

SMACC Service

17 November 2024 | 9am, 11am, 5pm



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Welcome & Prayer

Song: All Creatures Of Our God And King

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
Oh praise Him
Alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him
Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Let all things their Creator bless
And worship Him in humbleness
Oh praise Him

Alleluia

Praise praise the Father praise the Son
And praise the Spirit Three-in-One
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him

Alleluia alleluia alleluia

All the redeemed washed by His blood
Come and rejoice in His great love
Oh praise Him

Alleluia

Christ has defeated every sin
Cast all your burdens now on Him
Oh praise Him Oh praise Him

Alleluia alleluia alleluia

He shall return in pow'r to reign
Heaven and earth will join to say
Oh praise Him

Alleluia

Then who shall fall on bended knee

All creatures of our God and King

Oh praise Him Oh praise Him

Alleluia alleluia alleluia

Original words (v. 1-2) by St. Francis of Assisi, translated by William Henry Draper.

Music 16th Century German tune, adapted by Jonathan Baird and Ryan Baird.

Add. words (v. 3-4) by Jonathan Baird and Ryan Baird

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Prayer of Confession

All: **Heavenly Father,
you have loved us with an everlasting love,
but we have gone our own way
and broken your laws.
We are sorry for our sins
and turn away from them.
For the sake of your Son who died for us,
forgive us, cleanse us and change us.
By your Holy Spirit,
enable us to live for you,
and to please you more and more;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Song: Before The Throne Of God Above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end of all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there the Risen Lamb
My perfect spotless Righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of Glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased by His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

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The Apostles' Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge
the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 23:13-18

¹³ Behold the land of the Chaldeans! This is the people that was not; Assyria destined it for wild beasts. They erected their siege towers, they stripped her palaces bare, they made her a ruin.

¹⁴ Wail, O ships of Tarshish,
for your stronghold is laid waste.

¹⁵ In that day Tyre will be forgotten for seventy years, like the days of one king. At the end of seventy years, it will happen to Tyre as in the song of the prostitute:

¹⁶ “Take a harp;
go about the city,
O forgotten prostitute!
Make sweet melody;
sing many songs,
that you may be remembered.”

¹⁷ At the end of seventy years, the LORD will visit Tyre, and she will return to her wages and will prostitute herself with all the kingdoms of the world on the face of the

earth. ¹⁸ Her merchandise and her wages will be holy to the LORD. It will not be stored or hoarded, but her merchandise will supply abundant food and fine clothing for those who dwell before the LORD.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 73:12-20

¹² Behold, these are the wicked;
always at ease, they increase in riches.

¹³ **All in vain have I kept my heart clean
and washed my hands in innocence.**

¹⁴ For all the day long I have been stricken
and rebuked every morning.

¹⁵ **If I had said, "I will speak thus,"
I would have betrayed the generation of your
children.**

¹⁶ But when I thought how to understand this,
it seemed to me a wearisome task,

¹⁷ **until I went into the sanctuary of God;
then I discerned their end.**

¹⁸ Truly you set them in slippery places;
you make them fall to ruin.

¹⁹ **How they are destroyed in a moment,
swept away utterly by terrors!**

²⁰ Like a dream when one awakes,
O Lord, when you rouse yourself, you despise them as
phantoms.

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 17

¹ Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls came and said to me, “Come, I will show you the judgment of the great prostitute who is seated on many waters, ² with whom the kings of the earth have committed sexual immorality, and with the wine of whose sexual immorality the dwellers on earth have become drunk.” ³ And he carried me away in the Spirit into a wilderness, and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that was full of blasphemous names, and it had seven heads and ten horns. ⁴ The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and jewels and pearls, holding in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the impurities of her sexual immorality. ⁵ And on her forehead was written a name of mystery: “Babylon the great, mother of prostitutes and of earth's abominations.” ⁶ And I saw the woman, drunk with the blood of the saints, the blood of the martyrs of Jesus.

When I saw her, I marvelled greatly. ⁷ But the angel said to me, “Why do you marvel? I will tell you the mystery of the woman, and of the beast with seven heads and ten horns that carries her. ⁸ The beast that you saw was, and is not,

and is about to rise from the bottomless pit and go to destruction. And the dwellers on earth whose names have not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world will marvel to see the beast, because it was and is not and is to come. ⁹ This calls for a mind with wisdom: the seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman is seated; ¹⁰ they are also seven kings, five of whom have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come, and when he does come he must remain only a little while. ¹¹ As for the beast that was and is not, it is an eighth but it belongs to the seven, and it goes to destruction. ¹² And the ten horns that you saw are ten kings who have not yet received royal power, but they are to receive authority as kings for one hour, together with the beast. ¹³ These are of one mind, and they hand over their power and authority to the beast. ¹⁴ They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful.”

