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TEXT FOR THE DAY

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23

Paul uses the imagery of slavery and urges the Romans to switch from one kind to another. He now switches the image somewhat. From being enslaved to sin and liberated in Christ, he speaks of them being now liberated from sin and enslaved to the service of God. Two kinds of 'slavery' are contrasted. The slavery of sin brings death as wages, sin creates a debt to death. The slavery in faith to Christ as Lord brings life as an unearned, unmerited gift, the gift of life without end.

To our modern way of thinking, slavery of any kind is not to be even considered. But slavery to God and goodness has totally different effects. It is only possible where there is total freedom. This is the true freedom which brings happiness and perfect peace. It is for us to make the choice: to be sin's slave or God's.

The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

Choral Eucharist † Sunday 23rd July 2023 • 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. Christian worship has been offered to God here for over 300 years. By worshipping with us today, you become part of that living tradition.

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

Music before Service

Voluntary in D George Berg (1730 - 1775) Communion Charles Sergisson (1905 - 1988)

Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit Sung by the choir

Now, dear Lord, as we pray, Take our hearts and minds far away From the press of the world all around To Thy throne where grace doth abound. May our lives be transformed by Thy love, May our souls be refreshed from above. At this moment, let people everywhere Join us now as we come to Thee in prayer.

Ralph Carmichael (1927 - 2021)

All stand and face the West Door

Call to Worship

The Presbyter	Loving Father, in You is life, and light, and health, and truth.
All	Thank You that I am Your child,
	and I pray that I may be a servant of righteousness,
	who honours You
	in thought, word, and deed.
	Generous God,
	you redeem us from the debts that we have earned,
	and give us freely what we have not worked for.
	Continued. Turn over

 Presbyter
 You rescue us from the road to destruction,

 All
 and set our feet on the path to life.

 In Jesus' name I pray,
 Amen.

All sing The Entrance Hymn | # 149

Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

Tune: PADERBORN

All sit

All say together

The Collect for Purity | page 260

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the Day | page 463

Read by the Presbyter

The Lesson | page 463

1 Kings 17:8 - 16

A reading from the First Book of Kings.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Psalm 119:49 - 56 Sung by the choir to a chant by Jones

Memor esto servi tui

O THINK upon thy servant, as concerning thy word : wherein thou hast caused me to put my trust.

⁵⁰ The same is my comfort in my trouble : for thy word hath quickened me.

⁵¹ The proud have had me exceedingly in derision : yet have I not shrinked from thy law. *Continued*

 $^{\rm 52}$ For I remembered thine everlasting judgements, O Lord : and received comfort.

⁵³ I am horribly afraid : for the ungodly that forsake thy law.

⁵⁴ Thy statutes have been my songs : in the house of my pilgrimage.

⁵⁵ I have thought upon thy Name, O Lord, in the night-season : and have kept thy law.

⁵⁶ This I had : because I kept thy commandments.

All stand 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.

All sit

The Epistle | page 464

Romans 6:19 - 23

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

All stand and sing

Gradual Hymn |#150

Ye servants of the Lord

Tune: NARENZA

Remain standing for the Gospel



St Mark 8:1-9



GospellerThe Lord be with you.AllAnd with thy spirit.Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.Glory be to thee, O Lord.

At the end of the Gospel:

The GospellerThis is the Gospel of Jesus Christ.AllPraise be to thee, O Christ.

Remain standing for the Creed, all reciting together

The Nicene Creed | page 265

All sit

Sermon

The Revd A. Rangayya

The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

CelebrantBlessed are the peacemakers: they shall be called children
of God. We meet in the name of Christ and share his peace
The peace of the Lord be always with you.Alland also with you.

While remaining in your place, share the sign of peace with a namaste with your neighbour.

Preparation of the Table

The altar is set with the gifts of bread and wine. At this time an offering will be received for the ministries of the Cathedral. Thank you for your generosity.

All join in singing

Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Thou art the potter, I am the clay. Mould me and make me after Thy will, while I am waiting, yielded and still.

² Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Search me and try me, Master today! Whiter than snow, Lord, wash me just now, as in Thy presence humbly I bow.

Words: Adelaide Pollard (1862 - 1934)

Hymn at the Offertory

³ Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Wounded and weary, help me I pray! Power, all power, surely is Thine! Touch me and heal me, Saviour divine!

 ⁴ Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way! Hold o'er my being absolute sway! Fill with Thy Spirit till all shall see Christ only, always, living in me!

