

SMACC Service

19 January 2025 | 9am, 11am, 5pm



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Welcome & Prayer

Song: You Are My Son

You are My Son

The voice from heaven is clear

This chosen One

Announces God's kingdom near

He speaks with authority

Sickness healed and the demons flee

Turn and trust now in the gospel

Jesus God's precious Son

Jesus God's chosen One

Jesus God's suffering child

Taking our sin upon the tree

Bringing us peace setting us free

For He brings God's kingdom in

Speaking a word
He stills the wind and the waves
Who is this One
His frightened friends all exclaim
He raises the dead to life
Thousands fed on a mountainside
Who is this is He the Christ

*Jesus coming as King
Lord above everything
Jesus the great Son of Man
Taking our sin upon the tree
Bringing us peace setting us free
For He brings God's kingdom in*

Taking our sin
He died the death that was mine
Servant of men
The suffering One the divine
He rises up from the grave
Conquering sin so that He can save
This is God redeeming man

*Jesus You are our King
Praise and honour we sing
Jesus our glorious King
Taking our sin upon the tree
Bringing us peace setting us free
For You bring God's kingdom in*

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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: Alas And Did My Saviour Bleed

Alas, and did my Saviour bleed
And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
For such a worm as I?
Was it for sins that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown
And love beyond degree

*My God, why would You shed Your blood
So pure and undefiled
To make a sinful one like me
Your chosen, precious child?*

Well might the sun in darkness hide
And shut His glories in
When Christ, the mighty Maker, died
For man, the creature's, sin
Thus might I hide my blushing face
While His dear cross appears
Dissolve my heart in thankfulness
And melt my eyes to tears

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Baptism (SMACC Wisma)

Children are baptised on the understanding that they are brought up as Christians within the family of church.

Today, on behalf of this child, you shall make solemn vows to follow Christ and you shall profess your faith in him. It is your task to see that this child is taught, as soon as he/she is able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. As he/she grows, he/she will need encouragement, instruction, and the help of a good example, so that he/she may come to trust in Christ for himself/herself and take his/her place in the life of his church.

Are you willing to undertake this task?

Parents and godparents answer:

I am willing.

The Declaration

Parents and godparents will answer all the following questions on behalf of the child candidates.

The Minister continues:

Those who come to be baptised must affirm their allegiance to Christ and their rejection of all that is evil – the devil and all his works, the empty display and false values of the world and the sinful desires of the flesh.

Therefore, *N*, I ask you these questions:

Minister: Do you turn to Christ?

Candidate: **I turn to Christ.**

Minister: Do you repent of your sins?

Candidate: **I repent of my sins.**

Minister: Do you renounce evil?

Candidate: **I renounce evil.**

Minister:

You must now declare before God and his church the Christian faith into which you are to be baptised and in which you will live and grow.

Minister: Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Minister: Do you believe and trust in his Son,
Jesus Christ as Lord and Saviour?

All: **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.**

Minister: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All: **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.**

Minister: This is the faith of the church:

All: **This is our faith:
We believe and trust in one God:
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Prayer by Minister

The Baptism

Minister: N, I baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Charge

Minister:

I sign you with the cross the sign of Christ.

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All:

Fight bravely under his banner against sin, the world and the devil. And continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant to the end of your life.

Minister:

God has received you into his church:

All:

We welcome you into the Lord's family.

We are members together of the body of Christ;

We are children of the same heavenly Father.

We are inheritors together of the Kingdom of God.

We welcome you.

Prayer

The Apostles' Creed (SMACC 1 & 2)

All: **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
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his only Son, our Lord.
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and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
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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.**

Greeting Time

Old Testament Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16

¹¹ “For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹² As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³ And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴ I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵ I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶ I will seek

the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 119:169-176 (SMACC 1 & 2)

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¹⁶⁹ Let my cry come before you, O LORD;
give me understanding according to your word!

¹⁷⁰ **Let my plea come before you;
deliver me according to your word.**

¹⁷¹ My lips will pour forth praise,
for you teach me your statutes.

¹⁷² **My tongue will sing of your word,
for all your commandments are right.**

¹⁷³ Let your hand be ready to help me,
for I have chosen your precepts.

¹⁷⁴ **I long for your salvation, O LORD,
and your law is my delight.**

¹⁷⁵ Let my soul live and praise you,
and let your rules help me.

¹⁷⁶ **I have gone astray like a lost sheep; seek your servant,
for I do not forget your commandments.**

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: Matthew 18:1-14

¹ At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” ² And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³ and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

⁵ “Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶ but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea.

⁷ “Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸ And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹ And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it

away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire.

¹⁰ “See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven. ¹² What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³ And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴ So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Song: Show Us Christ

Prepare our hearts, O God
Help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground
Help our unbelief
Plant Your Word down deep in us
Cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear
Lead us in Your truth

*Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord*

Your Word is living light
Upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through temptations
Makes the simple wise
Your Word is food for famished ones
Freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul
Come speak to us today

Where else can we go, Lord
Where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life

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Sermon: Who Is The Greatest?

Matthew 18:1-14

1. Knowing our lowly place
2. Not stumbling others in the race
3. Showing God's great grace

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

Song: You Made Us Your Own

We were ruined in our sin
We were guilty and undone
When Your love reached down with sovereign hands
And beckoned us to come

You sought out the wanderers
Made the prodigals come home
With a lavish feast You welcomed us
For You made us Your own

*You have loved us like You love Your Son
We are heirs with Christ bought by His blood
Oh how great the love that we've been shown
We're Your children now You made us Your own*

We are strangers to the world
But no strangers to Your throne
We draw near You now with confidence
For all our fears are gone

And when Christ our King returns
We'll meet saints we've never known
And forever we will be amazed
That You made us Your own

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Ministry Updates

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

Song: Across The Streets

From the heart of the Father comes the desire
That all of the nations be saved
From the lips of Messiah we have the promise
Behold I am with you always

*Across the streets we will go
We will go, we will go
To the people who have called this place their home
Across the oceans we will fly
Leaving worldly gain behind
To hear the Saviour's praise awake across the globe
We will go, we will go*

We are clothed with the Spirit sent out to witness
That Jesus has risen and reigns
And though fearful and trembling we go remembr'ing
The gospel is mighty to save

The time has come lift up your eyes
The harvest fields are shining shining
The time has come let us arise
For heaven's judge is soon returning

We will go, we will go

We will go, we will go

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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 – 9am (Wisma Anglican), 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.

Cathedral Kids' Church

The Kids' Church classes run on Sunday mornings. The different age groups meet at their respective classrooms at 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!

Community Meal at the Cathedral

Next Community Meal: 9 February 2025

SMAGLOW 2025

SMAGLOW, our camp for the English congregations of the Cathedral, is happening from 1-3 May 2025 at Port Dickson Methodist Centre. Stay tuned for more details in the coming weeks.

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/survey

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

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.

Carparking for Cathedral Services

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.

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.



[Liturgical 7am](#)



[Liturgical 9am](#)



[Liturgical 11am](#)



[Liturgical Online](#)



[SMACC 1](#)



[SMACC 2](#)



[SMACC Wisma](#)

Baptism

Please pray for Ari Jun Shen Marchand who will be baptised at the SMACC Wisma service today.