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Welcome & Prayer

Song: Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

*Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King! Nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One Who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior risen now to reign!

Men: You will reign forever

Women: Let Your glory fill the earth

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The Nicene Creed

All: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
one in being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered, died and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in fulfilment of the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified,
He has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.**

Old Testament Reading: Numbers 23:1-12

¹ And Balaam said to Balak, “Build for me here seven altars, and prepare for me here seven bulls and seven rams.” ² Balak did as Balaam had said. And Balak and Balaam offered on each altar a bull and a ram. ³ And Balaam said to Balak, “Stand beside your burnt offering, and I will go. Perhaps the LORD will come to meet me, and whatever he shows me I will tell you.” And he went to a bare height, ⁴ and God met Balaam. And Balaam said to him, “I have arranged the seven altars and I have offered on each altar a bull and a ram.” ⁵ And the LORD put a word in Balaam’s mouth and said, “Return to Balak, and thus you shall speak.” ⁶ And he returned to him, and behold, he and all the princes of Moab were standing beside his burnt offering. ⁷ And Balaam took up his discourse and said,

“From Aram Balak has brought me,
the king of Moab from the eastern mountains:
‘Come, curse Jacob for me,
and come, denounce Israel!’

⁸ How can I curse whom God has not cursed?
How can I denounce whom the LORD has not
denounced?

⁹ For from the top of the crags I see him,
from the hills I behold him;
behold, a people dwelling alone,
and not counting itself among the nations!

¹⁰ Who can count the dust of Jacob
or number the fourth part of Israel?
Let me die the death of the upright,
and let my end be like his!”

¹¹ And Balak said to Balaam, “What have you done to me? I took you to curse my enemies, and behold, you have done nothing but bless them.” ¹² And he answered and said, “Must I not take care to speak what the LORD puts in my mouth?”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 9

To the choirmaster: according to Muth-labben. A Psalm of David.

¹ I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

**² I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

³ When my enemies turn back,
they stumble and perish before your presence.

**⁴ For you have maintained my just cause;
you have sat on the throne, giving righteous
judgment.**

⁵ You have rebuked the nations; you have made the
wicked perish;
you have blotted out their name forever and ever.

**⁶ The enemy came to an end in everlasting ruins;
their cities you rooted out;
the very memory of them has perished.**

⁷ But the LORD sits enthroned forever;
he has established his throne for justice,

**⁸ and he judges the world with righteousness;
he judges the peoples with uprightness.**

⁹ The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.

**¹⁰ And those who know your name put their trust in you,
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek
you.**

¹¹ Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned in Zion!
Tell among the peoples his deeds!

**¹² For he who avenges blood is mindful of them;
he does not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

¹³ Be gracious to me, O LORD!
See my affliction from those who hate me,
O you who lift me up from the gates of death,

**¹⁴ that I may recount all your praises,
that in the gates of the daughter of Zion
I may rejoice in your salvation.**

¹⁵ The nations have sunk in the pit that they made;
in the net that they hid, their own foot has been
caught.

**16 The LORD has made himself known; he has executed judgment;
the wicked are snared in the work of their own hands.**

**17 The wicked shall return to Sheol,
all the nations that forget God.**

**18 For the needy shall not always be forgotten,
and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.**

**19 Arise, O LORD! Let not man prevail;
let the nations be judged before you!**

**20 Put them in fear, O LORD!
Let the nations know that they are but men!**

Reader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,

All: **As it was in the beginning, is now,
and shall be forever.
Amen.**

New Testament Reading: Revelation 2:12-17

¹² “And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write:
‘The words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword.

¹³ “‘I know where you dwell, where Satan's throne is. Yet you hold fast my name, and you did not deny my faith even in the days of Antipas my faithful witness, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. ¹⁴ But I have a few things against you: you have some there who hold the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, so that they might eat food sacrificed to idols and practice sexual immorality. ¹⁵ So also you have some who hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans. ¹⁶ Therefore repent. If not, I will come to you soon and war against them with the sword of my mouth. ¹⁷ He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, with a new name written on the stone that no one knows except the one who receives it.’

