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# Christ the King



The Sunday Next Before Advent Choral Eucharist † Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023 • 8.45 a.m.

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#### ABOUT CHRIST THE KING

Today marks the end of the long season after the Day of Pentecost and the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical calendar. Known as Christ the King Sunday, it celebrates the all-embracing authority of Christ as Lord of all things, for in Christ all things began and in Christ all things will be fulfilled. We now find ourselves on the threshold of Advent, the season of hope for Christ's return.

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## Order of Service

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

## The Gathering

## Voluntary

Praeludium ... ... Nicolaus Bruhns, 1665 - 1697

## Welcome

All keep silence and prepare for worship.

Introit Sung by the choir

Let all the world in every corner sing,

my God and King.

The heavens are not too high,

His praise may thither fly:

the earth is not too low,

His praises there may grow.

Let all the world in every corner sing,

my God and King.

Words: George Herbert, 1593 - 1632

Tune: LUCKINGTON Basil Harwood, 1859 - 1949

#### All stand and face the West Door.

## Invitation to Worship

The Presbyter	Lift up your heads, O gates;	
	be lifted up, you everlasting doors;	
All	and the King of glory shall come in.	
	'Who is the King of glory?'	
	'The Lord, strong and mighty,	
	the Lord who is mighty in battle.' Continued	

Presbyter	Lift up your heads, O gates;	
	be lifted up, you everlasting doors;	
All	and the King of glory shall come in.	
	'Who is this King of glory?'	
	'The Lord of hosts,	
	He is the King of glory.'	

 All sing
 The Entrance Hymn | # 101

 O worship the King
 Tune: HANOVER

in sie

All say together

The Collect for Purity | page 260

## The Liturgy of the Word

## The Collect for Christ the King | page 574 Read by the Presbyter

## The Old Testament Lesson | page 574

I Chronicles II.I - 3

A reading from the First Book of Chronicles.

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

All Thanks be to God.

## **Responsorial Psalm**

The cantors introduce the refrain. All repeat.

# Refrain O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing all the earth.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord, all the earth! sing to God and praise His Name. Proclaim God's salvation day by day, tell of God's glory among the nations, and God's marvels to all the people.

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Shout for joy, all trees of the woods, at the presence of God, who now comes to judge the earth with right and the people with truth.

O sing a new song to the Lord, sing to the Lord, sing all the earth.

The Epistle | page 575

Colossians 1.9 - 20

Tune: GWALCHMAI

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians. At the end of the reading This is the word of the Lord. All **Thanks be to God.** 

All stand and sing.

## Gradual Hymn |# 194

King of glory, King of peace

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

The Gospel of Christ | page 576

St. John 18.33 - 37

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

You, Christ, are the King of glory, the eternal Son of the Father. **Alleluia**, alleluia.

The GospellerThe Lord be with you.AllAnd with thy spirit.Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.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 for the Creed, all reciting together.

## The Nicene Creed | page 265

All sit

## Sermon

The Reverend Avinash Rangayya, Cathedral Presbyter

## The Liturgy of the Sacrament

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

CelebrantTo crown all things there must be love,<br/>to bind all together and complete the whole. Colossians 3.14,15<br/>The peace of the Lord be always with you.Alland 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.

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All sing

Hymn at the Offertory | # 262

#### Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Tune: HYFRYDOL

All say

## Offertory Prayer | page 270

We keep a moments silence as a candle is lit to symbolise God's light in this time of conflict and despair in the Holy Land. Kneel as able or remain seated

