18km
Day 11 – 8th August	- Tirappane - Kekirawa – Baptist Church	– 22km
Day 12 – 9th August	- Kekirawa - Dambulla – Golden Temple	– 22km
Day 13 – 10th August	- Rest / Function	
Day 14 – 11th August	- Dambulla - Nalanda – Sri Nalandarama Viharaya	– 22km
Day 15 – 12 August	- Nalanda - Matale – Christ Church, Matale	– 24km

Followed by function and lunch

LECTIONARY - JULY 2023

Date: 2nd July 2023 – Proper 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: “Welcome those who bring the Good News of the Lord”

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament	Jeremiah 28: 5 - 9	Sriyantha Senaratne
Psalms	13	Angela Vincent
Epistle	Romans 6: 12- 23	Patrick Bulner
Gospel	St. Matthew 10: 40 -42	Anushka Tennekoon
Intercessions		Sukanya Devarajan

Date: 9th July 2023 – Proper 9th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Church of Ceylon Sunday & Sea and Air Farers Sunday

Theme: “Take my yoke upon you and learn from me”

Old Testament	Zachariah 9: 9 - 12	Dilsarah Derrick
Psalms	86: 11 - 17	Manisha Sanders
Epistle	Romans 8: 12 - 25	Jenaya Jeewakumaran
Gospel	St. Matthew 11: 16 - 19, 25 - 30	Promise Boco
Intercessions		Mahen Perera

Date: 16th July 2023 – Proper 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: “Proclaiming the Gospel”

Old Testament	Isaiah 55: 10 -13	Cyril Amarasekera
Psalms	65: 9 - 13	Himani Peiris
Epistle	Romans 8: 1 – 11	Nilojan Sajiththan
Gospel	St. Matthew 13: 1 – 9 & 18 – 23	Shamara Herat
Intercessions		Jill Macdonald

Date: 23rd July 2023 – Proper 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: “Patience”

Old Testament	Genesis 28: 10 - 19	Anika Gamalathge
Psalms	139: 1 – 12, 23 - 24	Shanaya Kaluthotage
Epistle	Romans 8: 12 - 25	Shyan Muthumudalige
Gospel	St. Matthew 13: 24 – 30 & 36 - 43	Amrith Samarasinghe
Intercessions		Darren William

Date: 30th July 2023 - Proper 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: "Treasures in Heaven"

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament	1 Kings 3: 5 - 12	Radhika Salgado
Psalm	119: 129 - 136	Kesiah Lakshendrakumar
Epistle	Romans 8: 26 - 39	Pranavan Rockwood
Gospel	St. Matthew 13: 31 – 34 & 44 - 52	Dhilan Mitchell
Intercessions		Shanti Gnanapragasam

HOLY DAYS/ FESTIVALS & OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

3 rd July	Declaration of Faith by St. Thomas the Apostle's Day
8 th July	Church of Ceylon Day
20 th July	Feast of St. Margret
22 nd July	Feast of Mary Magdalene
25 th July	Feast of St. James the Great, Apostle and Martyr
29 th July	Mary, Martha & Lazarus Companions of our Lord



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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