



ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL
MUMBAI
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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



Three In One and One In Three

The triangle with three circles is a symbol of the Holy Trinity. The hand coming out of the cloud with the Greek letters alpha and omega represents the Father. The Chi-Rho symbol (which looks like an X superimposed over a P) is composed of the first two letters of Christ in Greek. As a representation of Jesus, it is older than the cross. The dove with a halo represents the Holy Spirit.

Trinity Sunday

Choral Eucharist

with Farewell Felicitation for Revd Avinash T. Rangayya

Sunday 31st May 2026 • 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. 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.

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

Voluntary

Fugue in D Major, *BWV 580* - Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Trumpet tune on, 'Nicaea' ('Holy, Holy, Holy') - Jan Mulder (b. 1963)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit

Sung by the choir

HOW shall I sing that majesty
which angels do admire?
Let dust in dust and silence lie;
sing, sing, ye heavenly choir.
Thousands of thousands stand around
thy throne, O God most high;
ten thousand times ten thousand sound
thy praise; but who am I?

How great a being, Lord, is thine,
which doth all beings keep!
Thy knowledge is the only line
to sound so vast a deep.
Thou art a sea without a shore,
a sun without a sphere;
thy time is now and evermore,
thy place is everywhere.

Words: John Mason (1646 - 1694)

Tune: COE FEN
Kenneth Nicholson Naylor (1931 - 1991)

All stand and face the West Door

Opening Acclamation

The Presbyter On this Trinity Sunday, we come to praise
the Triune God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

All **We praise God who creates, redeems, and sustains
all creation!**

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts:

the whole earth is full of His glory.

You are worthy, our Lord and God,

to receive glory and honour and power.

To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb

be blessing and honour and glory and might

for ever and ever. Amen.

All sing

The Entrance Hymn | # 162

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Tune: NICAEA

Please be seated

All say together

Prayer of Preparation | **page 260**

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the Day | **page 444**

Read by the Presbyter

The First Reading | **page 444**

Isaiah 6:1 - 8

A reading from the Prophecy of Isaiah.

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

All **Thanks be to God.**

*Remain seated as the choir sings
the psalm to a chant by S. Wesley*

Deus misereatur

GOD be merciful unto us, and bless us : and shew us the light of his countenance, and be merciful unto us:

² That thy way may be known upon earth : thy saving health among all nations.

³ Let the people praise thee, O God : yea, let all the people praise thee.

⁴ O let the nations rejoice and be glad : for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.

⁵ Let the people praise thee, O God : let all the people praise thee.

⁶ Then shall the earth bring forth her increase : and God, even our own God, shall give us his blessing.

⁷ God shall bless us : and all the ends of the world shall fear him.

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 Second Reading | **page 445**

Revelation 4:1 - 11

A reading from the Book of Revelation.

At the end of the reading

This is the word of the Lord.

All

Thanks be to God.

All stand and sing

Gradual Hymn | **# 633**

All hail, adorè Trinity

Tune: DUKE STREET (#167)

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

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Unity in Trinity and the Trinity in Unity is to be worshipped they therefore that will be saved must thus think of the Trinity.

Alleluia, alleluia, 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**

Please be seated

Sermon

The Revered Avinash Rangayya, *Cathedral Presbyter*

Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant Peace to you from God our heavenly Father.
Peace from His Son Jesus Christ who is our peace.
Peace from the Holy Spirit, the life-giver.
The peace of the triune God be always with you

All **and also with you.**

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of peace.

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.

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All join in singing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 372

Bright the vision that delighted

All say

Offertory Prayer | page 270

Please be seated

Invocation

Sung by the choir

*Holy, holy, holy,
God almighty Lord!
Holy, holy, holy,
Everywhere adored!*

He without beginning,
he th'eternal one
reigns and rules for ever
all things 'neath the sun.

Sanctus,
from the *German Mass* by Franz Schubert (1797 - 1828)

Kneel as able or remain seated

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

We come boldly to the throne of grace,
praying to the almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
for mercy and grace.

All

We plead before your throne in heaven.

Father of heaven, whose love profound
a ransom for our souls has found:

We pray for the world, created by your love,
for its nations and governments.

Extend to them your peace, pardoning love,
mercy and grace.

We plead before your throne in heaven.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word,

our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord:

We pray for the Church, created for your glory,
for its ministry to reflect those works of yours.

Extend to us your salvation, growth, mercy and grace.

We plead before your throne in heaven.

Continued. Turn over.

Intercessor Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
the soul is raised from sin and death:
We pray for families and individuals,
created in your image,
for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying.
Breathe on them the breath of life
and bring them to your mercy and grace.

All **We plead before your throne in heaven.**
Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son,
Mysterious Godhead, Three in One:
We pray for ourselves,
for your Church, for all whom we remember before you.
Bring us all to bow before your throne in heaven,
to receive life and pardon,
mercy and grace for all eternity,
as we worship you, saying,
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Amen.**

The choir sings *Holy, holy, holy,
God almighty Lord!
Holy, holy, holy,
Everywhere adored!*

Power and love and wonder
circling round His throne,
praise Him, holy, holy,
Lord of life alone.

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

The Consecration & Proper Preface | *page 277 - 281*

The Communion | *page 284*

Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion

While seated all join in singing

Have mercy on us, God most high

Hymn | **# 161**

Tune: ST. FLAVIAN

The Thanksgiving | **page 287**

All stand

Gloria in Excelsis | **page 288**

The Blessing

The Presbyter

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side,
and guide you in truth and peace;
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 | **# 431**

Light's abode, celestial Salem

Tune: REGENT SQUARE

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.

Postlude

Allegro maestoso e vivace - Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy (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.

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 & Saturday 5.30 pm during term time |

~ Birthdays this Week ~

"I thank my God every time I remember you.
In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy."

