

CATHEDRAL NEWSLETTER

March 2023



THE CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE LIVING SAVIOUR
368, Bauddhaloka Mawatha, Colombo 7

MESSAGE FROM THE VICAR OF THE CATHEDRAL

My dear Friends in Christ,

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus Christ our Saviour!

Church: As we make our Lenten pilgrimage, I trust that our time of inward reflection will help us make sense of our calling.

This month we also keep Mothering Sunday which is also referred to as Parenting Sunday. Our guest preacher will be Rev. John Attenborough, the Regional Head of the Mission to Seafarers for Middle East and South Asia (MESA).

Nation: The people of our nation continue to have to live through very difficult times. It looks likely that the provincial council elections that were initially scheduled for this month will not take place now. Amidst the uncertainty and the soaring cost of living, the difficulties that people appear to have to contend with are causing a rather large segment of the population to exit the country. This is causing a serious “brain drain” and the number of professionals leaving the country is extremely alarming. While the people are being called to exercise financial caution and restraint, those in leadership in the country appear to be living far from this reality. Our country suffers today due to a lack of statesmen with vision, courage and integrity. I continue to urge you to pray that God will raise such leaders from the people to replace the politicians we seem to be forced to put up with.

Life in the Cathedral

50th Anniversary of the Cathedral: This month our 50th Anniversary activity will be a child-related one with Kids in Christ taking place on the 26th of March 2023. Our Sunday School has invited the children from St. John’s Home for a day of activity that is being planned.

On the 1st of April (the eve of Palm Sunday), the Choir will present the Passiontide Musical “Never Thirst”. More details will follow.

The Bishop Cyril Abeynaike Memorial Lecture will take place on the 13th of May 2023 at 5.30 pm. The speaker will be Dr Ravi Fernando. More details will follow.

The congregation is encouraged to keep all of the above dates free.

Lenten Meditations: We have commenced a series of Lenten meditations every Friday evening at 6 pm. Details are available in this edition of the newsletter.

Community Kitchen (CK): Our community kitchen continues to function twice a week. I am extremely grateful to God for His provision to sustain this initiative amidst the current economic crisis.

We need the help of volunteers to help with the distribution of food. If you are able to be with us on Monday and Friday between 4 pm and 5.45pm you are welcome to join. **I commend this appeal to you support.**

Support for the Cathedral: Despite our having to contend with many challenges I am extremely grateful to many of you who support the work of the Cathedral generously. Your support is greatly appreciated and valued.

The bank details of the Cathedral could be obtained by getting in touch with the Cathedral office (0112671481), speaking to me or by request made via email to info@cathedral.lk. The use of online banking facilities for this purpose is encouraged.

Live Stream: The live stream continues to be watched by a large segment of people both locally and internationally. If you have not done so up to now, you are encouraged to subscribe to the Cathedral YouTube Channel by pressing the subscribe button.



Pastoral Care: I am grateful to Rev. Canon Jubilee Ponniah who has voluntarily offered his support towards some of the Pastoral care. His gesture is greatly appreciated at a time we are without the services of an Assistant Curate.

Thanking you,
With Prayers and Blessings
Yours Sincerely,

Ven. Perry Brohier
Vicar

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE

The 75th Anniversary of the nation's independence was observed at the 8.30 am Service of Holy Eucharist held on Sunday 5th February 2023.

The Sunday school children participated in the service by singing a special song.



THE NEW JERUSALEM

The De Lanerolle Brothers Rohan and Ishan together with Neranjan de Silva and Oktave presented an inspiring evening of sacred music on Friday 10th February 2023 at 7pm.

It was so uplifting to see a gathering of over 1000 people and it was also extremely inspiring to be part of the singing that involved the congregation as well.

This was yet another in a series of programmes being presented in connection with the 50th Anniversary of the Cathedral.



