



ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL
MUMBAI

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The Church of North India
A member of the worldwide Anglican Communion

Sundays 7 a.m. Eucharist (*said*) † 8.45 a.m. Eucharist (*sung*)

Weekdays 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. for a time of quiet prayer and reflection

UN International Day of Indigenous People

O, Creator God,
you made the circle of life,
that no one may be left behind;
we have gathered together to remember your love
and practice our faith in our respective contexts.
As the world remembers today
the needs and aspirations of the Tribal and Adivasi Communities,
open our eyes to see the beauty of their cultures, traditions, food
and their diverse lifestyle in the midst of struggles.
Teach us to embrace the discomfort that comes from our diversity,
and to celebrate the fact that we are unified,
not through our sameness,
but through the blood of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
Guide us in our discernment
and help us to be ever faithful and true to your word.
Amen.



The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Choral Eucharist
Sunday 9th August 2026 • 8.45 a.m.

Welcome to St Thomas' Cathedral for this service

We are the mother church of the Diocese of Bombay in the Church of North India, a member of the worldwide Anglican Communion. For over 300 years, the people of St. Thomas' Cathedral have sought to be a body through which the light of Christ is seen, his life is shared, and his work is done.

The basis for our worship is the *Book of Common Prayer*, our common liturgical heritage with Anglicans across the world (all churches descended from the Church of England). We are rooted in tradition but celebrate the richness and diversity of the Communion. Music and hymnody represent the best of the Anglican choral tradition.

Follow the readings and the Order of Service for the Lord's Supper from *The Book of Common Prayer* (refer page numbers).
The hymns can be found in *Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard*.



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Order of Service

The congregation is asked to join in all text printed in **bold**.

The Gathering

Voluntary

Choral improvisation in A ... Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877 - 1933)

Chorale prelude on "Jesu, lover of my soul" ... Alec Rowley (1892 - 1958)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit

Sung by the choir

At the name of Jesus
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.

Words: Caroline Noel (1817 - 1877)

Tune: EVELYNS

William Monk (1817 - 1877)

All stand and face the West Door

Call to Worship

Presbyter

Hear the word of the Lord,
all you who enter these gates to worship:

All

We come into God's house to seek His presence.

Do we come with clean hands and honest hearts?

Search us, O God, and know our hearts.

Forgive us when our actions mismatch our praise.

Continued. Turn over.

Presbyter Reform your ways and your actions.
Do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with your God.
All **Come, let us worship the living God in Spirit
and in truth.**

All join in singing the hymn
Before Jehovah's

The Entrance Hymn | # 197

Tune: OLD 100th

Please be seated

All say together **The Prayer of Preparation | page 260**

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the day | page 471

Said together by all

The Lesson | 472

Jeremiah 7:9 - 15

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

*Remain seated as the choir sings
the psalm to a chant by D. Purcell*

Psalm

119: 73 – 80

Manus tuae fecerunt me

THY hands have made me and fashioned me : O give me understanding, that I
may learn thy commandments.

⁷⁴ They that fear thee will be glad when they see me : because I have put my
trust in thy word.

⁷⁵ I know, O Lord, that thy judgements are right: and that thou of very
faithfulness hast caused me to be troubled.

Continued

- ⁷⁶ O let thy merciful kindness be my comfort : according to thy word unto thy servant.
- ⁷⁷ O let thy loving mercies come unto me, that I may live : for thy law is my delight.
- ⁷⁸ Let the proud be confounded, for they go wickedly about to destroy me : but I will be occupied in thy commandments.
- ⁷⁹ Let such as fear thee, and have known thy testimonies : be turned unto me.
- ⁸⁰ O let my heart be sound in thy statutes : that I be not ashamed.

*All stand
(sung by the choir)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
And to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
World without end. Amen.

Please be seated

The Epistle | **page 472**

1 Corinthians 12:1 - 11

A reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

At the conclusion of the reading: This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

All stand and join in singing

Filled with the Spirit's power

Gradual Hymn | **# 359**

Tune: FARLEY CASTLE

*Remain standing for the Gospel
as the cantor sings the Alleluia and we respond*

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Welcome with meekness the implanted word
that has the power to save your souls.