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Greeting Time

Song: May The Mind Of Christ

May the mind of Christ my Saviour
Live in me from day to day
By His love and power controlling
All I do and say
All I do and say

May the word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour
So that all may see I triumph
Only through His power
Only through His power

May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in everything
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing
Sick and sorrowing

May the love of Jesus fill me
As the waters fill the sea
Him exalting self abasing
This is victory
This is victory

May I run the race before me
Strong and brave to face the foe
Looking only unto Jesus
As I onward go
As I onward go

May His beauty rest upon me
As I seek the lost to win
And may they forget the channel
Seeing only Him
Seeing only Him

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Sermon: Jesus Speaks To His Church: Pergamum

Revelation 2:12-17

1. Introduction
2. Pergamum the town
3. A Description of Jesus
4. A Word of Encouragement
5. Word of Reprimand

6. A Call to Repent

7. A Word of Warning

8. A Word of Promise

9. Conclusion

(If you have questions regarding the sermon, please submit at stmarys.my/ask)

Prayers of Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

All: **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.**

Prayer of Confession

All: **Almighty God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
Creator of everything, Judge of everyone,
We admit that we have sinned against you
In thought, speech and action,
And deserve your just punishment.
We truly repent and are sorry
for what we have done.
Have mercy on us, merciful Father.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
Forgive us all that is past,
And enable us to serve and please you
in a fresh way,
To the glory of your name.
Amen.**

The Lord's Supper

The Minister prays:

Almighty God, our Heavenly Father,
We thank you that in your love and mercy,
you gave your only Son Jesus Christ
to die on the cross for our redemption.

We thank you that by offering himself once for all,
he made a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice for sin
and completely satisfied your holiness,
justice and love.

And he instructed us to remember his death together
until his coming again.

Hear us, merciful Father,
and grant that by your Holy Spirit,
we who eat and drink this bread and wine,
according to our Lord's command
may remember his death for us with faith,
trusting in him alone for our salvation
and so share in his body and blood.

For on the night he was betrayed, he took bread, and when he had given you thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, “Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup, and when he had given you thanks, he gave it to them saying, “Drink from this, all of you; for this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.”

All: **Amen.**

The Minister says:

Eat and drink this in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

Song: Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

What is our hope in life and death
Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence
That our souls to Him belong
Who holds our days within His hand
What comes apart from His command
And what will keep us to the end
The love of Christ in which we stand

*O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death*

What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is His grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Unto the grave what will we sing
Christ He lives Christ He lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with Him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

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Prayer of Response

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Song: I Will Offer Up My Life

I will offer up my life
In spirit and truth
Pouring out the oil of love
As my worship to You
In surrender I must give
My ev'ry part
Lord receive the sacrifice
Of a broken heart

*Jesus what can I give
What can I bring
To so faithful a friend
To so loving a King
Saviour what can be said
What can be sung
As a praise of Your name
For the things You have done
Oh my words could not tell
Not even in part
Of the debt of love
That is owed by this
Thankful heart*

You deserve my every breath
For You've paid the great cost
Giving up Your life to death
Even death on a cross
You took all my shame away
There defeated my sin
Opened up the gates of heaven
And have beckoned me in

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Closing and Grace

All: **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with us all evermore.
Amen.**

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Connect with us

Thank you for joining our service. If you would like for us to get in touch with you, or have any feedback for us, please fill in our Connection Card at stmarys.my/connect.

Giving

Online transfer

Bank name: **Standard Chartered Bank Malaysia Bhd**

Account name: **St Mary's Cathedral**

Account number: **312 142 334 691**

Recipient reference: If giving a pledge, enter ***your 3-digit pledge number***.
Otherwise, enter **Online Service** or the service you normally attend.

For one-off giving, please email the bank-in slip or online transfer receipt to: **collections@stmaryscathedral.org.my**

E-wallet

Scan the following QR code using any e-wallet app (Touch n Go/GrabPay/Boost). Please ensure “St Mary's Cathedral” is listed as the payee.



SMACC

Note: This method of giving is analogous to putting cash into the offertory bag/box. Your donation will go to the General Fund. You will not be given a receipt. Do not use this to give a pledge.

Details on our webpage: stmarys.my/give.

Giving via Pledge Envelopes

In recent years, the church giving system has moved from a pledge envelope system to an online giving system. Those who wish to remain contributing via pledge envelopes are advised to write their pledge numbers on any blank envelopes and drop them in the allocated boxes at church.

Onsite and Online Services

Here are the details of our English onsite services on Sundays:

- Liturgical Services – 7am, 9am, 11am
- Contemporary (SMACC) Services – 11am, 5pm

If you are joining us online on Sundays, the Liturgical service will be livestreamed at 9am.

More information about our services can be found here: stmarys.my/services.

Carparking

If you are attending any of the services or events at St Mary's Cathedral, please park at the Dataran Merdeka Underground Carpark across the road.

The Cathedral Carpark is reserved for women travelling alone who may feel unsafe parking in the Dataran Merdeka Underground Carpark, people with young children who would find it hard to cross the road with them, and those who are elderly, or suffering from illness

or disability who would then find it hard to walk from the carpark across the road.

