



ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL  
MUMBAI  
Since 1718



*The Church of North India*  
*A member of the worldwide Anglican Communion*

Sundays 7 am Eucharist (*said*) † 8.45 am Eucharist (*sung*)  
Weekdays 7 am to 6 pm for a time of quiet prayer and reflection

REFLECTIONS FOR THE DAY

*Watch carefully, then, how you walk...*

Ephesians 5:15

As we walk our Christian walk, Paul says, we need to “watch carefully” how we do it. The word translated “carefully” is a word for accuracy and precision. It means to be exact and meticulous. In other words, living the Christian life isn’t just about having big goals and dreams and plans. It’s also about the details. It’s about making sure we’re taking particular care as we put one foot after another, day by day. Paul says that we need to be considered and careful about the nature of our Christian walk. We need to look out, pay attention, take care, think and consider how we walk.

*Watch carefully, then, how you walk,  
not as unwise but as wise people, reclaiming the time,  
because the days are evil.  
So don't be foolish,  
but grasp what the Lord's will is.*

# Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024 • 8.45 a.m.  
*Choral Eucharist*

## 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. For over 300 years, the people of St. Thomas' Cathedral have sought to be a body through which the light of Christ is seen, his life is shared, and his work is done.

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.

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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

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

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## The Gathering

### Voluntary

**Meditation** - Arthur Somervell, 1863 - 1937

**Elegy** - Malcolm Archer, b. 1952

*(Honouring the memory of Mr. Ratan Tata, an alumnus of the Cathedral & John Connon School)*

### Welcome

*All keep silence and prepare for worship.*

### Introit

*Sung by the choir*

We worship and adore Thee,  
Bowing down before Thee,  
Songs of praises singing,  
Hallelujahs ringing.  
Hallelujah! Amen.

*All stand and face the West Door.*

### Call to Worship

*Presbyter* As we gather in this sacred moment for a sacred purpose,  
let us make the most of our time together.

*All* **We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

As we sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs,  
let us make the most of our time together.

**We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

As we respond to the melody in our hearts,  
let us make the most of our time together.

**We have come to worship the Lord our God.**

*All join in singing the hymn*  
**Immortal, invisible, God only wise**

The Entrance Hymn | # 199

*Tune: ST. DENIO*

*Please be seated*

*All say together*

The Collect for Purity | **page 260**

## *The Liturgy of the Word*

The Collect for the day | **page 497**

*Read by the Presbyter*

The Lesson | **page 498**

*Proverbs 9: 1-6*

A reading from the Book of Joshua.

*At the conclusion of the reading:* This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*Sung by the choir to a chant by Littleton*

**Psalm**

*119: 153 - 160*

*Vide humilitatem*

O CONSIDER mine adversity, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.

<sup>154</sup> Avenge thou my cause, and deliver me : quicken me, according to thy word.

<sup>155</sup> Health is far from the ungodly : for they regard not thy statutes.

<sup>156</sup> Great is thy mercy, O Lord : quicken me, as thou art wont.

<sup>157</sup> Many there are that trouble me, and persecute me : yet do I not swerve from thy testimonies.

<sup>158</sup> It grieveth me when I see the transgressors : because they keep not thy law.

<sup>159</sup> Consider, O Lord, how I love thy commandments : O quicken me, according to thy loving-kindness.

<sup>160</sup> Thy word is true from everlasting : all the judgements of thy righteousness endure for evermore.

*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.