Philippians 1:3-4

Joy Moses (31), Aleisha John (1st June), Ramani Shantha Kumar (6),
Moushumi Mandal (6)

~ Wedding Anniversary this Week ~

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

Romans 12:10

Mr. Augustine Pastala & Mrs. Indira Pastala (1st June),
Mr. Vasanth Moses & Mrs. Uma Moses (1),
Dr. Tarun Jacob & Mrs. Sharon Joshua (5)

Notices

- Pray for the newly ordained presbyters and deacons in our diocese.
Presbyters - Revd Marshal Dhinakaran, Revd Richa Uzgare, Revd Sagar Bansode
Deacons - Mr. Jerin Titus, Mr. K. Prince Joseph Soundararaj
The ordination service was held yesterday at Christ Church, Byculla.

A prayer at the time of pastoral transition

Dear Lord, our God and Father, in this time of transition,
give us eyes to see Your presence in our lives,
ears to listen to Your will,
lips to speak Your words,
and hands to do Your work.
Grant us grace and go before us, as we seek Your Holy Spirit's counsel,
as we live in community during this time,
and as we prepare for the arrival of a new priest in our midst.
We make this pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

- The Reverend Thomas Jacob will commence his ministry as the
Presbyter-In-Charge of St. Thomas' Cathedral, Fort from tomorrow
1st June 2026. We will welcome Fr. Thomas, his wife Dr. (Mrs.) Sybil Thomas
and their children Ashray and Alisha next Sunday 7th June 2026.



*The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are placed
in loving memory of Mr. M. Ramaswamy
(father of Dr. Mrs. Malathy Samuel)*

Adoration of the Trinity

Blessing and honour, thanksgiving and praise, more than we can utter, more than we can conceive, be ascribed to you,

○ Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

By all angels, all men and all creatures, for ever and ever.

Amen and Amen.

Holy are you, ○ God.

Holy are you, ○ God.

Holy are you, ○ Immortal.

Holy are you, ○ Immortal.

○ Lord, our Redeemer, you were crucified for us;

have mercy on us.

○ Lord, the Holy Spirit,

have mercy on us and sanctify us.

○ Lord, accept our prayers and praises,

and have mercy on us and sanctify us.

To the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God,
be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.



Farewell Felicitation

for

The Reverend Avinash Theophilus Rangayya

Trinity Sunday

31st May 2026 @ 10:45 a.m.

After 15 glorious years of ministry as the Presbyter-In-Charge of the Cathedral Church of Saint Thomas the Apostle, the Reverend Avinash Theophilus Rangayya, moves on to assume pastoral charge of St. Stephen's Church, Bandra.

At 10:45 a.m. this morning there will be an opportunity for us to bid farewell to Reverend Avinash Rangayya and his family. Following the felicitation,

lunch will be served.

Fr. Avinash came to us from All Saints' Church, Malabar Hill in June 2011. During the course of his ministry in the Mother Church of the Diocese, Fr. Avinash has touched many lives and endeared himself to the congregants. During the tercentenary year of the Cathedral in 2018 Fr. Avinash coordinated a host of services, concerts and other events. For many, a lasting legacy will be his creative and almost spontaneous response to the pandemic-induced lockdown, when the Cathedral became a 'virtual church'!

We pray for Revd Rangayya as he begins his ministry in St. Stephen's Church and pray for his wife Revd Arpana Rangayya and their children Alethea and Amos.

Pray with us † **THE WORLD** Pray for lasting peace in the Middle East • Teach us to respect all cultures. Help us to share justly the resources of the Earth. Help us to bring about spiritual and social change to improve the quality of life for all groups in our communities, especially the disadvantaged. May your power and love be the foundations on which we build our families, our communities and our Nation.

† **OUR COUNTRY** In the face of the unprecedented heatwave pray for those who are most vulnerable - the destitute, the homeless, outdoor labourers. Pray for the onset of a timely Monsoon • Pray for the grieving families of those killed and injured in the recent building collapse in Vasai. Pray for accountability in building safety enforcement.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** Today is Trinity Sunday. The Christian teaching about the Trinity is not meant to be an explanation of God, rather it is a way of describing what we know about God, even though we know that humanly speaking it is beyond our reason. God is the Creator of the Cosmos, was human in Jesus Christ and lives in our hearts today through the Holy Spirit.

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

• **Commemorations** - Martyrs of Uganda, 1886 (3rd June), Pyari Mohan Rudra, convert, pastor 1889 (4th June), Boniface, Bp. Ev. Martyr 754 (5th June) • In the Anglican Communion for Église Anglicane du Rwanda (Anglican Church of Rawanda and Archbishop Laurent Mbanda. † **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** The Diocese of Phulbani and Bishop Violet Nayak • The Diocese of Jaffna (CSI Diocese in Sri Lanka) and Bishop Velupillai Pathmathyalan.

THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY For all those Presbyters who will be assuming charge of their new pastorates from tomorrow. † **OUR CATHEDRAL** For all senior citizens and their care providers • This week for all who serve at the altar—the Lay Readers and Servers.

FAREWELL SONG

¹ For fifteen years you've walked with us,
Through joy and grief without a fuss,
You led us gently, firm and true,
In every work God called you to.

³ Now God has called you to move on,
Though from our midst you soon are gone,
The seeds you've sown will bear the fruit
In lives where faith has taken root.

² In sickness and in doubt you came,
And you spoke the grace of Jesus' name,
No door too far, no house too late,
Your shepherd's heart was always great.

*O faithful shepherd, friend and guide,
Who walked so closely by our side,
We've shared the laughter and the tears,
The blessings of these fifteen years,
And though you go, your words remain
A light to us through joy and pain.*

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