VISIT OF REV. CANON BRUCE WOODCOCK AND ELIZABETH BOE

The Rev. Canon Bruce Woodcock and Elizabeth Boe who are guests of the Diocese of Colombo from the Episcopal Church of the United States were at the Cathedral and participated in the Service of Holy Eucharist on Sunday 19th February 2023.

Rev. Canon Bruce Woodcock was also the preacher at the service.

Both Rev. Canon Bruce Woodcock and Elizabeth Boe were welcomed by the Vicar of the Cathedral the Ven. Perry Brohier





Lenten Reflection - 2023

Liberative Footsteps of Dignified Malayaha Makkal

Lenten Meditation Conducted By

Rev. Jurinesz Shadrach

Vicar, Holy Emmanuel Church Balangoda and
St. John the Baptist Church Rakwana

Commencing on the 3rd of March 2023 at 6.00 pm



CATHEDRAL

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THE CHOIR OF THE CATHEDRAL OF
CHRIST THE LIVING SAVIOUR PRESENTS

Never Thirst Again

A PASSIONTIDE MUSICAL

SATURDAY 4TH APRIL 2023 AT 7PM

INVITATIONS AVAILABLE AT THE COMMONS COFFEE
HOUSE AND THE CATHEDRAL OFFICE

Invitations printed to determine Logistics



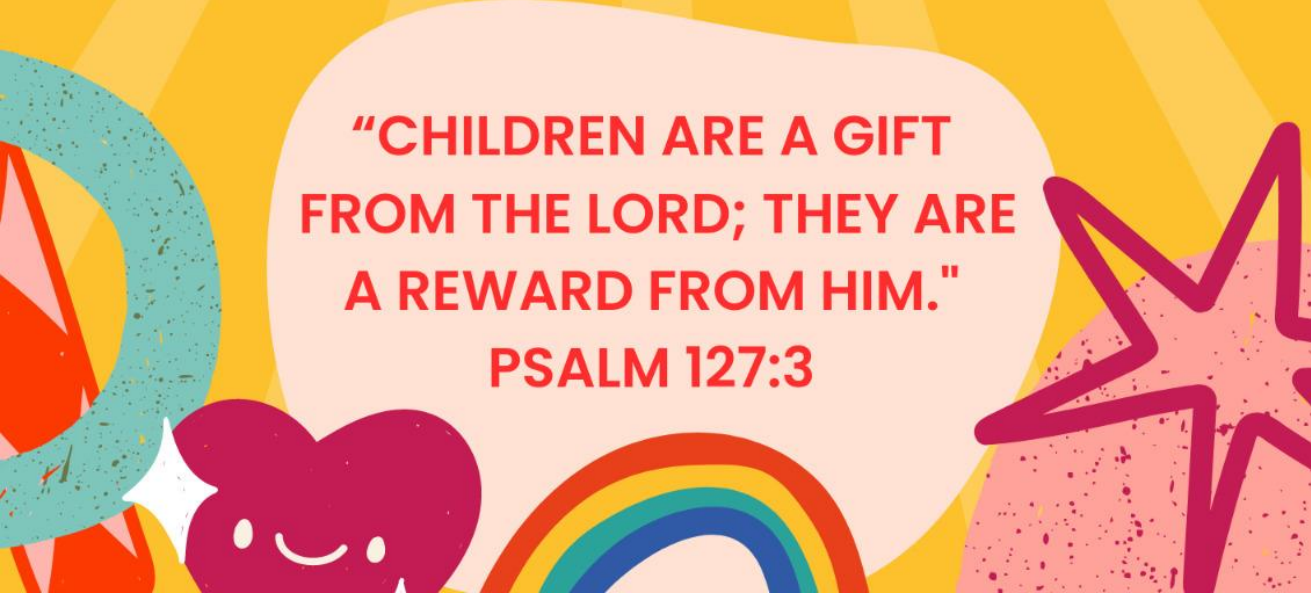
KIDS IN CHRIST



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**THE STUDENTS OF THE CATHEDRAL
SUNDAY SCHOOL WARMLY WELCOME
THE CHILDREN OF ST. JOHN'S GIRLS
HOME TO CELEBRATE THE 50TH
ANNIVERSARY OF OUR CATHEDRAL**