Intercessor Let us with confidence present our prayers		our prayers and	
	supplications to the throne of grace.		
	We pray for all those in position	s of power,	
	that they may govern with wisdo	om and integrity,	
	serving the needs of their people	2.	
	May your reign come;		
All	Lord, hear our prayer.		
	We pray for the Church, the sig	n of your reign,	
	that it may extend your welcome	e to people of every	
	race and background.		
	May your kingdom come;		
	Lord, hear our prayer.		
	We pray for Christians of every	denomination,	
	that together we may come to u	nderstand	
	the royal priesthood you bestow	ed on us in baptism.	
	May your dominion come;		
	Lord, hear our prayer.		
	We pray for those whose comm	itment to truth	
	brings them into conflict with earthly powers,		
	that they may have the courage to endure.		
	May your rule come;		
	Lord, hear our prayer.		
	We pray for this community of faith,		
	that attentive to your word		
	we may always worship in spirit and in truth.		
	May your reign come;		
	Lord, hear our prayer.		
	We pray for those who have recently died		
	and for their resurrection into the Kingdom of God,		
	and for those whose anniversary	•	
	, Lord in your mercy:		
	Hear our prayer.	Continued. Turn over.	
	• •		

Faithful God,

we give thanks to you for all that you do in our lives. As the Church year comes to an end we commend to you all those for whom we have prayed throughout the year and ask that you continue to use us and our prayers to make a difference in their lives. **Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.** 

The General Confession & Absolution | pages 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 |# 256

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Tune: PICARDY

The Thanksgiving | page 287

All stand and sing.

Gloria in Excelsis | page 288

Presbyter	God the Father, who has given to His Son the name above every name, strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.
All	Amen.
	God the Son,
	who is our great high priest passed into the heavens,
	plead for you at the right hand of the Father.
	Amen.
	God the Holy Spirit,
	who pours out His abundant gifts upon the Church,
	make you faithful servants of Christ our King.
	† the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
	be among you and remain with you always.
	Amen. Crown him, Lord of all.

All join in singing

## Hymn at the Closing |# 147

Crown Him with many crowns

From the West Door the Presbyter says

The Dismissal

Tune: DIADEMATA

PresbyterGo in peace to love and serve the Lord.AllIn the name of Christ, Amen.

Postlude

Fanfare ... ... Nicolas Jacques, 1823 - 1881

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

"For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways."

Psalm 91:11

Meera Isaacs (26), Dilara Khan (27), Rajeev Ohol (27), Sathya Godson (28), Alfreda Ohol (2<sup>nd</sup> December)

- An early morning prayer session (online) is conducted every Monday from 6 a.m. to 6.30 a.m. If you would like to log in, contact the Presbyter.
- All are warmly welcome to attend a short service "Come Lord Jesus" on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 at 6.30 pm to prepare us for the Season of Advent. This year Advent begins on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. This marks the beginning of a new liturgical year for the Church.
- Eucharist services, the Sunday School Nativity play, carol services and seasonal music programmes are listed on page 14 of this bulletin. Do make an effort to attend and inform your friends. This year the annual *Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols* is on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December. There are renditions of Christmas music by the Paranjoti Choir (conducted by Firdause Wadia) and Wild Voices (conducted by George John) in the weeks leading up to Christmas.

## C.N.I. Day

The Church of North India (CNI) was established on 29<sup>th</sup> November 1970 by bringing together most of the Protestant churches working in northern India. It is a province of the worldwide Anglican Communion and a member of the World Methodist Council and the World Communion of Reformed Churches. The merger, which had been in discussions since 1929, came eventually between the Church of India, Pakistan, Burma and Ceylon (Anglican), the Methodist Church (British & Australian), Disciples of Christ, and some congregations from the United Church of Northern India.

#### A service of thanksgiving will be held on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023 at 5.30pm in the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Parel All are warmly invited to attend.

## Cathedral ministries... ....

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

*Get involved!* Sunday morning during term time 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month 10.45 am 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>Sunday of the month 10.45 am Sunday 10.45 am and occasionally Saturday

## Prayer for peace in the Holy Land

God of peace and compassion,

we pray for all impacted by the escalation in conflict in Israel, Palestine for all who are mourning

for all who are fearful, today, and for what may lie ahead

for all traumatised and by what they have experienced.

Enable us to stand in solidarity with people of peace.