¹⁵ And the angel said to me, “The waters that you saw, where the prostitute is seated, are peoples and multitudes and nations and languages. ¹⁶ And the ten horns that you saw, they and the beast will hate the

prostitute. They will make her desolate and naked, and devour her flesh and burn her up with fire, ¹⁷ for God has put it into their hearts to carry out his purpose by being of one mind and handing over their royal power to the beast, until the words of God are fulfilled. ¹⁸ And the woman that you saw is the great city that has dominion over the kings of the earth.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Greeting Time

Song: O Lord, My Rock And My Redeemer

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Greatest treasure of my longing soul
My God, like You there is no other
True delight is found in You alone
Your grace, a well too deep to fathom
Your love exceeds the heavens 'reach
Your truth, a fount of perfect wisdom
My highest good and my unending need

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Strong defender of my weary heart
My sword to fight the cruel deceiver
And my shield against his hateful darts
My song when enemies surround me
My hope when tides of sorrow rise
My joy when trials are abounding
Your faithfulness, my refuge in the night

O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
Gracious Saviour of my ruined life
My guilt and cross laid on Your shoulders
In my place You suffered bled and died
You rose, the grave and death are conquered
You broke my bonds of sin and shame
O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer
May all my days bring glory to Your Name

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Sermon: The Defeat Of Evil

Revelation 17

Introduction

1. The incarnation of evil (verse 1-6)

- her appearance ... she is attractive
- her appeal...she is alluring
- her acts ... they are abominable

2. The “immortality” of the beast (verse 7-8)

3. The end of evil (verse 9-18)

Implications:

- Have I been seduced by evil? (Do I see the non-Christian authorities the way God does?)
- Am I naïve about evil? (Do I believe 'this could never happen'?)
- Have I been deceived by evil? (Do I grasp the temporary nature of evil?)

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

Song: I Will Trust You In The Darkness

I will trust You in the darkness
I will serve You in my pain
I will worship in the wilderness
And will follow to the end
For You are the suffering shepherd
And You know Your sheep by name
So I will trust You in the darkness once again

I'll believe Your word of comfort
When the light of life grows dim
I will heed Your voice at midnight
When the tempests rage within
I will cling to Christ my Saviour
Who has borne my sorrow's sting
And I will trust You in the darkness once again

I will praise Your name in winter
When the skies are cold and grey
I will feed upon Your promises
And will cry to You each day
I will lean upon Your Spirit
And Your word will I obey
Yes I will trust You in the darkness come what may

I will trust You in the darkness
On Your faithfulness depend
As I long for Your appearing
And the day that never ends
I will glory in the gospel
And Your word of truth defend
Yes I will trust You in the darkness once again
Yes I will trust You in the darkness O my friend

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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.**

Q&A

Announcements

Song: We Belong To The Day

We belong to the day
To the day that is to come
When the night falls away
And our Saviour will return
For the glory of the King is in our hearts
On that day we will be seen for what we are

We belong to the day
Let us journey in the light
Put on faith put on love
As our armour for the fight
And the promise of salvation in our eyes
On that day the proud will fall the faithful rise

*Strong as a mighty rock
Our refuge in the coming wrath
The heart of the bride belongs
To Jesus Jesus
The earth in its turning stops
To marvel at the Son of God
And all of that day belongs
To Jesus Jesus*

We belong to the day
We were bought with Jesus' blood
Soon He comes as the Judge
In the power of His word
We must tell of His salvation while we wait
For the day when Jesus comes will be too late

Oh if ten thousand years go by
We will wait
Let us tell of His great love
He will come
For His patience means salvation

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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 the service you normally attend.
 If giving to the Ministry Workers Fund, please put **“MWF”**.

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 banking or e-wallet app (Touch n Go/GrabPay/Boost). Please ensure **“SMACC”** 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.

Giving to the Ministry Workers Fund

If you would like to give to the Ministry Workers Fund, please scan the following QR code using any banking or e-wallet app (Touch n Go/GrabPay/Boost). Please ensure “**MWF**” is listed as the payee.



MWF

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: 15 December 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!