**26TH MARCH 2023
FROM 8.30AM TO 12.30PM**



**"CHILDREN ARE A GIFT
FROM THE LORD; THEY ARE
A REWARD FROM HIM."**

PSALM 127:3

LECTIONARY - March 2023

Date: 5th March 2023 – 5th Sunday before Easter (2nd Sunday in Lent)

Theme: “The Call and Conversion”

Reading	Passage	Name of Reader
Old Testament	Genesis 12: 1 - 4	Irene Boco
Psalms	121	Leonie Seneviratne
Epistle	Romans 4: 1 – 5, 13 – 17	Jason Senanayake
Gospel	St. John 3: 1 - 17	Shamara Herat
Intercessions		Jenita Jeewakumaran

Date: 12th March 2023 – 4th Sunday before Easter (3rd Sunday in Lent)

Theme: “Grace of the Waters of Regeneration”

Old Testament	Exodus 17: 1 – 7	Dhilan Mitchelle
Psalms	95	Darren White
Epistle	Romans 5:1-11	Niroshala Manuel
Gospel	St. John 4: 27 - 42	Patrick Bulner
Intercessions		Jill Macdonald

Date: 19th March 2023 – 3rd Sunday before Easter (4th Sunday in Lent)

- Mothering or Parenting Sunday

Theme: “Perseverance in Faith and Love”

Old Testament	Exodus 2: 1 - 10	Ayush Abraham
Psalms	127: 1 - 5	Shyan Muthumudalige
Epistle	Colossians 3: 12 - 17	Trehan Jayawardane
Gospel	St John 19: 25 - 27	Shenaya Kaluthotage
Intercessions		Danielle Jesumaney

Date: 26th March 2023- 2nd Sunday before Easter (5th Sunday in Lent)

Theme: “Sanctification: A New Life in Christ – Lazarus

Old Testament	Ezekiel 37: 1 - 14	Angela Vincent
Psalms	130	Eathen Daniel
Epistle	Romans 8: 6 - 11	Ashane Rodrigo
Gospel	St. John 11: 38 - 45	Khalia De Lanerolle
Intercessions		Lydia Lakshendrakumar

HOLY DAYS/ FESTIVALS & OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

19 th Mar	Mothering or Parenting Sunday
25 th Mar	Feast of the Annunciation of our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary



THE CATHEDRAL
Community Kitchen

THE PROJECT FEEDS OVER 400 PEOPLE WEEKLY

WITH THE HELP OF VOLUNTEERS FROM THE CONGREGATION, MEMBERS OF THE CATHEDRAL WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY HAVE BEGUN TO RESPOND TO AND AID THOSE AFFECTED BY THE PRESENT CRISIS.

If you feel moved to support this initiative, you may make your contribution to the Cathedral office by indicating Community Kitchen or CK on the envelope. Alternatively, you may make a bank transfer to the Cathedral.

If you would like to contribute by volunteering, please get in touch with the vicar and express your interest in doing so.

BANK DETAILS:

Beneficiary:
Cathedral of Christ the Living Saviour

Bank:
Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC, Reid Avenue Branch

Account Number:
1116019905

Bank Code: 7056
Branch Code: 116
Swift Code: CCEYLK LX

Reference:
"Community Kitchen"
or
"CK"

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HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE TIMES

07.00am – Sinhala & Tamil
08.30am – English

- All services will be held physically while the 8.30am service will also continue to be livestreamed. The link for the livestream will be shared weekly.

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Cathedral Prayer Circle

- A Prayer Circle is now operational as a WhatsApp group. If you wish to join, please send your name and mobile number to 077 726 0862

Website: www.cathedral.lk

Social Media: <https://www.facebook.com/CathedralCMB/>

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