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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

## Stewardship Sunday

*with Dedication of the Pastorate Committee*



## The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

*Choral Eucharist*

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October 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.

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# Order of Service

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

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## The Gathering

### Voluntary

Fugue in D, BWV 580 ... .. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685 - 1750)

'Communion: Let us break bread together' ... .. Charles Callahan (1951 - 2023)

Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier (Blessed Jesus we are here)... .. Johann Sebastian Bach

### Welcome

*All keep silence and prepare for worship*

### Introit

*Sung by the choir*

Let us talents and tongues employ,  
reaching out with a shout of joy:  
bread is broken, the wine is poured,  
Christ is spoken and seen and heard.  
*Jesus lives again; earth can breathe again.  
pass the Word around: loaves abound!*

Words: Fred Kaan (1929 - 2009)

Tune: LINSTAD  
Jamaican folk song

*All stand and face the West Door*

### Call to Worship

*Presbyter*

We have been blessed by the Eternal God,  
who has been faithful to us.

*All*

**As thankful stewards,  
we will remain faithful to God.**

The mystery that has been hidden through the ages...is  
Christ in you, the hope of glory.

**As redeemed stewards,  
we will remain faithful to Christ.**

*Continued. Turn over.*

*Presbyter* God has empowered us with the Holy Spirit  
to be our Comforter and Guide,  
our unfailing source of strength.

*All* **As Spirit-filled stewards,  
we will remain faithful to Christ.**

*All join in singing the hymn*

## The Entrance Hymn

**God, your blessings overflow! What can we begin to say?  
How can we begin to show, All our gratitude this day?  
God, we join to worship you, Giving thanks for all you do.**

**<sup>2</sup> Thank you for the life you give, For each friend and family,  
For the land in which we live, For your love that sets us free.  
Thank you, God, for daily bread, And for feasts of joy you spread.**

**<sup>3</sup> Yet at tables where we share, Sometimes there is also pain.  
There may be an empty chair: When will we feel whole again?  
When our days of grief are long, Thank you that your love is strong.**

**<sup>4</sup> So we join in thanks this day, So your gifts we freely share,  
So we follow Christ the Way, Loving, serving everywhere.  
Spirit, may our lives express, All our daily thankfulness.**

Words: Revd Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (b. 1961)

Tune: DIX, # 51

*Please be seated*

*All say together*

## The Collect for Purity | *page 260*

## The Liturgy of the Word

### A Collect for Stewardship

**O Lord, giver of life and source of freedom, I know that all I have  
received is from your hand. Gracious and loving God, You call us  
to be stewards of Your abundance, the caretakers of all you have  
entrusted to us. Help us to always use Your gifts wisely and teach  
us to share them generously. Amen.**

## The Collect for the day | **page 494**

## The Lesson | **page 495**

*Genesis 18:23 - 32*

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 Croft*

**Psalm**  
*119: 145 - 152*

*Clamavi in toto corde meo*

I CALL with my whole heart : hear me, O Lord, I will keep thy statutes.

<sup>146</sup> Yea, even unto thee do I call : help me, and I shall keep thy testimonies.

<sup>147</sup> Early in the morning do I cry unto thee : for in thy word is my trust.

<sup>148</sup> Mine eyes prevent the night-watches : that I might be occupied in thy words.

<sup>149</sup> Hear my voice, O Lord, according unto thy loving-kindness : quicken me,  
according as thou art wont.

<sup>150</sup> They draw nigh that of malice persecute me : and are far from thy law.

<sup>151</sup> Be thou nigh at hand, O Lord : for all thy commandments are true.

<sup>152</sup> As concerning thy testimonies, I have known long since : that thou hast  
grounded them for ever.

