



St. Thomas' CATHEDRAL

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Barnabas the Apostle

TEXT FOR THE DAY

He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great number of people were brought to the Lord.
(Acts of the Apostle 11: 24)

St. Barnabas was a prominent early Christian figure and disciple of Jesus Christ. He is first mentioned in the Bible in the Acts of the Apostles, where he is described as a “good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith.” He was a cousin of Mark, the writer of the gospel by that name. God appointed him as an apostle with Paul to the Gentiles (Acts 13:2-3; 14:14). He spent many years preaching the gospel in lands far distant from both Jerusalem and Cyprus.

His kindness, generosity and forgiving nature helped console and encourage many. He encouraged the brethren with the hope that they would be raised incorruptible at Christ’s return and consoled them with the knowledge that “as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds through Christ” (II Corinthians 1:5).

We too can be of great help and comfort to each other if we take the time to be like Barnabas, sons and daughters of encouragement.

Choral Eucharist

Sunday 11th June 2023 • 8.45 am

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

We are the mother church of the Diocese of Bombay in the Church of North India, a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Christian worship has been offered to God here for over 300 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

The basis for our worship is the *Book of Common Prayer*, our common liturgical heritage with Anglicans across the world (all churches descended from the Church of England). We are rooted in tradition but celebrate the richness and diversity of the Communion. Music and hymnody represent the best of the Anglican choral tradition.

Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper from *The Book of Common Prayer* (refer page numbers).
The hymns can be found in *The English Hymnal*.



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Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Welcome

All stand and face the West Door

Opening Acclamation

The Presbyter

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are those who,
with a noble and generous heart,
take the Word of God to themselves
**and yield a harvest through their
perseverance.**

All

Alleluia!

Blessed is Barnabas,
who was worthy to be numbered
among the Apostles,
**for he was a good man,
filled with the Holy Spirit and with faith.**
Grant that the Gospel of Christ,
which Barnabas strenuously preached,
may be faithfully proclaimed by word and by deed.
**Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.**

Amen.

The Entrance Hymn

**Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
Their faith in acquiring the habit of prayer,
their depth of adoring, Lord, help us to share.**

**² Some march with events, to turn them God's way;
some need to withdraw, the better to pray;
some carry the gospel through fire and through flood:
our world is their parish: their purpose is God.**

**³ Rejoice in those saints, unpraised and unknown,
who bear someone's cross, or shoulder their own:
they shame our complaining, our comforts, our cares:
what patience in caring, what courage is theirs!**

**⁴ Rejoice in God's saints, today and all days!
A world without saints forgets how to praise.
in loving, in living, they prove it is true:
The way of self-giving, Lord, leads us to you.**

Words: Revd Fred Prat Green (1903 - 2000)

Tune: HANOVER
probably by Dr. Croft (1678 - 1727)

All sit

All say together

The Collect for Purity | **page 260**

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the Day | **page 542**

Read by the Presbyter

Old Testament Reading | **page 542**

Job 29.11 - 16

A reading from the Book of Job

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and say the text printed in bold

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 112 • *Beatus vir*

¹ Alleluia.

Blessed are those who fear the Lord ♦
and have great delight in his commandments.

² Their descendants will be mighty in the land, ♦
a generation of the faithful that will be blest.

³ Wealth and riches will be in their house, ♦
and their righteousness endures for ever.

⁴ Light shines in the darkness for the upright; ♦
gracious and full of compassion are the righteous.

Refrain: The righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.

⁵ It goes well with those who are generous in lending ♦
and order their affairs with justice,

⁶ For they will never be shaken; ♦
the righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.

⁷ They will not be afraid of any evil tidings; ♦
their heart is steadfast, trusting in the Lord.

Refrain: The righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.

⁸ Their heart is sustained and will not fear, ♦
until they see the downfall of their foes.

⁹ They have given freely to the poor;
their righteousness stands fast for ever; ♦
their head will be exalted with honour.

¹⁰ The wicked shall see it and be angry;
they shall gnash their teeth in despair; ♦
the desire of the wicked shall perish.

Refrain: The righteous will be held in everlasting remembrance.

**Generous God,
save us from the meanness
that calculates its interest and hoards its earthly gain;
as we have freely received,
so may we freely give;
in the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

All sit

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and join in singing

Gradual Hymn

**I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
I have decided to follow Jesus;
no turning back, no turning back.**

² **The world behind me, the cross before me;
the world behind me, the cross before me;
the world behind me, the cross before me;
no turning back, no turning back.**

³ **Though none go with me, still I will follow;
though none go with me, still I will follow;
though none go with me, still I will follow;
no turning back, no turning back.**

⁴ **My cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus;
my cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus;
my cross I'll carry, till I see Jesus;
no turning back, no turning back.**

Words: Sadhu Sundar Singh (1889 - c. 1929)

Tune: ASSAM
Indian folk melody

Remain standing for the Gospel and the Creed

All **Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia, alleluia.**



Gospeller The Lord be with you.
All **And with thy spirit.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John.
Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
All **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Remain standing for the Creed, all reciting together

The Nicene Creed | *page 265*

Sermon

The Revd Avinash Rangaya

Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant We are fellow-citizens with the saints and of the household
of God, through Christ our Lord, who came and preached
peace to those who were far off and those who were near.
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **and also with you.**

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour

Preparation of the Table

*The altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine.
At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral.
Thank you for your generosity.*

All join in singing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 222

The Son of Consolation!

