



ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL
MUMBAI

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

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



TEXT FOR THE DAY

*"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus
unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we
should walk in them"*

Ephesians 2:10

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Children's Ministry Sunday

Choral Eucharist
Sunday 12th July 2026 • 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. 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 *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

Little *canonic variations on "Jesus bids us shine"* - Kenneth Leighton (1929 - 1988)

Adagio - Felix Mendelssohn (1809 - 1847)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit

Sung by the choir

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
to worship you, O my soul rejoice.
Take joy, my King in what you hear,
may it be a sweet sound in your ear.

Words: from Psalm 35:9

Music: Laurie Klein (b. 1950)

All stand and face the West Door

Call to Worship

Presbyter

As we gather, we come together as people
of the cross and resurrection.

All

**We come as children of the Father,
reconciled by grace through the Son
and filled with God's love through the Spirit.**
We are saved by God's grace.
Christ broke down the walls between us.
**He made us a new people, in one Spirit,
children of God, citizens of the Kingdom.**
We belong in Christ, forever at home in God.

All join in singing the hymn

O for a heart to praise my God

The Entrance Hymn | # 230

Tune: RICHMOND (# 125)

Please be seated

All say together

The Prayer of Preparation | **page 260**

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the day | **page 460**

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | **page 460**

Genesis 4:2 - 15

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

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 Lemon

Psalm

119: 41- 48

Et veniat super me

- ⁴¹ LET thy loving mercy come also unto me, O Lord: even thy salvation, according unto thy word.
- ⁴² So shall I make answer unto my blasphemers: for my trust is in thy word.
- ⁴³ O take not the word of thy truth utterly out of my mouth: for my hope is in thy judgements.
- ⁴⁴ So shall I alway keep thy law: yea, for ever and ever.
- ⁴⁵ And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy commandments.
- ⁴⁶ I will speak of thy testimonies also, even before kings: and will not be ashamed.
- ⁴⁷ And my delight shall be in thy commandments: which I have loved.
- ⁴⁸ My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved: and my study shall be in thy statutes.

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

Ephesians 2: 8 - 10

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Ephesians

For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

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

All stand and join in singing

Gradual Song

¹ **Jesus loves me, this I know,
for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong;
they are weak, but he is strong.**

Refrain **Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

² **Jesus loves me he who died
heaven's gate to open wide.
He will wash away my sin,
let his little child come in.**

³ **Jesus loves me, this I know,
as he loved so long ago,
taking children on his knee,
saying, "Let them come to me."**

Words: Anna Bartlett Warner (1824 - 1915)

Music: William B. Bradbury (1816 - 1868)

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

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them,
for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

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

While seated, we join the children in singing

¹ **God has made me as His
masterpiece, He has!
Yes, he has! //**
**I will love and serve Him daily,
Sharing joy and kindness gladly,
God has made me as His
masterpiece, He has! Yes, he has!**

² **God created me for good works
every day,
Yes, He did! //**
**I will help and I will care,
Show God's love with all I share.
God created me for good works,
every day.**

³ **Jesus helps me shine His love for all to see,
Yes, He does! //**
**I will follow where He leads,
Serving others in their needs.
I'm God's masterpiece in Christ,**



**Sunday School
MAKES A DIFFERENCE**

Song by the Sunday school

Jumbo! Jesus loves you
Are you happy?
HE is with you
Kareebo into HIS presence
Why do you worry
Hakuna-matata
O Almighty GOD.

(* Swahili words: *Jumbo* - a common greeting; *kareebo* - come closer;
Hakuna matata - there are no troubles)

Sermon

Dr. Jamson Masih, *Principal In-Charge Wilson College*

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant

Let love be genuine. Never pay back evil for evil.
As far as it lies with you, live at peace with everyone.

cf Romans 12.9, 17, 18

All

The peace of the Lord be always with you
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.*

All join in singing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 176

Happy are they, they that love God

Tune: BINCHESTER

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All say

Offertory Prayer | page 270

Please kneel as able or sit

Invocation

All sing

**Jesus bids us shine
with a pure, clear light,
like a little candle
burning in the night.
In this world of darkness
So let us shine—
You in your small corner,
And I in mine.**

Words: Susan B. Warner (1819–1885)

Music: Edwin O. Excell (1851–1921)

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

Loving God, we come today bringing prayers for your beloved children near and far.

We pray for the children in our congregation and families.

We pray that we do the work we promised at their baptism. That we love and support them, hold them in our daily prayers.

May children find peace and rest within this congregation Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the children in our community.

Bless them with enough food to eat each day and a safe place to take their rest each night. Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all children in our nation.

We grieve for those who have perished this year from violence and natural calamities. Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

We give you great thanks for the children who are standing up and advocating for themselves and for others, from standing up against bullies in their classroom to advocating internationally for justice for all children and their future. Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our prayer.

