



St. Thomas' CATHEDRAL

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The Church of North India

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TEXT FOR THE DAY

Jesus turned and saw her. "Take heart, daughter," he said, "your faith has healed you." And the woman was healed at that moment.

Matthew 9:22

Jesus relates wonderfully with people who have faith. Faith establishes a strong relationship between Jesus and ourselves, and so his power flows to us.

In your prayer you might focus on how you touch Jesus and how he touches or moves you. This is effected by your faith, as a knowledge born of love, or of Jesus' love for you and yours for Him.

Jesus moves between those who are in the public eye and those who want not to be noticed; whoever I am, he is ready to listen to what I ask – even to answer the prayer I am unwilling to voice.

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Choral Eucharist † Sunday 19th November 2023 • 8.45 a.m.

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 ***Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard***



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Order of Service

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

The Gathering

Voluntary

Prelude on an old Irish church melody

... .. Charles V. Stanford, *Op. 101 No. 5* (1852 - 1924)

Prayer for Peace Charles Demorest (1886 - 1950)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship.

Introit

Sung by the choir

Precious Lord prince of peace,
pure and holy is Thy name.
As we come to Thee in prayer
draw us close to Thee.
In our weakness, in our fears,
be our strength and shield.
Enter every trembling heart
grant serenity.

Sebastian Anchees

All stand and face the West Door.

Invitation to Worship

The Presbyter May we always remember, O Master, your saving touch,
All **and be Christ's hands in the world for others.**

May we remember that the power to heal
is more holy than the power to destroy,
as Jesus's life on Earth taught us.

Continued

³ For the rod of the ungodly cometh not into the lot of the righteous : lest the righteous put their hand unto wickedness.

⁴ Do well, O Lord : unto those that are good and true of heart.

⁵ As for such as turn back unto their own wickedness : the Lord shall lead them forth with the evil-doers; but peace shall be upon Israel.

All stand Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
 And to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
 World without end. Amen.

All sit

The Epistle | **page 509**

Colossians 1.3 - 12

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

All stand and sing.

Gradual Hymn | **# 509**

Rise and hear! The Lord is speaking

Tune: SUSSEX

*Remain standing for the Gospel
as the cantor sings the Alleluia and we respond.*

The Gospel of Christ | **page 509**

St. Matthew 9:18 - 26

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

But to you, Lord, I make my prayer at an acceptable time: answer me,

O God, in your abundant goodness, and with your sure deliverance.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleuia.

The Gospeller The Lord be with you.

All **And with thy spirit.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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*

All sit

Sermon

The Reverend Avinash Rangayya, *Cathedral Presbyter*

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant

Blessed are the peacemakers:

they shall be called children of God.

We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you. *cf Matthew 5.19*

All

and also with you.

Members of the congregation greet one another.

Remain standing to sing the offertory hymn.

At this time the altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine and the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. Thank you for your generosity.

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

All sing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 126

The King of love my shepherd is

Tune: DOMINUS REGIT ME

All say

Offertory Prayer | *page 270*

*We keep a moments silence as a candle is lit
to symbolise God's light in this time of conflict and depair in the Holy Land.
Kneel as able or remain seated*

The Intercession | **page 592 (A)**

The General Confession & Absolution | **pages 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 | **# 261**

Once, only once, and once for all

Tune: ALBANO

The Thanksgiving | **page 287**

All stand and sing.

Gloria in Excelsis | **page 288**

The Blessing

The Presbyter

The peace of God, which passes all understanding
keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God,
and of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord;
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 | **# 512**

'The kingdom is upon you!'

Tune: ELLACOMBE # 75

From the West Door the Presbyter says

The Dismissal

Presbyter Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
All In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

Allegro maestoso e vivaceFelix Mendelssohn, Op. 65 No. 2 (1809 - 1847)

**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

*“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
which God prepared in advance for us to do.”*

Ephesians 2:10

Roshan Thomas (19), Eadrick Knox (21)

Notices

- The Reverend Shamuvel G. Mhaske passed away on Friday 17th November 2023. Revd. Mhaske was a senior presbyter in the diocese. He was currently serving as the presbyter of St. Andrew’s Church, Agripada. We thank God for the life and many years of faithful ministry of Revd. Mhaske. Pray for God’s comfort to his wife Mrs. Verunika Mhaske and sons Shalom and Shalomith.
- An early morning prayer session (online) is conducted every Monday from 6 a.m. to 6.30 a.m. If you would like to log in, contact the Presbyter.
- Advent this year begins on Sunday 3rd December. This marks the beginning of a new liturgical year for the Church. Join us for a service on 2nd December to prepare for the Season.