> Tune: ADELAIDE George Sebbins (1846 - 1945)

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All say

Offertory Prayer | page 270

Kneel as able or remain seated

The Intercession | page 592 (A)

The General Confession & Absolution | page 275, 276

The Consecration | page 277

The Communion | page 284

Proceed to the High Altar for receiving Communion

During the administration of Communion, while seated we sing

Hymn | # 261

Once, only once, and once for all

Tune: ALBANO

The Thanksgiving | page 287

All stand and sing

Gloria in Excelsis | page 288

The Blessing

The Presbyter May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever He may send you.
May He guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May He bring you home rejoicing at the wonders He has shown you.
May He bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.
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 |# 221

Stand up, stand up for Jesus

Tune: MORNING LIGHT

The Dismissal From the West Door the Presbyter says

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

March... ... John Marsh (b. 1939)

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 the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit."

Romans 15:13

Archana Magar (25), Colin Dawson (27), Jyotsna Mayadas (29)



Today

10.45 am to 11.15 am in the parish hall

- Questions based on **Matthew's Gospel** and the **Book of Malachi** (New King James Version of the Bible)
- Written quiz comprising of 50 questions
- Participation fee Rs. 100/-.
- Prizes and certificates will be awarded
- Snack provided

We look forward to your participation.

Cathedral ministries...

Get involved!

- Sunday School
- Women's Fellowship
- Youth Fellowship
- Choir

Sunday morning during term time

- 2nd Sunday of the month 10.45 am
 - 2nd & 4thSunday of the month 10.45 am
 - Sunday 10.45 am and occasionally Saturday



Children's Ministry in the Diocese of Bombay

The month of July is observed as Children's Ministry month. The children of our Sunday school and their teachers will be participating in the service next Sunday (30th July). *Not this Sunday as was incorrectly printed last week*. The guest preacher will be Dr. Mrs. Deepa Suvarna from All Saints' Church, Malabar Hill.

This ministry was started in 2001 with a vision of equipping and nurturing our children with the Word of God. Children are the future pillars of the Church. In their formative years children are naturally curious. They seek answers for their problems. Sunday school is a good platform where we can help them with the challenges they face and make them grow spiritually in the Lord. God's Word has the power to transform lives.



Sponsorship

We welcome you to be partners in God's mission. You can support by sponsoring:

- Blossom Magazine (a bi-monthly magazine)
- Syllabus books
- Golden Text (Bible verses to be memorized)
- Other ministerial expenses

Bombay Diocesan Council Bank: Indian Bank, Fort A/c no. SB 415156389 The Diocese of Bombay, C.N.I. is providing financial assistance towards relief work in Manipur. The minority tribal Christians have been adversely affected in the ongoing violence. Around 40,000 people have been displaced and are living in relief camps. There is urgent need for foodgrain and medical care. Account name: Bombay Diocesan Council Clergy Fund

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- The annual general meeting of the Cathedral's Women's Fellowship for Christian Service (WFCS) will be held next Sunday 30th July 2023 at 10.30 a.m. in the parish hall.
- Volunteers (on a rota basis) are needed to help us continue the Cathedral's online ministry by recording and uploading services for online viewing. Please contact the Presbyter if you can assist in this way.



† THE WORLD Our thoughts and prayers are with the thousands of South Koreans who have been severely impacted by torrential rain causing floods and landslides. In China and Vietnam, tens of thousands have had to flee from a typhoon bringing fierce winds, storm surges and heavy rain • Continue to pray for peace between Ukraine and Russia.

† OUR COUNTRY The situation in Manipur continues to be distressing and disturbing as more news of atrocities and violence emerges. Pray for swift action by those in authority to put an end to violence and restore peace and harmony. Pray for those providing relief to the many families who have been displaced • For all places where life has been disrupted due to heavy rainfall in the country.

[†] **THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** James Apostle & Martyr is commemorated in the Church calendar on 25th July. Let us offer our thanksgiving for James, the brother of John, the first of the twelve to die as a martyr. Pray for all churches and institutions dedicated to James • For the Anglican Communion – The Province of Central Africa and the Right Reverend Chama.

[†] THE CHURCH IN INDIA Today we remember Lal Behari Dey (convert and educationist, baptised 1843). Dey was was a journalist, who became a missionary and minister of the Free Church of Scotland • The Diocese of North East India and the Right Reverend Michael Herenz • The Diocese of Central Karnataka and the Right Reverend Prasana Kumar Samuel.

† THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY For Emmanuel Church (Marathi Pastorate), Grant Road and the Reverend K. Anandaraju • For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in providing leadership for our Diocese.

† **OUR CATHEDRAL** For all senior citizens; those who are unwell and their care providers • This week for the altar guild • The Board of Governors, Principal, staff and pupils of the Cathedral & John Connon School. The School's annual Speech Day (prize day) was held yesterday.

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