If you fall into any of the categories above and wish to park in the Cathedral, please visit stmarys.my/booking to book a carpark on Sundays. There is also an option for you to indicate on the form that you would like to book a parking spot for 6 months. Your car plate number will then be given to the guards and you will be allowed in.

Bookings for carparking will open at 2pm on Sunday and close at noon on Friday.

If you miss a booking but you fall into any of the categories mentioned above and need to park in the Cathedral, you may request for a temporary paper form from the guard to allow you to park just for that day.

If you are parking in the Cathedral, please drive slowly and carefully for the sake of the safety of the many pedestrians in the Cathedral compound.

Community Meal

Next Community Meal: 19 May 2024

Kids' Church

The Kids' Church classes run on Sunday mornings. The different age groups meet at their respective classrooms on the ground floor of the Cathedral. Parents may pick up their children after the 11am church services ends.

Please email kidschurch@stmaryscathedral.org.my or speak to our Kids' Church teachers for further information.

Opportunities to Serve

Do you have a heart for service and a desire to be part of a vibrant community? St Mary's Cathedral is looking for dedicated people to help us in various roles. If you're a regular at the Cathedral and would like to lend a hand, we encourage you to register your interest today! Simply visit stmarys.my/serve to learn more and fill out the serving form. We look forward to welcoming you onto our team!

Tuesday Night Training

Tuesday Night Training (TNT) is a good and systematic way for all of us to keep studying God's Word and to be trained for ministry. The second term for 2024 begins on 14 May.

Theological courses on offer are Bible Overview, Prayer Book and Romans. There is also a Christian Living course entitled 'Where To, Lord?'

If you are new to TNT, we encourage you to consider taking our Bible Overview course. This is a great way to learn how the whole Bible fits together and points to Jesus.

Find out more about the courses and register here:

stmarys.my/tnt

Life Explored

Life Explored is a course that will help people uncover what they're really living for, and shows how, in Christ, God meets our deepest desire for happiness. Each session explores an aspect of God's character. We see that the God of the Bible is good, trustworthy, generous,

liberating, fulfilling, life-giving and joyful. And ultimately we see that the greatest pleasure in life is enjoying God himself.

We invite you to join us for 7 Sundays, 2-4pm, starting from 26 May 2024.

A simple complimentary lunch will be served from 1.30pm each week before the course begins and we'd love for you to join us for that as well.

If you are unable to join the in-person course, you may also request for online sessions with a facilitator.

Please visit stmarys.my/findoutmore for more details on how to register.

Belonging

Belonging is our orientation programme for people who have recently started coming to our services. If you are new with us, please do come along to find out more about our church, what it means to belong to God's kingdom, and how that is expressed in our local church.

Date: Saturday, 15 June 2024

Time: 10am - 3pm (Lunch provided)

Venue: Multi-Purpose Hall, St Mary's Cathedral KL

Register: stmarys.my/belonging

(please register by Wednesday, 12 June 2024)

Church Camp (SMAGLOW)

Our camp for the English Liturgical and SMACC congregations will be held from 15-17 September (Sunday – Tuesday) at Ancasa Residences, Port Dickson. Please mark those dates in your calendar. More details to follow.

Ministry Partners News 2024

We are excited to share this new annual booklet in which you can read about the ministries that take place in St Mary's Cathedral and learn about how you can be involved in this gospel partnership. Download the booklet here: stmarys.my/mpn

Diocesan Women's Conference

The 53rd Diocesan Women's Conference 2024 will be held as follows:

Date: 28-30 June 2024 (Friday-Sunday)

Venue: Grand Kampar Hotel, Kampar

Theme: Season of Propagation (inspired by the verse Psalm 126:5 "Those who sow in tears shall reap with joyful shouting")

Speaker: Ps Santhana Arnold together with her husband, Rev Arnold Rajan are pioneer pastors of City Tabernacle KL. Her giftings are in the area of prophecy and deliverance.

Fees: Single is RM420 & Twin is RM340

Closing date is 10 May. Registering any time after that will be imposed an RM20 late fee.

Anyone who wants more information can contact Joyce Yu-Cheah (012 225 5277).

Personal Details Update

Thank you for being here with us at St Mary's Cathedral and we would like to get to know you better.

Here is a form to update your contact details on our church management system, for us to stay in touch with you. This will also help the pastoral and admin teams to have details of those whom we are seeking to serve.

stmarys.my/survey2024

Rest assured that we will be safeguarding the information and it will not be used for any commercial purposes.

Building Roof & External Walls

The main roof and external walls of the Cathedral are in need of major repairs to address leaks that are threatening the comfort and safety of the building. We will need to raise funds for the repair and restoration works. For more information on the extent of damage and works, and for occasional updates on the funds collected, please visit stmarys.my/building.