*Please be seated*

## The Epistle | **page 498**

*Ephesians 5:15 - 21*

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

*At the conclusion of the reading:* This is the word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*All stand and join in singing*

## Gradual Hymn

**O Master, let me walk with Thee  
In lowly paths of service free.  
Tell me Thy secret, help me bear  
The strain of toil, the fret of care.**

<sup>2</sup> **Help me the slow of heart to move  
By some clear, winning word of love;  
Teach me the wayward feet to stay,  
And guide them in the homeward way.**

<sup>3</sup> **Teach me thy patience; still with Thee  
In closer, dearer company,  
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong,  
In trust that triumphs over wrong.**

<sup>4</sup> **In hope that sends a shining ray  
Far down the future's broadening way,  
In peace that only Thou canst give.  
With Thee, O Master, let me live.**

Words: Washington Gladden, 1836 - 1918

Tune: MARYTON  
H. Percy Smith, 1825 - 1898

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

## The Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Welcome with meekness the implanted word  
that has the power to save your souls.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

## The Gospel of Christ | **page 499**

*St. Matthew 22: 1 - 14*

*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, all reciting the Creed.*

## The Nicene Creed | **page 265**

*Please be seated.*

## Sermon

The Reverend Avinash T. Rangayya, *Cathedral Presbyter*

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*All stand*

*The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace*

*Celebrant*

Christ is our peace.  
He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.  
We meet in his name and share his peace.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you

*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.*

*All join in singing*

Hymn at the Offertory | # 262

**Alleluia, sing to Jesus!**

*Tune: HYFRYDOL*

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*All say*

Offertory Prayer | **page 270**

*Please be seated*

The Prayers of the People

*Intercessor*

Faithful God,  
sometimes our faith feels weak.  
The trials of life test our faith  
and we find it hard to rejoice.  
Help our faith to grow and help us realize  
that it is the most important thing in our lives.  
Show us how to rise above our human weaknesses  
and to grow stronger in our Christian Faith.  
Lord, in your mercy:

*All*

**Hear our Prayer.**

*Continued*

*Intercessor*

Mighty God,  
help us to see that things which seem completely impossible  
becomes possible, if they are approached with faith.

Lord, in your mercy:

*All*

**Hear our Prayer.**

Creator God,  
we pray for your world.

Forgive us when we are ungrateful,  
when lack of faith and spiritual blindness  
prevents us from appreciating the wonder of your creation  
and the endless cycle of nature.

Forgive us for taking without giving; reaping without sowing.

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our Prayer.**

Father God,  
we pray for this our worshipping community here in the  
Cathedral and for our Diocese.

May each of us be open to the opportunities to give of our  
individual talents enabling each church group to flourish as a  
witness to the “One Body” of the Church.

We pray that each baptized Christian may develop more  
fully his or her response to all the gifts which the Spirit  
bestows for the service of the Body of Christ.

Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our Prayer.**

Living God,  
we pray for the hungry and the homeless,  
the broken and bereaved.

For all for whom this day brings sadness and little joy,  
for the sick, lonely and the helpless,  
for those whose hope has been shattered  
and their faith destroyed. Lord, in your mercy:

**Hear our Prayer.**

Everlasting God,  
we pray for those kept fresh in our memory  
and for those long forgotten.

We pray for mercy and forgiveness for the dead  
and those who mourn them,  
may they find rest in the Spirit’s embrace  
and we commend them to your keeping for ever.



*Intercessor*  
*All*

Lord, in your mercy:  
**Hear our Prayer.**  
Lord of life and love  
we ask you to lead us into the coming week;  
help us to believe that you are close by us.  
**Merciful Father,**  
**accept these prayers**  
**for the sake of your son Jesus Christ,**  
**Amen.**

The General Confession & Absolution | *page 275, 276*  
The Consecration | *page 277*  
The Communion | *page 284*

*Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion*

*While seated, we sing* Hymn at the Communion | # 231  
**O for a closer walk with God** *Tune: CAITHNESS*

*All stand and sing* The Thanksgiving | *page 287*  
Gloria in Excelsis | *page 288*  
The Blessing

*The Presbyter*

May 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*

**There's a spirit in the air**

Recessional Hymn | # 515

*Tune: MONKLAND (# 204)*

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

Postlude

Epilogue - Norman Gilbert, 1912 - 1975

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

Colonel Dhyan Mayadas (13), Daniel Sinate (13), Dr. (Mrs.) Sonal Parmar (15),  
Mr. Nikhil Salvi (15), Mrs. Shilpa Pastala (18), Alethea Rangayya (18)