A Christmas Guest Event featuring the Grace Notes Choir - "Love, Peace, Joy, Hope"

Date: Sunday, 8 December 2024

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: St Mary's Cathedral

As we approach Christmas, often, the busyness and noise of the season overshadows its true meaning. There are many who have not heard of Jesus, whose birth we

celebrate, and those who may find Christmas-time particularly difficult.

Please do join us and invite that friend or loved one who needs to experience the Love, Peace, Joy and Hope, which comes only from knowing Jesus. Please register and secure your seat(s) here: stmarys.my/guestevent

“The Word One To One” Workshop

Please join us as Rev William Taylor, Rector of St Helen’s Bishopsgate, London, conducts a workshop on how to use the “The Word One To One” material. You can download the material for free here:

<https://www.theword121.com>

- What is “The Word One To One”?
- Why is reading the Bible one-to-one worthwhile?
- How do we read the Bible one-to-one?
- Live demonstration of “The Word One To One” by William Taylor

Date: Sunday, 17 November 2024

Time: 2-4pm

Venue: Multipurpose Hall, St Mary’s Cathedral

CWF Talk: Rahab

How did a Canaanite prostitute become an ancestor of Jesus and a model of faith? Come and meet Rahab and the God who saved her.

Date: Saturday, 30 November 2024

Time: 10am-12pm (lunch to follow)

Venue: Lady Chapel, St Mary's Cathedral

Speaker: Judi Cheah

Donation: RM10 (for lunch)

Register here: stmarys.my/cwf

For more information, please contact Judi Cheah (012 375 7694).

Carolling

We are happy to share the Christmas Message with our brothers and sisters during this Christmas season. If you wish for the Carollers to come over to your place, please let us know by filling in the form at

stmarys.my/carolling.invite

Please find the list of areas that we are covering below. If your area is not mentioned here, please drop us a note and we will try our best to accommodate.

- 14 Dec – Ampang, Cheras, Kajang
- 15 Dec – Subang, Putra Heights, Puchong
- 21 Dec – Uptown, Petaling Jaya
- 22 Dec – Bangsar, Damansara

Should you need any further clarification, please feel free to drop a message to Joyce Cheah at 012 225 5277.

Golden Circle: Christmas High Tea

The SMC Golden Circle committee is cordially inviting all Seniors (50 & above) from our Cathedral to join us in this Christmas High Tea.

We are happy to inform you that we are arranging for our Seniors who are home-bound or not able to attend church to attend this event. Details as follows:

Date: Saturday, 14 December 2024

Time: 3-5pm

Venue: Multipurpose Hall

Come on over for a time of fun & fellowship over a cup of tea!

Please call Mrs Thilly Abraham at 017 816 6165 to register before Saturday, 30 November.

Job Opportunity: Chief Administrator

The Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia is looking for a suitable candidate to fill the position of Chief Administrator in the Diocesan Office. For more information, please click [here](#).

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

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.

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 send a WhatsApp message to Janet Chan (017 213 3418) and she will contact you to discuss 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.

For more information, please contact Dr Mei Tan at agapeschool@stmaryscathedral.org.my

Update:

St Mary's Agape Mission School for Myanmar refugee children in Pandan Indah is very proud to announce that three of our students have graduated with a diploma in Industrial Business from Genovasi University College in Petaling Jaya.

They are Nau Nem, Anna Doh Tok and Frank Cong Ro Sang.

They were on full scholarship provided by Genovasi. Agape is very grateful to the College.

Equally good news is that they are all going on to complete their degrees in Industrial Business with full scholarship.

The school is grateful to all the teachers and staff of the school who through their dedication provided the foundation to these students and enabling them to progress to their Diplomas and their Degree programs.

Agape wishes them every success in their endeavours.

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 03 2692 8672.

If there is a pastoral emergency, you can reach the pastoral team on our Emergency Pastoral Care Hotline: 011 2091 4458.

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.

Car Sign for Road Closures

You can pick up a car sign at the back of the Jubilee Hall to let the police know that you are heading to the church and you will be let through in case there are road closures on Sundays. This is not an entry pass but simply a sign to facilitate communication with the police.

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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Baptism

Please pray for Ng Lay Kuan (Patricia), Marcus Foo, Angel Emelife-Ejee and Queen Emelife-Ejee who will be baptised at the Liturgical 11am service today.

In Memoriam

Give thanks for the life of Mr Francis Kanyan Enchang who passed away on 19 November 2020. Thank God for his promise that all who depart in the faith of Christ rest now in peace and will surely rise in glory.