Seminars

Our website has a page dedicated to seminars that we ran in the past. Topics include gender identity, parenting, relationships and church history. If you would like to listen

to or watch videos of these seminars, you can find them at stmarys.my/seminars.

Golden Circle: Chair Exercise

The Golden Circle conducts a fitness programme for seniors at the Cathedral. Movements consist of chair exercises to strengthen and tone muscles, improve balance, improve lung function, and improve circulation and cardiac function.

Day: Fridays

Time: 9.30-10.30am

Venue: MPH

Donation for Flowers

If you would like to donate flowers to commemorate occasions (such as anniversary, memorial, baptism, birthday), you can let us know by indicating on the spreadsheet on the notice board at the Cathedral entrance. Please contact Janet Chan (017 213 3418) for the type, colour and cost of flowers. Payment for the flowers can be made by placing it in an envelope and writing on the envelope the purpose for the payment (in

this case 'Flowers'). Please drop the envelope in one of the allocated collection boxes at church. If you would like a receipt to be issued to you, please write your name and contact number on the envelope, and we will send the receipt to you.

St Mary's Agape Mission School

St Mary's Agape Mission School is always on the lookout for volunteers or anyone looking to sponsor a refugee child's education for the short / long term. No prerequisites required. Please contact us to explore more!

Dr Mei Tan 012 387 3408 /

agapeschool@stmaryscathedral.org.my

The Daily Office

We invite you to join us for the Daily Office – a short daily service with systematic Bible readings and set prayers.

This will take place every day at 7.30am by Zoom (except Sunday).

If you think this would be a helpful part of your daily routine, please join us by simply going to

stmarys.my/dailyoffice at about 7.25am each day for a

7.30am start. That will take you directly to the Zoom room where the service takes place. The service will finish before 8am.

Pastoral Needs

If you are a regular at St Mary's Cathedral and would like to make an appointment to talk to a member of the pastoral team, please let us know by filling in a Connection Card at stmarys.my/connect or call the Cathedral Office at 011 5760 3484.

If there is a pastoral emergency, you can reach the pastoral team on our Emergency Pastoral Care Hotline: 011 5762 8524.

Small Groups

Looking to connect with a Christian community? We encourage you to consider joining one of our in-person or online small groups. This is one of the important ways we grow together as a community of God's people as we gather under his Word and seek to encourage one another to persevere in following Jesus.

If you would like to join a small group, please fill in a form at stmarys.my/smallgroups and we'd be happy to help find you one.

Youth Fellowship

Our Youth Fellowship (ages 13-18) meets on Sundays at 9am in the GF3 room (the room between the Pantry and the Old Office). If you would like to join us, please sign up at stmarys.my/youth.

Youth Confirmation Programme

If you would like to indicate interest in our Youth Confirmation Programme for your teenager aged 13-17, please let us know at stmarys.my/youthbaptismconfirmation and we will inform you when the next one starts.

Subscribe to our Mailing List

To receive emails about latest updates and important news about the Cathedral, fill in the form at stmarys.my/subscribe.

Dataran Merdeka Underground Carpark

Here are the weekend parking rates (Saturday & Sunday):

12am-9.59am – RM 4.00 per entry

10am-11.59pm – RM 5.00 per entry

For more information on payment methods, you can find them at stmarys.my/dataran.

Work Care Panel

We have a panel to help our Cathedral community look for work or advise about work and training opportunities. If you're looking for work and wouldn't mind a helping hand, fill in our Connection Card at stmarys.my/connect, indicating that you would like someone from the Work Care Panel to contact you.

Photography/Video Recordings during Services

Please note that taking photographs and/or recording videos are not allowed during our services without prior permission. If you would like to have footage of the service, you may look up our [YouTube channel](#).

WhatsApp Announcement Groups

We have new WhatsApp announcement groups! Do join your service community to receive the appropriate updates on the goings-on here at the cathedral. You can join by clicking the links below. Only admins will be able to post and to see the phone numbers of everyone in the group. You will get the order of service for the congregation you are in each week (with all the announcements within the document). Admins will carefully limit the number of other announcements sent out to avoid overloading your WhatsApp inbox.



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Marriage Announcement

Please pray for Dick Jebamany and Doong Su Lyn from the SMACC 1 congregation who will be getting married on Saturday, 18 May 2024.

In Memoriam

Give thanks for the lives of Mr Nelson Ponnusamy who passed away on 3 May 2024 and Rev Canon Kwok Hon Kai who passed away on 9 May 2024. Thank God for his promise that all who depart in the faith of Christ rest now in peace and will surely rise in glory.