James 1: 21

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Gospel of Christ | *page 473*

St Luke 19:41 - 47

Gospeller The Lord be with you.
All **And with thy spirit.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The Gospeller This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.
All **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

Remain standing, all reciting the Creed

The Nicene Creed | *page 265*

Please be seated

Sermon

The Reverend Thomas Jacob, *Cathedral Presbyter*

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

The Peace

All stand

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant Let love be genuine. Never pay back evil for evil.
As far as it lies with you, live at peace with everyone.

cf Romans 12.9, 17, 18

All The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.

Members of the congregation greet one another.

Remain standing to sing the offertory hymn.

At this time the altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine and the gifts of the people are gathered and presented. Thank you for your generosity.

All join in singing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 247

I heard the voice of Jesus say

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All say

Offertory Prayer | page 270

Kneel as able or sit

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

Heavenly Father,
who created us to be sisters and brothers in Christ,
hear us as we lift our hearts
in thanksgiving and praise
and hear our prayers and intercessions
for all those in need.
We thank you for the fellowship
of the church family around us
and as we gather once more in this house of prayer,
may our worship not only honour you with our lips,
but also with our hearts and minds. Lord, in your mercy:

All

Hear our Prayer.

God of love and mercy,
we bow down before you in true humility.
On this the *International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples*, we confess that we have sinned against you
by being negligent about the lives of our neighbours.
We have turned blind eyes and ears
to the Tribal and Adivasi communities
when they cried out for help.
Grant us the courage to be vocal against anything that
harms creation and your peoples.
Lord, in your mercy:

Hear our Prayer.

As we recall the struggles of Tribal and Adivasi communities
in our country,
may we be renewed in our commitment to creating a
'Just' society for all communities.
Let us as the Church, pledge to pray and participate and be
the instrument of peace and justice.
Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our Prayer.**

Continued

Intercessor

Loving God,
we raise before you all whose lives
are restricted by illness.
We remember the chronically ill, those in constant pain,
the depressed and the despairing.
We especially pray for those who are unwell and
housebound in our congregation. Lord, in your Mercy:

All

Hear our Prayer.

Merciful God,
we pray for those whose hearts have been saddened
by the death of someone close and dear to them,
for members of our families who have died
and whose anniversary we recall.
Help us to experience the comfort of the Holy Spirit
within us, and the fellowship of the church family around us,
until we are reunited once more in your heavenly kingdom.
Merciful Father:

**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

The General Confession & Absolution | *page 275, 276*

The Consecration | *page 277*

The Communion | *page 284*

Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion

While seated, we sing

Hymn at the Communion

**Though your sins be as scarlet,
They shall be as white as snow; //
Though they be red like crimson,
They shall be as wool;
Though your sins be as scarlet, //
They shall be as white as snow. //**

² **Hear the voice that entreats you,
O return ye unto God! //**
**He is of great compassion,
And of wondrous love;
Hear the voice that entreats you, //**
O return ye unto God! //

³ **He'll forgive your transgressions,
And remember them no more; //**
**"Look unto Me, ye people,"
Saith the Lord your God;
He'll forgive your transgressions, //**
And remember them no more. //

Words: Frances Crosby (1820 - 1915)

Music: William H. Doane (1832 - 1915)

The Thanksgiving | **page 287**

All stand and sing

Gloria in Excelsis | **page 288**

Please be seated for the announcements

All stand

The Blessing

The Presbyter

Open our ears to hear Your voice
and open our eyes so that we may follow
in Your way.
Help us to be attentive to all that You would
teach us, and may we honour Your name
in all that we do, to Your praise and glory.
This we ask in Jesus' name. **Amen.**
And the blessing of God almighty,
† the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.
Amen.

All join in singing

Hymn at the Closing | **# 172**

Glorious things of thee are spoken

Tune: AUSTRIA

Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
In the name of Christ. Amen.

Postlude

A Stately postlude ... Donald Hunt (1930 - 2018)

Please stay back after the service for a time of fellowship over a cup of coffee. Introduce yourself to the Presbyter if you are worshipping with us for the first time.

~ Birthdays this Week ~

"May He give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed."