May your Spirit bring peace and healing to your troubled world.

Amen.



## An Advent Sequence

A short service of quiet reflection and preparation on the eve of Advent

## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023 • 6.30 pm

The words from Isaiah 9:2-7 prepare us to receive Christ as the child who comes to us in Bethlehem. Isaiah's words also prepare us to receive Christ when he comes again in power.

Sing much-loved Advent hymns and listen to choral and organ music for Advent.

All are welcome

Eucharist services	Carol services, seasonal music & Nativity play
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec First Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	Sat 2nd Dec"Come, Lord Jesus"6.30 pmAn Advent sequence
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec Second Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	
Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec Third Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec Carol service of 9 am The Cathedral School
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec Fourth Sunday of Advent 7 am, 8.45 am	Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec Nativity play by the 10.45 am Sunday School and Christmas get together
Christmas Eve • Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec 10 pm - Christmas music 10.30 pm - Festival Choral Eucharist with blessing of crib	Sun 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec A Festival of 6.30 pm Nine Lessons & Carols with the Cathedral choir and guest singers
The Nativity of our LordChristmas DayMon 25th Dec9 am - Festival Choral Eucharist	Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Dec 7 pm interspersed with organ music for Advent and Christmas
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec - Sunday after Christmas 7 am, 8.45 am	
Watchnight service New Year's Eve • Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 11 pm Choral Eucharist	
The Naming & Circumcisionof JesusThanksgiving for a new yearMon Ist January 20249 am (said Eucharist)	

All are welcome

† THE WORLDOur heartfelt prayers continue for peace in the HolyLand • Pray for peace in Myanmar (Burma) and between Ukraine and Russia.† OUR COUNTRYPray for the safety and well-being of the workerstrappped in a tunnel in Uttarakhand. Pray for the emergency personnel involved inthe rescue operations • Today marks 15 years since the terror attacks on our City.Pray for the families who lost their dear one • Pray that the alarming levels of risingair pollution may be reversed with responsible action by all.

**† THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** St Andrew's Day is on 30<sup>th</sup> November. We give thanksgiving for the life and ministry of St. Andrew and pray for churches and institutions named after him • In the *Anglican Communion* - The Church of Nigeria and the Most Revd Henry C. Ndukuba

† THE CHURCH IN INDIA We pray for the Moderator, Deputy Moderator,
Bishops, Presbyters, Synod office bearers, the Councils and pastorates of the
Church of North India as we we give thanks on the anniversary of its formation
For the guidance of the Holy Spirit in the selection of the Moderator of the
Church of South India.

† THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY Continue to uphold in your prayers the family of Revd S. Mhaske who passed away last week • Christopher's Church (Malyalam Pastorate) and the Reverend Abraham Sathyanathan.

**† OUR CATHEDRAL** All senior citizens and those who are unwell. Pray for all care providers • This week for the Cathedral's Youth Fellowship

The flowers in the Sanctuary this morning are in loving memory of the late Mrs. Chandramathi Moses beloved mother of Dr. Kamal, Jadhav on the occasion of her birth anniversary.

## The Collect for St. Andrew the Apostle 30<sup>th</sup> November



Almighty God,

who didst give such grace unto Thy holy Apostle Saint Andrew,

that he readily obeyed the calling of Thy Son Jesus Christ,

and followed him without delay:

Grant unto us all, that we, being called by Thy holy word,

may forthwith give up ourselves obediently to fulfil Thy holy commandments; through the same lesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

## Sharing the Joy of Christmas

Give generously to share Christmas joy with clergy, missionaries and their families of churches in the various CNI dioceses in Maharashtra.

Contribute towards provisions like tur dal, Vanaspati ghee, jaggery, peanuts, chana dal, dry fruits, besan, maida, sugar, tea, rava, cooking oil etc.

You can contribute Rs. 3,500/- for a box of provisions to a family. You may support any number of families. Contributions can be made by cash/ cheque/ bank transfer.

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