



ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL
MUMBAI

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The Church of North India

A member of the worldwide Anglican Communion

Sundays 7 am Eucharist (*said*) † 8.45 am Eucharist (*sung*)

Weekdays 7 am to 6 pm for a time of quiet prayer and reflection

TEXT FOR THE DAY

Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Luke 6:36

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God's compassion is all-embracing. His love reaches out to all without any discrimination between saint and sinner.

In the Gospel this morning, we are told to follow that compassion by not sitting in judgement on others. That in no way means that we are to be blind to the genuine faults of others. But we are not in a position to take the higher moral ground so that we can sit in judgement on the supposed wrongdoer.

The Gospel calls for great generosity in our relationship with others. Not just material generosity, but generosity in love, in understanding, in tolerance and acceptance, in compassion and forgiveness. The more generous we are with others the more we will receive in return. And so we pray:

*LORD, teach me to be generous,
to give and not to count the cost,
to fight and not to heed the wounds,
to toil and not to seek for rest,
to labour and to seek no reward
save that of knowing that I do your holy will.
Amen.*

(St. Ignatius of Loyola)

The Fourth Sunday after Trinity

Choral Eucharist

Sunday 28th June 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 *The English Hymnal*.



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Order of Service

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

The Gathering

Voluntary

Prelude & Fugue in d minor, BWV 554 - Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

Andante, from organ sonata No. 6 - Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdy (1809 - 1847)

All keep silence and prepare for worship

Introit

Sung by the choir

Let the beauty of Jesus be seen in me,
All His wonderful passion and purity;
O Thou Spirit divine, all my nature refine,
Till the beauty of Jesus be seen in me.

Words: Albert W. T. Orsborn (1886 - 1967)

Music: Tom. M. Jones (1891 - 1978)

All stand and face the West Door

Call to Worship

Presbyter

Come, let us gather in the presence of the one
who knows our hearts and loves us still.

All

**We come seeking the grace of God,
who calls us to be merciful as He is merciful.**

Let us leave behind the blindness of our own faults
to walk in the light of Christ.

**With humble hearts and spirits ready to learn,
let us worship God together!**

All join in singing the hymn

Thine for ever! God of love

The Entrance Hymn | # 344

Tune: NEWINGTON

The Liturgy of the Word

The Collect for the day | **page 455**

All say together

The Lesson | **page 456**

Genesis 3: 17 - 19

A reading from the Book of Genesis.

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 Hindle*

Psalm

119: 25 - 32

Adhaesit pavimento

MY soul cleaveth to the dust : O quicken thou me, according to thy word.

²⁶ I have acknowledged my ways, and thou heardest me : O teach me thy statutes.

²⁷ Make me to understand the way of thy commandments : and so shall I talk of thy wondrous works.

²⁸ My soul melteth away for very heaviness : comfort thou me according unto thy word.

²⁹ Take from me the way of lying : and cause thou me to make much of thy law.

³⁰ I have chosen the way of truth : and thy judgements have I laid before me.

³¹ I have stuck unto thy testimonies : O Lord, confound me not.

³² I will run the way of thy commandments : when thou hast set my heart at liberty.

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.

Please be seated

A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans.

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

All stand and join in singing

Gradual Hymn

**'Forgive our sins as we forgive,'
you taught us, Lord, to pray,
but you alone can grant us grace
to live the words we say.**

**² How can your pardon reach and bless
the unforgiving heart,
that broods on wrongs and will not let
old bitterness depart?**

**³ In blazing light your cross reveals
the truth we dimly knew:
what trivial debts are owed to us,
how great our debt to you!**

**⁴ Lord, cleanse the depths within our souls,
and bid resentment cease;
then, bound to all in bonds of love,
our lives will spread your peace.**

Words: Rosamond E. Herklots (1905 - 1987)

Tune: MARTYRDOM (# 367)

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

The Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned.