*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

*1 Peter 4: 7 - 11*

A reading from the first letter of Peter

The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

*Continued. Turn over.*

If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

*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 | # 377**

*In humble gratitude, O God*

*Tune: KINGSFOLD, # 247*

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

**The Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart  
and yield a harvest through perseverance.

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**The Gospel of Christ | page 497**

*St. Matthew 9:1 - 8*

*Gospeller* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And with thy spirit.**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**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* **Take my silver and my gold;  
not a mite would I withhold;  
take my intellect, and use  
every power as Thou shalt choose.**

*Words: Frances R. Havergal (1836 - 79)*

*Tune: ST BEES (#244)  
J. B. Dykes (1823 - 76)*

*Remain standing, all reciting the Creed*

**The Nicene Creed | page 265**

*Please be seated*

**Sermon**

The Reverend Thomas Jacob, *Cathedral Presbyterian*

## **Dedication of Members of the Pastorate Committee**

*The Presbyterian says*

We have come together, in the presence of Almighty God, for the dedication of the members of our Pastorate Committee for this year. They are our chosen leaders and servants in the life and mission of this congregation. In the Church of North India, certain laymen and laywomen are chosen to share with the bishops, presbyters and deacons in the spiritual care, nurture and administration of the Church. As members of the Pastorate Committee you are called to share in these responsibilities. Remember that all effective service in the Church must be in the Spirit of him who came not to be served but to serve.

Do you promise to carry out your responsibilities in co-operation with the presbyter and the other members of the Committee?

**Response**      **I do, with God's help.**

Will you at all times set before you the unity and peace of this Pastorate, trying to be an example to the congregation in humility, in sincerity of life and in Christian service?

**Response**      **I will, with God's help.**

Since the Church is called to share in fulfilling God's purpose for the world, will you with the Presbyter and your fellow-members try to care for the needs of your neighbours?

Will you both inspire and lead the people of the Pastorate in witness to Christ and in service to those within the Church and outside it?

**Response**      **I will, with God's help.**

Will you endeavour always to speak and act as responsible members of the Church of North India and of this Diocese?

And by your commitment to the cause of unity, witness and service, will you encourage others also to follow your example?

**Response**      **I will, with God's help.**

May God strengthen you by His Holy Spirit that you may be able to carry out the promises which you have made.

*The members of the Pastorate Committee all say together:*

**Living Lord,  
we thank you for the joy of being called to your service  
in the fellowship of your Church.  
Help us to respond to your call,  
to commit ourselves to you as our Saviour and King,  
to be obedient to your will,  
and to serve you faithfully,  
for the glory of your holy name.  
Amen.**

*The members of the Pastorate Committee face the congregation, who stand.  
The Presbyter and congregation say to the Committee:*

**We welcome you with joy  
as the members of our Pastorate Committee,  
and recognize you during your term of office  
as leaders and servants in the life  
and mission of this Pastorate.**

*The office bearers of the Pastorate Committee for 2026 -27 are:*

Dr. Kamal Jadhav (*Honorary Secretary*), Mr. Nishanth Daniel (*Honorary Treasurer*),  
Mr. Ashok Joshi, Mr. Samuel Joseph, Mr. Melvin Gladstone, Mrs. Supriya Telgote,  
Colonel Dhyan Mayadas, Mrs. Violet Truman, Mrs. Elizabeth George,  
Mrs. Archana Magar (*WFCS Secretary – Ex-officio*), Mrs. Uma Moses (*Sunday School  
Superintendent – Ex-officio*)

# The Liturgy of the Sacrament

## The Peace

*All stand*

*The Celebrant offers a greeting of peace*

*Celebrant*

God is love  
and those who live in love live in God  
and God lives in them.  
The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*All*

*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 | # 415**

**Praise and thanksgiving**

*Tune: BUNESSAN*

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*All say*

**Offertory Prayer | page 270**

*Sung by all*

**The Doxology**

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Amen.**

*Please kneel as able or sit*

**Prayers for Stewardship**

*Intercessor*

Heavenly Father,  
you have called us through Your Son, Jesus Christ,  
to make disciples of all nations.  
We ask for Your guidance.  
Grant us opportunities to share your love,  
courage to speak your truth,  
and faithfulness to nurture your flock.