Romans 2:10

**~ Wedding Anniversary this Week ~**

*"Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves."*

Mr. Johnson Isaac & Mrs. Sarah Isaac (16),  
Mr. Ashok Joshi & Mrs. Rekha Joshi (18),  
Mr. Suresh Patil & Mrs. Anuradha Patil (18),  
Bishop Prakash Patole & Mrs. Smita Patole (19)

**SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST**

18<sup>th</sup> October

Almighty God, who calledst Luke the Physician,  
whose praise is in the Gospel. to be an Evangelist, and physician of the soul:  
May it please thee, that, by the wholesome medicines of the doctrine  
delivered by him, all the diseases of our souls may be healed;  
through the merits of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are placed  
in loving memory of  
late Mrs. Rajathi Moses  
by her daughter Alice Collins.*

## Notices

- Members are reminded to pay their annual subscription. Please update any change in address.
- Parents are encouraged to send their children regularly to Sunday School.
- Old books are laid out near the West Door. Browse and take home any books which may interest you.
- You are requested to take your copy of this service bulletin home with you after the service. Please oblige.
- If you would like to contribute towards flowers in the sanctuary in memory of loved ones, please contact the Presbyter.
- On the inside front cover of this bulletin a QR code has been inserted for ease of making your offertory contributions. Your generosity is appreciated.

### HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
Choral Eucharist 8.45 a.m.



*Come and patronise the food and games stalls.  
Give generously to fund the Cathedral's ministries  
and outreach programmes.*

#### Cathedral ministries... ..

*Get involved!*

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| • Sunday School      | Sunday morning during term time                                  |
| • Women's Fellowship | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month 10.45 a.m.                   |
| • Youth Fellowship   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month 10.45 a.m. |
| • Choir              | Sunday 10.45 a.m. & Saturday 5.30 p.m.                           |

## Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** This week our prayers focus on Europe. Pray for those affected by flooding in Bosnia- Herzegovina. Pray for those who have lost homes and loved ones. Pray too for wisdom in dealing with how we all live and contribute to a warming climate and its impact on the wider world • Pray too for those who have lost loved ones in wars and other conflicts. Pray for wisdom and courage for those in authority to make decisions which prosper peace and cause arms to be laid down.

† **OUR COUNTRY** As a nation we give thanks for the life of the late Mr. Ratan Tata. His visionary leadership and tremendous philanthropic contribution was an inspiration to many. Bombay House (the headquarters of Tata) is our neighbour and we pray for all who mourn his passing. Mr. Tata was a pupil of the Cathedral & John Connon School from 1952 to 1955.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** On 15<sup>th</sup> October the Church commemorates the 16<sup>th</sup> century nun and mystic Teresa of Avila. Teresa was a prominent Spanish mystic, Carmelite nun, and theologian of contemplative life through mental prayer. She was a reformer of the Carmelite Order. Teresa is revered as the *Doctor of Prayer*. The mysticism in her works exerted a formative influence upon many theologians of the following centuries • Henry Martyn (Evangelist) is remembered on 16<sup>th</sup> October. Martyn was an Anglican priest and missionary to the peoples of India and Persia. He arrived in India in April 1806, where he preached and occupied himself in the study of linguistics. Martyn translated the whole of the New Testament into Urdu, Persian and Judaeo-Persic. He also translated the Psalms into Persian and the *Book of Common Prayer* into Urdu. An institution was established in his name in Hyderabad, called the *Henry Martyn Institute: An Interfaith Centre for Reconciliation and Research* • In the Anglican Communion, for The Episcopal Church in the Philippines and Archbishop Brent Alawas.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** The Diocese of Nasik • The Diocese of Madras.

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** For St. John's Church (Tamil Pastorate), Goregaon and the Reverend Jebamani.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** Pray for all senior citizens and their care providers • Pray for the ministry of the *Women's Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS)*.

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