Forgive, and you will be forgiven.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

The Gospel of Christ | **page 457**

St Luke 6. 36 - 42

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.**

All sing **Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!**
 O, what a foretaste of glory divine!
 Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
 born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

***This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long.***

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

All stand

The Peace

The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace

Celebrant God has reconciled us to Himself through Christ
 and given us the ministry of reconciliation.
 The peace of the Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

Members of the congregation greet one another with a sign of peace.

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 | # 511

When all thy mercies, O my God

Tune: BELGRAVE

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All say

Offertory Prayer | **page 270**

Please kneel as able or sit

The Prayers of the People

Intercessor

Almighty God,
as we come together to worship and praise you,
and thank you for all that you give us,
we ask you to hear our prayers for the Church, the world,
our local community and people in need.

Lord, in your mercy:

All

hear our prayer.

Holy God,

we pray for all churches throughout the world
as they meet to worship and praise you and enjoy
fellowship with each other.

We particularly pray for the safety of Christians who are
persecuted because of their faith. Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

We pray for all Church leaders. Especially for Paritosh our
Moderator; Reuben, the Moderator of the *Church of South
India*, Theodosius Mar Thoma, Metropolitan of the *Mar
Thoma Church*; Prabhu our Bishop and Thomas our
Presbyter. Send your Holy Spirit to guide, strengthen and
inspire them as they seek to lead their congregation.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your blessing on the congregation of the
Cathedral Church of St. Thomas the Apostle, that your joy
and your love will flow freely in and through us to reach out
to people in need. Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Creator God,

we pray for our troubled world.

Give wisdom to all world leaders and encourage them to
look for ways to bring peace to all areas where there is
conflict. We pray for reconciliation between people of the
various faiths that exist throughout the world.

Lord, in your mercy: **hear our prayer.**

Continued

Intercessor Loving God,
 we pray for those who are ill, for those who are
 experiencing extreme pain and for those anxiously awaiting
 a diagnosis, treatment or an operation.
 Lord, in your mercy:
hear our prayer.

All Merciful God,
 your Son Jesus Christ is the light of the World,
 a light which no darkness can quench.
 We remember before You those who have died,
 and pray that they are now experiencing
 the light of Christ which shines eternally and brings hope
 and comfort to the bereaved. Lord, in your mercy:
hear our prayer.

Everlasting God,
 as we leave this service, we thank you for the knowledge
 that you are always with us
 as we seek to serve you during the coming week.
 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 | **# 414**

Jesu, Lover of my soul

Tune: ABERYSTWYTH

The Thanksgiving | *page 287*

All stand and sing

Gloria in Excelsis | *page 288*

The Blessing

The Presbyter

May the Lord our God make us into a community that is built upon love, forgiveness, and obedience.

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

† 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

Help us accept each other

as Christ accepted us;

teach us as sister, brother,

each person to embrace.

Be present, Lord, among us

and bring us to believe:

we are ourselves accepted

and meant to love and live.

2. **Teach us, O Lord, your lessons,
as in our daily life
we struggle to be human
and search for hope and faith.
Teach us to care for people,
for all - not just for some,
to love them as we find them
or as they may become.**

3. **Let your acceptance change us
so that we may be moved
in living situations
to do the truth in love;
to practice your acceptance
until we know by heart
the table of forgiveness
and laughter's healing art.**

Continued. Turn over.

**4. Lord, for today's encounters
with all who are in need,
who hunger for acceptance,
for justice and for bread,
we need new eyes for seeing,
new hands for holding on:
renew us with your Spirit;
Lord, free us, make us one!**

Words: Revd Fred Kaan (1929 – 2009)

Tune: AURELIA (# 489)
S.S. Wesley (1810 – 76)

Dismissal

From the West Door the Presbyter says

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

Postlude

Epilogue - Norman Gilbert (1912 - 1975)

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 we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works,
which God prepared in advance for us to do.”*