Tune: AURELIA # 489

See inside front cover for bank details to make your offering.

All say

Offertory Prayer | page 270

All sit

Kneel as able or remain seated

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

We pray for the coming of God's kingdom.
You sent your Son to bring good news to the poor,
sight to the blind,
freedom to captives
and salvation to your people:
anoint us with your Spirit;
rouse us to work in his name.

All

Father, by your Spirit
bring in your kingdom.
Send us to bring help to the poor
and freedom to the oppressed.
Father, by your Spirit
bring in your kingdom.
Send us to tell the world
the good news of your healing love.
Father, by your Spirit
bring in your kingdom.
Send us to those who mourn,
to bring joy and gladness instead of grief.
Father, by your Spirit
bring in your kingdom.

Send us to proclaim that the time is here
for you to save your people.
Father, by your Spirit
bring in your kingdom.
Send us out in to the world
to live out the command of Jesus
like Barnabas did. To risk loving without limits
and to encourage and support others with practical help,
standing alongside them in times of need.
Father, by your Spirit
bring in your kingdom.
Grant that the Gospel of Christ,
which Barnabas strenuously preached,
may be faithfully proclaimed by word and by deed.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
Lord of the Church,
hear our prayer,
and make us one in mind and heart
to serve you in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The General Confession & Absolution | *page 275, 276*

The Consecration | *page 277*

The Communion | *page 284*

Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion

During the administration of Communion, while seated we sing

Hymn

**Make me a channel of your peace.
Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.**

Continued. Turn over.

Refrain **Oh, master, grant that I may never seek
so much to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand;
to be loved, as to love with all my soul.**

² **Make me a channel of Your peace.
Where there's despair in life let me bring hope;
where there is darkness, only light;
and where there's sadness, ever joy.**

³ **Make me a channel of Your peace.
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
in giving to all men that we receive;
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.**

Words: Based on St. Luke 6: 38

Music: Sebastian Temple (1928 - 1997)
attributed to Francis of Assisi (1182 - 1226)

The Thanksgiving | *page 287*

All stand and sing

Gloria in Excelsis | *page 288*

The Blessing

The Presbyter

God, who has prepared for you a city with eternal foundations,
bring you, with all the saints,
to the eternal and triumphant joy of that city;
And the blessing of God almighty,
† the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

All join in singing

Hymn at the Closing

**Standing on the promises of Christ, my King,
through eternal ages let his praises ring;
glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,
standing on the promises of God.**

Continued

Refrain: **Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God, my Saviour;
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.**

**² Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God.**

**³ Standing on the promises of Christ, the Lord,
bound to him eternally by love's strong cord,
overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword,
standing on the promises of God.**

**⁴ Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
listening every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Saviour as my all in all,
standing on the promises of God.**

Words: Russell Kelso Carter (1849 - 1928)

Tune: PROMISES
Russell Kelso Carter

The Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

Presbyter

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All

In the name of Christ. Amen.

Please stay back after the service for a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee.
Introduce yourself to the Presbyter if you are worshipping with us for the first time.

Birthdays this Week

*"May God's goodness and love follow you all the days of your life,
and you dwell in the house of the Lord forever."*

Psalm 23:6

Rohan Banja (11), Susan Frazer (11), Joanna Dawson (12), Zara Jadhav (16),
Kiaan Millns (16), Aiden Millns (16), Bhaskar Ghose (17)

Wedding Anniversary this Week

*"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other,
just as in Christ God forgave you."*

Ephesians 4:32

Sathya & Angelina Godson (17)

- We express our gratitude to Dr. Ivan John for playing the organ at the service this morning. Ivan is the organist of All Saints' Church, Malabar Hill.

Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** Pray for all displaced people and refugees seeking asylum.

† **OUR COUNTRY** For a peaceful solution to the ongoing conflict in Manipur. For the safety and well being of Christians in the state.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** For all churches and institutions named after Barnabas the Apostle. • With the Church universal we give thanks to God for the life and witness of the 4th century theologian, Basil of Caesarea (commemorated 14th June.) His influence on the Church has been profound in helping define and clarify the doctrine of the Trinity from a biblical perspective. • In the *Anglican Communion* for the Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia and the Most Revd Philip Richardson, the Most Revd Don Tamihere and the Right Revd Sione Uluilakepa.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** For the Church of North India's Diocese of Jabalpur and the Moderator's Commissary the Right Reverend Sameer Khimla. • For the Church of South India's Diocese of Krishna-Godavari (Andhra Pradesh) and for the Right Reverend Tanteputi George Cornelious .

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** For Bethel Church (Tamil pastorate), Chembur and the Reverend Jebas Augustin. • For all clergy and laity of the diocese. For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in providing leadership for the Diocese.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** For all senior citizens and their care providers • Pray for God's guidance to all pupils as they plan for their higher education. • For the Cathedral's Youth Fellowship and their ministry.

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