*Continued ... ..*

*All  
Intercessor*

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Father, you invite each of us  
to share in the life and ministry of your Son, Jesus.  
Send your Holy Spirit to form us as a disciple.  
Teach us how to hear Jesus, to love Jesus, and to share  
your gift of salvation with everyone we meet.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Father in heaven,  
who sent your only Son Jesus Christ  
to save us from our sin,  
show us how to honour you and bring glory to your name,  
by walking in the way of Jesus.  
Give us grace and mercy as we try and fail,  
give us guidance when we are not sure which way to go,  
and give us wisdom to trust you in all things.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Gracious and generous God,  
Creator and Giver of all that is good,  
we thank you for our many blessings.  
We acknowledge that all that we have is from you.  
We offer you thanks and praise for the beauty of the earth,  
our work, our family, our loved ones,  
and all the gifts we have been given.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

We remain ever grateful for your constant love,  
the gift of your Son Jesus,  
and the presence of your Holy Spirit with us.  
Protect and guide us on our journey,  
and guide those who are involved in Diocesan, and parish  
stewardship leadership.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

Generous and loving God,  
we come to you in thanksgiving,  
knowing that all we are and all that we have  
is a gift from you.

In faith and love, help us to do your will.

We are listening.

Speak your words into the depth of our souls,  
that we may hear you clearly.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Intercessor* We offer our gifts of time, talent and possessions to you  
as a true act of faith,  
to reflect our love for you and our neighbours.  
Help us to reach out to others  
as you have reached out to us.

*All* **Abundant God,**  
**you made us in your image and breathed in us a**  
**spirit of generosity that is both gift and response.**  
**Move us, we pray,**  
**to give as we have received—abundantly,**  
**generously, and joyfully that our common ministry**  
**may ever bear witness to your unfailing grace.**  
**In the name of the Three in whom we are One,**  
**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 | **# 246**

*Just as I am*

*Tune: WOODWORTH*

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*

May the Lord bless you and keep you  
as you go from this place to share the gifts  
that you have been given with a world in need. **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 | # 403

**Now let us from this table rise**

*Tune: DUKE STREET, # 220*

*From the West Door the Presbyter says*

## Dismissal

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

## Postlude

The Prince of Denmark's March ... .. Jeremiah Clarke (c. 1674 - 1707)

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 ~

*"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."*

Philippians 4:13

Mrs. Jaya Mayadas Williams (12), Ms. Divya Mayadas (12),  
Col. Dhyan Mayadas (13), Dr. Mrs. Sonal Parmar (15), Ms. Sehr Francis (17)

### Cathedral ministries... ..

*Get involved!*

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

### ***A Prayer for Vision***

Disturb us, Lord,  
when we are too well pleased with ourselves;  
when our dreams have come true because we have dreamed too little;  
when we arrive safely because we have sailed too close to shore.

Disturb us, Lord,  
when with the abundance of the things we possess,  
we have lost our thirst for the water of life.  
Stir us, Lord, to dare more boldly, to venture on wider seas,  
where storms will show your mastery;  
where losing sight of land, we shall find the stars.  
We ask you to push back the horizons of our hopes  
and to push us into the future in strength, courage, hope and love.

Amen.

Open your hearts to the love God instills in them.  
God loves you tenderly.  
What He gives you is not to be kept under lock and key,  
but to be shared.

The more you save the less you will be able to give.  
The less you have, the more you will now have to share.  
Let us ask God, when it comes to ask God for something,  
to help us to be generous.

Amen.

*Notable Christians ... ..*

**Teresa of Avila** (1515 - 1582)

commemorated 15<sup>th</sup> October

Teresa was a prominent Spanish mystic, Carmelite nun, and theologian of contemplative life through mental prayer. She was a reformer of the Carmelite Order. Teresa is revered as the *Doctor of Prayer*. The mysticism in her works exerted a formative influence upon many theologians of the following centuries.

*Let nothing disturb you.*

*Let nothing make you afraid.*

*All things are passing.*

*God alone never changes.*

*Patience gains all things.*

*If you have God you will want for nothing.*

*God alone suffices.*

**Henry Martyn** (1781 - 1812)

commemorated 16<sup>th</sup> October

Henry Martyn was an Anglican priest and missionary to the peoples of India and Persia. Martyn arrived in India in April 1806, where he preached and occupied himself in the study of linguistics. He translated the whole of the New Testament into Urdu, Persian and Judaeo-Persic. He also translated the Psalms into Persian and the *Book of Common Prayer* into Urdu.

An institution was established in his name in Hyderabad, called the *Henry Martyn Institute: An Interfaith Centre for Reconciliation and Research*.