Ephesians 2:10

Ms. Tara Thomas Chacko (28), Mrs. Reena Pasgon (28),
Mr. Ashok Joshi (29), Mr. Augustine Pastala (29),
Mr. Jonathan Mayo (1st July)

~ Wedding Anniversary this Week ~

“And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”

Colossians 3:14

Mr. Gautam Benjamin & Mrs. Anupama Katakam (3rd July)



The Collect for

SAINT PETER, APOSTLE & MARTYR

29th June

* * *

O ALMIGHTY God,
who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to Thy Apostle Saint Peter
many excellent gifts, and commandedst him earnestly to feed thy
flock: Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to
preach Thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the
same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Notices

- The Cathedral's *Youth Fellowship* meets every second and fourth Sunday of the month at 10:30 am. Young people are welcome to attend.
- A Bible quiz will be conducted on Sunday 23rd August 2026 at 10:45 am. Questions will be based on Psalm 119, the Book of Haggai and the Book of Zephaniah. This will be an open Bible quiz for individual participants.
- For close to three months now the Cathedral organ has been silent. The parts which had been malfunctioning were sent for repairs to the manufacturers (*Content organs*) in The Netherlands. We thank God that the parts have been tested and repaired. We will soon be hearing the organ once again.
- Parents are encouraged to send their children regularly to Sunday school.
- We would be very happy to welcome singers in the Cathedral choir. If you are interested please stay back for practice after the service.

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 |

Pray with us

† THE WORLD

As rescue efforts continue in the aftermath of the powerful earthquake in Venezuela, we pray for those who are grieving, those still waiting to hear news of loved ones, and for the first responders and relief teams working around the clock to bring help and hope • We pray for the needs of the world and for all whose lives are marked by conflict, uncertainty, illness, or environmental threat. We pray for peace in the Middle East: grant negotiators wisdom, clarity, and imagination as they seek diplomatic solutions to what to us can seem an impossible situation. Bring security to disrupted lives, and confidence to communities and economies under strain • Look with mercy on people in Europe and the United Kingdom suffering discomfort, illness, and anxiety during the unprecedented heat-wave, and strengthen all who care for the vulnerable • Guide citizens in the United Kingdom as they choose a new Prime Minister, and grant the nation stability, wisdom, and progress in the season ahead.

† OUR COUNTRY

Our hearts grieve with the families who have lost their loved ones in the devastating fire in Lucknow earlier last week. The tragedy has renewed concerns about fire safety in densely occupied commercial buildings, with several deadly blazes in recent months exposing violations of fire safety rules. Pray for compliance and stricter accountability • Pray for the families of the workers who lost their lives and those injured while constructing a warehouse in Calcutta. May there be a renewed sense of accountability in the real estate business • We give thanks to God for the advancement of the Monsoon in large parts of the country. Continue to pray for an easing of the shortage in water supply reserves.

† THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH

"You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church" (*Matthew 16:18*). With the Church Universal, we give thanks for the life and ministry of Apostle Saint Peter (29th June) • In the *Anglican Communion*, for The Anglican Church of South Africa and Archbishop Thabo Makgoba.

† THE CHURCH IN INDIA

The Diocese of Sambalpur and the Rt. Revd. Immanuel Dani • The Diocese of Dornakal and the Rt. Revd. Dr. K. Padma Rao.

† THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY

This week for all churches and institutions dedicated to the Apostle Peter: St. Peter's Church, Palghar and Revd. Sanjay Salvi; St. Peter's Church (Tamil Pastorate), Kalyan and Revd. John Thavakumar; St. Peter's Church (Tamil Pastorate), Mulund and Revd. Cletus Edward; the pupils, teachers, Principal and Board of Governors of St. Peter's School, Mazagaon.

† OUR CATHEDRAL

Pray for all senior citizens and their care providers. Especially those who are house bound • This week for the ministry of the *Women's Fellowship for Christian Service*.

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Contact the Presbyter for pastoral visits and administering Communion to the house-bound.

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