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Welcome & Prayer

Song: Come Praise And Glorify

Come praise and glorify our God
The Father of our Lord
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms
His blessings on us poured
For pure and blameless in His sight
He destined us to be
And now we've been adopted through
His Son eternally

*To the praise of Your glory
To the praise of Your mercy and grace
To the praise of Your glory
You are the God who saves*

Come praise and glorify our God
Who gives His grace in Christ
In Him our sins are washed away
Redeemed through sacrifice
In Him God has made known to us
The myst'ry of His will
That Christ should be the head of all
His purpose to fulfil

Come praise and glorify our God
For we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal
The Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope
Until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise
To God the Three in One

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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: Rock Of Ages

Rock of ages, cleft for me
Hide me now, my refuge be
Let the water and the blood
From your wounded side which flowed
Be for sin the double cure
Cleanse me from its guilt and power

Not the labours of my hands
Can fulfil your law's demands
Could my zeal no respite know
Could my tears forever flow
All for sin could not atone
You must save, and You alone

Nothing in my hand I bring
Simply to Your cross I cling
Naked come to You for dress
Helpless look to You for grace
Stained by sin, to You I cry
Wash me, Saviour, or I die

While I draw this fleeting breath
When my eyelids close in death
When I soar through realms unknown
Bow before the judgement throne
Hide me then, my refuge be
Rock of ages, cleft for me

Words Rev. A.M. Toplady, 1775

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Baptism (SMACC 2)

The Declaration

Minister:

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?

Candidate: **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?

Candidate: **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?

Candidate: **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 Wisma & SMACC 1)

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: Ezekiel 47:6-12

⁶ And he said to me, “Son of man, have you seen this?”

Then he led me back to the bank of the river. ⁷ As I went back, I saw on the bank of the river very many trees on the one side and on the other. ⁸ And he said to me, “This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah, and enters the sea; when the water flows into the sea, the water will become fresh.⁹ And wherever the river goes, every living creature that swarms will live, and there will be very many fish. For this water goes there, that the waters of the sea may become fresh; so everything will live where the river goes. ¹⁰ Fishermen will stand beside the sea. From Engedi to Eneglaim it will be a place for the spreading of nets. Its fish will be of very many kinds, like the fish of the Great Sea. ¹¹ But its swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they are to be left for salt. ¹² And on the banks, on both sides of the river, there will grow all kinds of trees for food. Their leaves will not wither, nor their fruit fail, but they will bear fresh fruit every month, because the water for them flows from the sanctuary. Their fruit will be for food, and their leaves for healing.”

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 118:19-24

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰ **This is the gate of the LORD;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

²¹ I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

²² **The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.**

²³ This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvellous in our eyes.

²⁴ **This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

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 22:6-21

⁶ And he said to me, “These words are trustworthy and true. And the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent his angel to show his servants what must soon take place.”

⁷ “And behold, I am coming soon. Blessed is the one who keeps the words of the prophecy of this book.”

⁸ I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, ⁹ but he said to me, “You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God.”

¹⁰ And he said to me, “Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near. ¹¹ Let the evildoer still do evil, and the filthy still be filthy, and the righteous still do right, and the holy still be holy.”

¹² “Behold, I am coming soon, bringing my recompense with me, to repay each one for what he has done. ¹³ I am

the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.”

¹⁴ Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they may have the right to the tree of life and that they may enter the city by the gates. ¹⁵ Outside are the dogs and sorcerers and the sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.

¹⁶ “I, Jesus, have sent my angel to testify to you about these things for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.”

¹⁷ The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price.

¹⁸ I warn everyone who hears the words of the prophecy of this book: if anyone adds to them, God will add to him the plagues described in this book, ¹⁹ and if anyone takes away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God

will take away his share in the tree of life and in the holy city, which are described in this book.

²⁰ He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!

²¹ The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Greeting Time

Song: Maker Made A Child

There was once a child a son born long ago
In Bethlehem's dark cold night
A promise for the world His birth was long foretold
A baby born to swallow death

*Oh Bethlehem a prophet told
From your streets will rise the ruler of all time
Oh Bethlehem our king you hold
For the Maker of the world is made a child
Oh the Maker of the world is made a child*

Descended from the kings of ever failing hearts
Begotten from before all time
Behold the Prince of Peace behold the Son of God
Who's swaddled now in mortal flesh

The One who breathed out stars
Now draws a shaking breath
The light of life among us dwells
Oh hear the darkness quake as angels all proclaim
The glory of Immanuel

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Sermon: The Words And The Coming WORD

Revelation 22:6-21

Intro: Jesus is coming... (v6)

So, **keep** the words of this book (v7-11)

And **come** to the one who gives life (v12-17)

Beware of **not keeping** the words of this book (v18-19)

Conclusion: Come Lord Jesus! (v20-21)

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

Song: See Him Coming

Glory and power to the One who loves us

Honour and praise Him forever

Come Lord Jesus

Come Lord Jesus

Glory and power to the One who freed us

From all our sins by His blood

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 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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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: There Is A Higher Throne

There is a higher throne
Than all this world has known,
Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue
Will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand,
Made faultless through the Lamb;
Believing hearts find promised grace—
Salvation comes.

*Hear heaven's voices sing;
Their thund'rous anthem rings
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies.
Their praises rise.
All glory, wisdom, pow'r,
Strength, thanks, and honour are
To God our King, who reigns on high
Forevermore.*

And there we'll find our home,
Our life before the throne;
We'll honour Him in perfect song
Where we belong.
He'll wipe each tear-stained eye
As thirst and hunger die.
The Lamb becomes our Shepherd King;
We'll reign with Him.

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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: 12 January 2025

New Year's Eve and New Year's Day Services

We invite you to join us for our New Year's Eve service on Zoom at 11.30pm, Tuesday, 31 December 2024. Please click on this link that will take you straight into the Zoom meeting: stmarys.my/nye

Please also join us for our New Year's Day services on Wednesday, 1 January 2025:

English Liturgical

9am, Jubilee Hall

English Contemporary (SMACC)

11am, Multi-Purpose Hall

Hope Explored

Hope Explored is a 3-session course that helps you to explore the great longings in life: for hope, for peace and

for purpose. Do join us to find out what the gospel of Luke says about these longings.

Please join us in-person for 3 Sunday afternoons from 5 January 2025, at 1.30 pm. A simple lunch will be served. You can register using the form here:

stmarys.my/findoutmore

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 first term for 2025 begins on 21 January.

Online theological courses on offer are Bible Overview, New Testament 1 and New Testament 2. These courses are offered in partnership with Equip Seminary.

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

The Cathedral Electoral Roll

Joining the Electoral Roll

We encourage all our baptised and confirmed members who come regularly to our church to be on our Electoral Roll. Joining the Electoral Roll will enable you to vote at our Annual General Meetings (AGM).

If you would like to sign up to be on the roll, please fill in the form here: stmarys.my/electoralroll.enrolment

The electoral roll for 2025 will close on 31 December 2024.

Notice of revision of roll

The Electoral Roll shall be revised annually by the Dean in accordance with Schedule B of the Constitution of Diocese of West Malaysia. Notice is hereby given that the intended revision will begin on 1 January 2025.

Golden Circle Newsletter

To download and read the Golden Circle newsletter, 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

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.

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.



[Liturgical 7am](#)



[Liturgical 9am](#)



[Liturgical 11am](#)



[Liturgical Online](#)



[SMACC 1](#)



[SMACC 2](#)



[SMACC Wisma](#)

Cathedral Office

The Cathedral Office is closed on 1 & 2 January, and will reopen on 3 January.