All

Continued

Intercessor May children find peace and rest in our nation and in your loving embrace. Lord, in your mercy:

All **Hear our prayer.**
 We pray for the children of this world.
 We ask you to place a protective hand over every child living in fear of war or genocide, of drought or evacuation.
 Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**
 While we await your beloved Kingdom,
 we are reminded of your mandate to care for these,
 your beloved children,
 and put their wellbeing above the conflicts of politics.
 May all children find peace and rest in our world and in your loving embrace wherever their journeys may lead.
 Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**
 Thank you for Your grace and mercy.
 Only through Your forgiveness are each one of us able to become a masterpiece.
 Thank you for preparing good works us
 and for using us for Your glory. **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 | **# 246**

Just as I am *Tune: NOTTINGHAM*

The Thanksgiving | *page 287*

All stand and sing Gloria in Excelsis | *page 288*

Please be seated Announcements

The Blessing

The Presbyter

Go forward today knowing you are deeply loved,
and walk boldly in the unique purpose
He has prepared for your life.
† 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 | # 221

Stand up, stand for Jesus

Tune: MORNING LIGHT

Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

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

Postlude

Con moto maestoso, Op. 65 No. 3 – Felix Mendelssohn

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 I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord,
plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*
Jeremiah 29: 11

Mrs. Annie Jacob (14), Mr. Pranay Roberts (15), Mr. Ernest Knox (17)

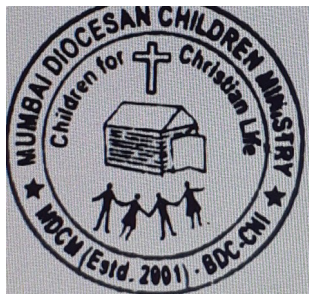
~ Wedding Anniversary this Week ~

*"No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another,
God lives in us and His love is made complete in us."*
1 John 4:12

Mr. Melvin Gladstone & Mrs. Sujatha Merlin (12),
Mr. Daniel Francis & Mrs. Agrima Bhasin (14)

Children's ministry in the Diocese of Bombay

Since 2001, the Diocese's children's ministry has passionately equipped children with strong Christian values. The emphasis is on Christ centered development. This is the Silver Jubilee year of the formation of the MDCM.



Growing in the Word: The Motto of MDCM is "Irrigate God's word to germinate holistic growth in the child." We pour the living water of Scripture into their lives so they can thrive in His grace.

Empowering Sunday Schools: We actively strengthen our Sunday School programmes to elevate the quality of Christian education.

Spiritual Activities: We keep children joyfully engaged through Vacation Bible Schools (VBS), camps, quizzes and engaging activities. We also host online prayer sessions throughout the week.

Faith Beyond Sunday: The 'Blossom' magazine encourages children with inspiring stories of missionaries and God's wisdom. Additionally, our community Bible Clubs lovingly welcome children of all faiths to experience God's Kingdom without discrimination.

Support Us: As a faith-oriented ministry, we invite you to build God's Kingdom by supporting these precious little ones. Please Pray, participate and sponsor to create a blessing that will echo for generations to come!

Announcements

- We express our thanks to Dr. Jamson Masih for preaching this morning as we celebrate **Children's Ministry Sunday**.
- A **Bible quiz** will be conducted on Sunday 23rd August 2026 at 10:45 am. The quiz will have objective type questions based on Psalm 119: 1 - 72 (open Bible), the Book of Haggai and the Book of Zephaniah. Refer the *New King James Version (NKJV)*. Please register your name with Ms. Violet Truman by paying ₹100/-.

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 a.m. |
| • Youth Fellowship | 2 nd & 4 th Sunday of the month 10.45 a.m. |
| • Choir | Sunday 10.45 a.m. & Saturday 5.30 p.m.
during term time |

Pray with us

† **THE WORLD** Our continued prayers for a lasting peace in the Middle East and Ukraine. Pray for all those displaced by war and those facing hardship due to severe climate change.

† **OUR COUNTRY** The heavy monsoon rains especially in Maharashtra, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh and Himachal Pradesh have claimed many lives in incidents of flooding, wall collapse, fallen trees and landslides. We pray for grieving families and those facing hardship due to severe climatic conditions. A section of the newly constructed Mumbai-Pune Expressway was damaged by a landslide stranding many commuters before repairs allowed traffic to resume. Pray for continued safety on this vital route and for commuters who have been affected.

† **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** Silas (Companion of Paul) is commemorated tomorrow • In the *Anglican Communion* for The Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan and Archbishop Justin Badi Arama. In 2029 the 20th meeting of the *Anglican Consultative Council (ACC-20)* will be hosted by the *Church of North India* in Calcutta. The ACC is one of the four Instruments of Communion, which serve and strengthen the global *Anglican Communion*. It holds a unique position as the Communion's most representative body, distinguished by its inclusion of bishops, clergy, and lay people from across all member provinces.

† **THE CHURCH IN INDIA** For greater integrity and accountability among Church leaders and organisations regarding property matters. This becomes all the more pertinent following the Maharashtra government launching a comprehensive, three-month audit of all land parcels owned by churches and Christian missions. Led by a high-level committee of divisional commissioners and police, the state is checking property records to find illegal sales, fake ownership papers, and deviations from the land's original purpose • The Diocese of Amritsar and Bishop Manoj Charan • The Diocese of Karimnagar (Telengana) and Bishop Reuben Mark (Moderator, CSI).

† **THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** For all involved in the Mumbai Diocesan Children's Ministry • This week for The Church of St. John the Evangelist (Afghan War Memorial), Colaba and the Revd. John Roland.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** For the children of the Sunday school and their teachers • Pray for all senior citizens and their care providers.

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