*To function as an expression  
of the Church's ministry of reconciliation*

*and to focus on the relationship  
between Christians and people of other faiths.*

(The Vision and Mission of the Henry Martyn Institute)

## Announcements

- On 18<sup>th</sup> October (next Sunday) the Church commemorates **St. Luke the Evangelist**. St. Luke is regarded as the patron saint of doctors and all in the healing ministry. Dr. Samantha Kumar will be the guest preacher. Dr. Samantha graduated from Christian Medical College (CMC), Vellore in MBBS and MD Paediatrics. She is currently pursuing super speciality in Neurology in Bombay Hospital. Dr. Samantha is married to Dr. Rohit Barnabas an endocrinologist in KEM Hospital. They are parents to two girls, Ceeya and Neha. Dr. Samantha and Dr. Barnabas worship in St. Stephen's Church, Bandra.
- Singers from a Chennai based choir—the 'Chennai Chorale' led by Mr. Augustine Paul will be worshipping with us next Sunday.
- An **evening of sacred music** by the Renaissance School of Music on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2026, 6 p.m. at the Church of St. John the Evangelist (Afghan War Memorial). Entry is free.
- A **Bible quiz** will be conducted next Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2026 from 3:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Christ Church, Poisar. Questions will be based on the Book of Joshua, the Book of Hosea and the Gospel according to Luke. The quiz is being organised by the **Diocesan Youth Fellowship**.
- The **Diocesan Women's Fellowship for Christian Service** is organizing a **singing competition** on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2026 from 2 p.m. onwards at St. Peter's School Mazgaon. WFCS of all churches in the Diocese are invited to participate.
- **The Diocesan Women's Fellowship for Christian Service** is inviting one article per church for their magazine *Dipeesha*. The article may be in the form of poetry, story, testimony, etc., Theme: Christmas/New Year/Thanksgiving. The word limit is 300-500 words.

### **Sacred music concert**

*Music will include Bach's Magnificat, Mozart's Coronation Mass and Handel's Zadok the Priest.*

The Paranjoti Academy Chorus will perform a special tribute concert "*Celebrating a Legacy: In honour of Mrs. Coomi Wadia*" on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2026, 7:00 p.m. at the Jamshed Bhabha Theatre, NCPA. Singers from the Chennai Chorale and Colombo Philharmonic choir will be singing with the Paranjoti choir.

Mrs. Wadia became conductor of the Paranjoti choir after the passing away of its founder Dr. Victor Paranjoti (organist and choirmaster of Wesley church, Colaba.) The Paranjoti choir has sung on several occasions in the Cathedral and other churches in the Diocese. Mrs. Coomi Wadia was conferred the Padma Shri in 2023 by the President of India for her contributions to the arts and choral music.

## Pray with us

† **FOR THE WORLD** We continue to pray for peace between Russia and Ukraine, guide rescuers as they search for survivors among the rubble following the recent Russian missile and drone attacks in the Chernihiv region • Grant wisdom and peace to the students, authorities, and communities in France and help them resolve their concerns without violence. Protect innocent civilians across the region, and bring an end to the violence, retaliation, escalating tensions around Yemen and the Red Sea • Bring justice, wisdom, and mercy to those involved in America's capital punishment cases, and comfort everyone affected by these difficult circumstances • Pray for wisdom, honesty and humility to New Zealand's political leaders and voters as they prepare to choose the nation's future leader.

† **FOR OUR COUNTRY** Pray for all personell in the armed forces and those who guard our borders.

† **FOR THE WORLDWIDE CHURCH** Teresa of Avila is commemorated on 15<sup>th</sup> October • The 19<sup>th</sup> century Evangelist Henry Martyn is commemorated on 16<sup>th</sup> October • In the worldwide *Anglican Communion* for The Anglican Church of Burundi and Archbishop Eraste Bigirimana.

† **FOR THE CHURCH IN INDIA** The CNI Diocese of Eastern Himalaya and Bishop Roshan Thapa • The CSI Diocese of Madras and Bishop Paul Francis Ravichandran.

† **FOR THE DIOCESE OF BOMBAY** This week for the St. Paul's Church (Marathi Pastorate) and the Revd Shimon Samuel.

† **FOR OUR CATHEDRAL** Pray for all senior citizens and their care providers • For the office bearers of the Pastorate Committee.

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