SMACC Service

21 April 2024 | 11.00 am, 5.00 pm



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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

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

Let all things their Creator bless

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

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: Be Thou My Vision

Be Thou my vision
O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me
Save that Thou art
Thou my best thought
By day or by night
Waking or sleeping
Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom
Be Thou my true Word
I ever with Thee
And Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father
And I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling
And I with Thee one

Be Thou my shield
And my sword for the fight
Be Thou my dignity
Be Thou my might
Thou my soul's shelter
And Thou my high tow'r
Raise Thou me heav'nward
O pow'r of my pow'r

Riches I heed not
Nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance
Now and always
Thou and Thou only
Be first in my heart
High King of heaven
My treasure Thou art

High King of heaven
When vict'ry is won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart
Whatever befall
Still be my vision
O Ruler of all

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The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, All: 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: Daniel 8:15-18

¹⁵ When I, Daniel, had seen the vision, I sought to understand it. And behold, there stood before me one having the appearance of a man. ¹⁶ And I heard a man's voice between the banks of the Ulai, and it called, "Gabriel, make this man understand the vision." ¹⁷ So he came near where I stood. And when he came, I was frightened and fell on my face. But he said to me, "Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end."

¹⁸ And when he had spoken to me, I fell into a deep sleep with my face to the ground. But he touched me and made me stand up.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 93

- ¹ The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt. Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.
- ² Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.
- ³ The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.
- ⁴ Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty!
- Your decrees are very trustworthy;
 holiness befits your house,
 O LORD, forevermore.

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 1:9-20

⁹ I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. ¹⁰ I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet ¹¹ saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea."

Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, ¹³ and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. ¹⁴ The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, ¹⁵ his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶ In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.

¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, ¹⁸ and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades. ¹⁹ Write therefore the things that you have seen, those that are and those that are to take place after this. ²⁰ As for the mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand, and the seven golden lampstands, the seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Greeting Time

Song: See Him Coming

Glory and power to the One who loves us
Honour and praise Him forever
Come Lord Jesus
Come Lord Jesus

See Him coming on the clouds of heaven
Every eye behold Him now
He's the Living One
The first and last who once was dead
But now He lives forever and ever

Glory and power to the One who freed us From all our sins by His blood Come Lord Jesus Come Lord Jesus

Glory and power to the One who made us A kingdom of priests for God's service Come Lord Jesus Come Lord Jesus Jesus is the Living One
Who died and came alive
Jesus is almighty Lord
Who was and is to come

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Sermon: In The Hand Of The L	.ord
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Revelation 1:9-20

1. Introduction

2. John is Called to Write (v9-11)

a. His circumstances (v9)

b. His mission (v10-11)

3.	The Lord who Speaks to John (v12-16)
4.	The Lord who Speaks to Us (v17-20)
5.	Application
	a. Faithfulness to Jesus
	b. How we read Revelation
	you have questions regarding the sermon, please submit at marys.my/ask)

Song: Turn Your Eyes

Turn your eyes upon Jesus

Look full in His wonderful face

And the things of earth will grow strangely dim

In the light of His glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside
Where justice and mercy embrace
There the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes
Jesus, our glory and our prize
We adore You, behold You, our Saviour ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the lion awake
What a glorious dawn fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

Turn your eyes to the heavens Our King will return for His own Every knee will bow every tongue will shout All glory to Jesus alone

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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: Ancient Of Days

Though the nations rage
Kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King
Reigning over all
So I will not fear
For this truth remains
That my God is the Ancient of Days

None above Him none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne it shall remain and ever stand
All the power all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Though the dread of night
Overwhelms my soul
He is here with me
I am not alone
O His love is sure
And He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

Though I may not see
What the future brings
I will watch and wait
For the Saviour king
Then my joy complete
Standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

For my God is the Ancient of Days

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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

F-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.



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!

Notice of Annual General Meeting for the Year Ending 2023

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Cathedral is scheduled to be held on Saturday, 27 April 2024 at 10.30am in the Multi-Purpose Hall, St Mary's Cathedral.

- The AGM reports will be available from 12 April 2024 to electoral roll members. Kindly request for a copy online at <u>stmarys.my/agm</u> or you can call the Cathedral Office at 03 26928672 during office hours to request for a copy.
- Only electoral roll members are invited to attend and to vote at the AGM. If you like to register to attend the AGM, please register at <u>stmarys.my/agm</u> by 5pm, 25 April. If you find it hard to register online, you can call the Cathedral Office at 03 26928672 during office hours and Mrs Nesamani will help with the registration.
- Nominations for People Warden, Council Members and Internal Auditors can be submitted by email to the Dean at <u>andrew.cheah@stmaryscathedral.org.my</u> with the names of the proposer and seconder before the meeting or be nominated and seconded at the meeting. There will be a response to the email. In the

event you do not receive a response, kindly follow up with the office.

- Motion on the amendments to the Cathedral
 Constitution will be proposed by the Very Rev Dr
 Andrew Cheah (Dean of St Mary's Cathedral) on behalf
 of the Cathedral Council.
- Any other business and deliberations pertaining to the AGM must be brought to the attention of the Dean and Hon. Secretary before 19 April 2024 by emailing andrew.cheah@stmaryscathedral.org.my and secretary@stmaryscathedral.org.my
- While questions from the floor will be permitted, we would appreciate it if you could submit questions you may have that arise from the reports, accounts or budget before 19 April. You may do so by emailing secretary@stmaryscathedral.org.my. This would enable questions and answers to be prepared beforehand to expedite proceedings.

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

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.

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 now in its 10th year of operation and currently has over 100 students. As such, the school is always on the lookout for volunteers who might be keen to teach the children. If you have a heart for seeing vulnerable children receive an education and would like to find out more about what is involved, please contact Mei Tan at 012 387 3408. (Retired teachers are preferred.)

The school is located near Ampang, and the time for volunteering is 9am-12pm and/or 1-3pm from Mondays to Thursdays.

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 <a href="marker:stmarke

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

<u>stmarys.my/youthbaptismconfirmation</u> 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.







Liturgical 9am

Liturgical 11am







Liturgical Online

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