Psalm 20:4

Mr. P. V. George (11), Ms. Faye Frazer (12), Ms. Malika Khan (14)

Announcements

- The **annual general meeting** (AGM) of the Cathedral's *Women's Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS)* will be held **this morning** immediately after the 8:45 a.m. service.
- There is a **Eucharist service** (said) every **Sunday** at **7 a.m.** Let family and friends know about the provision of this early morning service on Sundays. Do spread the word so a worshipping community can be built up.
- A **Bible quiz** will be conducted on Sunday **23rd August 2026** at 10:45 am. The quiz will have objective type questions based on Psalm 119: 1 - 72 (open Bible), the Book of Haggai and the Book of Zephaniah. Refer the *New King James Version (NKJV)*. Please register your name with Ms. Violet Truman by paying ₹100/-.
- The **Diocesan Youth Fellowship** Committee is organising a 'Talent Fiesta' on 14th September 2026 at Jubilee Church, Sanpada. The last date for registration is 20th August. The theme is 'Servant hearts' (Mark 10:45)
- Carry this service bulletin home with you and share it with a friend. Kindly avoid leaving it behind.

Cathedral ministries... ..

Get involved!

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| • Sunday School | Sunday morning during term time |
| • Women's Fellowship | 2 nd Sunday of the month 10.45 a.m. |
| • Youth Fellowship | 2 nd & 4 th Sunday of the month 10.45 a.m. |
| • Choir | Sunday 10.45 a.m. & Saturday 5.30 p.m.
during term time |

Thoughts & Reflections for Independence Day

(15th August is Independence Day)

*Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high
Where knowledge is free
Where the world has not been broken up into fragments
By narrow domestic walls
Where words come out from the depth of truth
Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection
Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way
Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit
Where the mind is led forward by thee
Into ever-widening thought and action
Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.*

~ Rabindranath Tagore (1861 - 1941)

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“Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord”

Psalm 33: 12

Create thoughts in the minds of our people,
And transform those thoughts into action.
Embed the thought of Nation being bigger than the individual,
in the minds of leaders and people.
Help all the leaders of our country serve selflessly,
and bless our nation with peace and prosperity.
Give strength to all our religious leaders
to bring 'Unity of Minds' among all our billion people.
Almighty God, bless all our people and enable them to work
for unity, peace and social justice.
We ask this prayer in Jesus' name.
Amen.



Pray with us

† FOR THE WORLD

Every 9th August commemorates the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples (World Tribal Day). May every young person discover purpose, every family experience love, and every community grow in unity, dignity, and hope. Let us honour and celebrate the rich tribal cultures, languages, traditions, and heritage of India while praying for a brighter future for every family. We give thanks for the cultures and contributions of Indigenous Peoples across the world.

† FOR OUR COUNTRY

We thank God for the many years of freedom we enjoy in our land. On 15th August we give thanksgiving for freedom which can only be preserved by discipline and self-sacrifice.

† FOR THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH

The 13th century nun, Clare of Assisi is commemorated on 12th August. Clare was one of the first followers of Saint Francis of Assisi. She founded the *Order of Poor Ladies*, a monastic religious order for women in the Franciscan tradition, and wrote their Rule of Life. After Francis's death, Clare continued to promote the growth of her order, writing letters to abbesses in other parts of Europe. The community of 'Poor Clares' continues to this day, both in the Roman Catholic Church and in the Anglican Communion • In the worldwide *Anglican Communion* for The Episcopal Church (USA) and the Presiding Bishop the Most Revd. Sean W. Rowe.

† FOR THE CHURCH IN INDIA

Christian leaders and organisations across the country have mobilized widespread prayer, advocacy, and dialogue regarding the proposed *Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Amendment Bill, 2026*. A delegation of religious leaders representing various Christian denominations and minority organisations met the Union Home Minister last week and urged the government to withdraw this proposed Bill, citing concerns over its potential impact on charitable institutions and constitutional rights. Pray for discernment and wisdom to all entrusted with making policies that the constitutional rights of all are upheld • The Diocese of Bombay (CNI) and Bishop Prabhu Jebamani • The Diocese of East Kerala (CSI) and Bishop V. S. Francis.

† **FOR THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** This week for the Church of St. Mary the Virgin (Malayalam Pastorate), Parel and the Revd. Shalu T. Matthew.

† **FOR OUR CATHEDRAL** Pray for all senior citizens and their care providers • This week for the Cathedral sextons Johnson and Ramesh, the security guards, janitors, gardener, dhobhi (who has to undergo eye surgery) and the photocopier.

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