Cathedral ministries... ..

Get involved!

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| • Sunday School | Sunday morning during term time |
| • Women’s Fellowship | 2 nd Sunday of the month 10.45 am |
| • Youth Fellowship | 2 nd & 4 th Sunday of the month 10.45 am |
| • Choir | Sunday 10.45 am and occasionally Saturday |

Prayer for peace in the Holy Land

Pray not for Arab or Jew, Palestinian or Israeli,
but rather for ourselves
that we might not divide them in our prayers,
but keep them both together in our hearts.

(Based on a prayer of a Palestinian Christian)



An Advent

Sequence

A short service of quiet reflection and preparation on the eve of Advent


Saturday 2nd December 2023 • 6.30 pm

The words from Isaiah 9:2-7 prepare us to receive Christ as the child who comes to us in Bethlehem. Isaiah's words also prepare us to receive Christ when he comes again in power.

Sing much-loved Advent hymns and listen to choral and organ music for Advent.

All are welcome

Advent and Christmas at the Cathedral 2023

Eucharist services	Carol services, seasonal music & Nativity play
Sun 3 rd Dec First Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	Sat 2 nd Dec "Come, Lord Jesus" 6.30 pm <i>An Advent sequence</i>
Sun 10 th Dec Second Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	Sun 10 th Dec Christmas music from around the world 7 pm <i>with the Paranjoti choir</i>
Sun 17 th Dec Third Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	Fri 15 th Dec Carol service of The Cathedral School 9 am
Sun 24 th Dec Fourth Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	Sun 17 th Dec Nativity play by the Sunday School and Christmas get together 10.45 am
Christmas Eve • Sun 24 th Dec 10 pm - Christmas music 10.45 pm - Festival Choral Eucharist with blessing of crib	Sun 17 th Dec A Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols <i>with the Cathedral choir and guest singers</i> 6.30 pm
The Nativity of our Lord Christmas Day • Mon 25 th Dec 9 am - Festival Choral Eucharist	Fri 22 nd Dec Organ music for Advent and Christmas 7 pm
Sun 31 st Dec - Sunday after Christmas 7 am, 8.45 am	
Watchnight service New Year's Eve • Sun 31 st Dec 11 pm Choral Eucharist	
The Naming & Circumcision of Jesus Thanksgiving for a new year Mon 1 st January 2024 9 am (said Eucharist)	

All are welcome

Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** Our heartfelt prayers continue for peace in the Holy Land • Pray for relief work in the aftermath of the recent earthquakes in Nepal and the Philippines.

† **OUR COUNTRY** Pray for the safety and well-being of the workers trapped in a tunnel in Uttarakhand. Pray for the emergency personnel involved in the rescue operations • Pray that the alarming levels of rising air pollution may be reversed with responsible action by all.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** The Church commemorates the 15th century monk and mystic, Thomas à Kempis on 20th November. Thomas was the author of *The Imitation of Christ*, which is one of the best known Christian books on devotion • John of the Cross (1542 - 91) is commemorated on 24th November. He was a brilliant writer of mystical theology and poetry. His many writings deal with the passion of Our Lord. • In the *Anglican Communion* - The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma) and the Most Revd Stephen Than Myint Oo.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** The Diocese of Chotanagpur and the Right Reverend Basil B. Baskey • The Diocese of Jaffna (Sri Lanka) and the Right Reverend Dr. V. Pathmathayalan • For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the selection of the Moderator of the Church of South India.

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** St. Christopher's Church (Marathi Pastorate) and the Reverend Sunil Awale.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** All senior citizens and those who are unwell. Pray for all care providers • This week for the Cathedral servers and lay readers.

Grant me, O Lord, to know what I ought to know,
to love what I ought to love,
to praise what delights Thee most,
to value what is precious in Thy sight,
to hate what is offensive to Thee.
Do not suffer me to judge
according to the sight of my eyes,
nor to pass sentence
according to the hearing of the ears of ignorant men;
but to discern with a true judgement
between things visible and spiritual,
and above all,
always to inquire what is the good pleasure of Thy will.

Thomas à Kempis, c. 1380 - 1471

A PRAYER FOR CHURCH MUSICIANS

*22nd November is St. Cecilia's Day.
A martyr of the early Church, Cecilia is regarded as the
Patron Saint of music and musicians.*

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For all whom you inspire to compose music,
for all to whom you give skill and devotion to perform it,
and for all your children who are enriched and renewed by it.....

Let us pray to the Lord:

O Lord, hear our prayer.

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