

15 -16 August 2020
Holy Communion

Bishop

The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah

Assistant Bishop

The Rt Revd Low Jee King

Vicar

Revd John Lin

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Pas Loon Fu-Man

Pas Florence Hou

Pas Yeo Yun Jing

Pas Shirleen Yap

Administration

Susan Ling

Doris Lee

Patrick Lee

**Worship Service on
Saturday**

English Service

4.30 pm at Sanctuary

**Worship Services on
Sunday**

English Service

9.00 am at Sanctuary

Cantonese Service

9.00 am at Patmos Hall

Mandarin Service

11.15 am at Sanctuary

Hokkien Service

11.15 am at Patmos Hall

A Warm Welcome to our Church Service.
We look forward to having you worship God
with us again.

Speaker : Bishop Kuan Kim Seng

Sermon Title : **Mary the Doule**

Text : Galatians 4:4-7;
Luke 1:46-55

And Mary said, "Behold, I am the servant of the
Lord; let it be to me according to your word."
Luke 1:38

COLLECT

Tenth Sunday After Trinity

Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ has
taught us that what we do for the least of our
brethren we do also for him; give us the will to be
the servant of others as he was the servant of all,
who gave up his life and died for us, but is alive
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and forever. Amen.

Mission and Purpose: As we see the gracious salvation plan in the missional heart of God, may we be a missional church of Spirit-filled committed disciples of Jesus Christ, always ready to take the gospel to the nations.

Vicar Writes

Dear family in Christ

We are thankful that diocesan bishop Rennis has granted a special dispensation for parishes and congregations in the Archdeaconry of Singapore to practise one or more of the following three forms of administering Holy Communion during the period 2 August to 31 October 2020 to address the extraordinary situation posed by the COVID-19 pandemic.

1. Holy Communion to a congregation that physically gathers and safely distributes the bread and the wine in a manner that satisfy the safety standards specified by the national authorities for churches.
2. Holy Communion by extension from a common table, whereby diocesan authorised persons distribute pre-consecrated elements to dispersed households or small groups at their respective locations using a simple liturgy.
3. Holy Communion through an Online Service with good controls to a congregation that is electronically present and connected.

We praise and thank God that one powerful aspect of the Lord's Supper is the communal experience of breaking bread and praying together. At our parish, we will celebrate Holy Communion on-site physically and online electronically on the first and third weekends at the following service timings:

- Saturday 4.30 pm (English)
- Sunday 9.00 am (English)
- Sunday 11.15 am (Mandarin)

For those present electronically, please view this video guide on preparing the bread and wine (juice) at home.

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mxjUp2Xik7U&feature=youtu.be>)

May all things be done with faith and love and in good order to exalt the Lord and strengthen His church for missions and ministry. May we be nourished and strengthened by the Lord communally.

“And (Jesus) took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.” Luke 22:19-20

Maranatha
Pastor John

Children's Day - Save the Date!

The annual Children's Day celebration will be held online on Zoom this year on **10 October 2020**. There will be exciting games, interactive skits, songs, dance and more! A small gift package will be sent to each participant who have registered. Do save the date! More information on registration will be released soon.

We are also looking for **volunteers as online game masters** for this meaningful event. Please reach Chloe Ong @ 97595626 or Shirleen Yap @ 91010531 for more information.

Marriage Preparation Course

Vicar will be conducting the Marriage Preparation Course in October 2020. Couples who are keen to attend are requested to speak with pastor John, or email admin@patmos.org.sg to register, latest by 6 September.

Understanding the Graeco-Roman World of the New Testament

Vicar will be teaching this course (via ZOOM) on Wednesdays, 16, 23, 30 September, from 8.00 pm to 9.30 pm. Please register with Doris at email admin@patmos.org.sg and indicate your mobile number to receive the zoom details and also your mailing address to receive the teaching notes by post or self-collection.

Course Synopsis: Christianity was not born in a vacuum. It was birthed into the Graeco-Roman world of political stability, cultural diversity and religious paganism. Despite being in an environment where politics, economics, society and culture were all organised around the pagan deities, the church grew. There were favourable factors that were advantageous to the growth and spread of Christianity in the first century. However, the developing Christian church also faced hindrances that were disadvantageous to the acceptance of early Christianity.

Despite the obstacles and struggles, the Early Church persevered and grew tremendously in a pagan environment. By God's grace, some of the hindrances were used to promote the Christian faith. This course will look at the political, economic, cultural, social and religious characteristics of the Graeco-Roman world of the first century. This will enable us to appreciate the background to the Gospels, the Acts of the Apostles, Paul's letters to the newly-planted churches in the various cities and also the other NT Epistles.

Intercession

Deanery of Vietnam

- Vietnam is experiencing a difficult second wave of Covid-19 pandemic. Please pray for God's grace and mercy to protect and keep the Vietnamese people. During such challenging times, please pray for God's people to reach out to loved ones, friends and neighbours with the gospel and the love of God.
- God's grace and strength for the Dean Rev John Lin and the Vietnam clergy Rev Nguyen Hong Chi and Rev Vu Hong Thai in leading and shepherding their churches.
- Raising up of godly lay leadership and implementing an effective discipleship program.
- The ministry of Abba English Centre to have a significant gospel impact in the lives of the students.

DUTY ROSTER	Saturday 15 August	Sunday 16 August	Next Saturday 22 August	Next Sunday 23 August
Worship Officiant	Pas Yeo Yun Jing	Florence Ho	Pas Yeo Yun Jing	Ho Boon Sing
Preacher	Bishop Kuan Kim Seng		Ds Lena Lim	
Psalm Reading	-		Psalm 39:1-13	
Scripture Text	Galatians 4:4-7; Luke 1:46-55		James 4:13-17	
Sermon Title	Mary the <i>Doule</i>		When tomorrow comes	

St John's Chapel will resume physical congregational worship services with effect from 18 July 2020, with a cap of 50 attendees.

You can book a "ticket" online at

<https://www.eventbrite.sg/e/st-johns-chapel-church-services-tickets-112626528980>

Livestreaming (and recording) of church services will continue to be available online. We will livestream the Saturday 4.30 pm Service. Thereafter, the Service recording will be accessible online.

Please access the online Service using this weblink

<http://www.sjcp.org.sg/service-live-streaming/>

It will be good to prepare our hearts, Bible and media, so as to be ready to commune and worship the Lord together in spirit and in truth.

You may return your tithes to the Lord and give freewill offering through the following ways:

(A) By cash or cheque using the envelopes

(B) Internet Bank Transfer

Account Name:
St John's Chapel

DBS Account Number:
008 002 5860

Remarks:

- (1) TitheXXX, Month or
- (2) MissionXXX, Month or
- (3) NeedyXXX, Month or
- (4) BuildingXXX, Month

(where XXX is your Tithe number)

(C) PayNow using UEN

St John's Chapel's UEN:
T08CC4079E

Remarks: (same as above)

Upcoming Events

Suspension of all events till further notice

Church Ministries : Home Cell, Kids-for-Christ, Tweens, Tekna Youth, Young Adults, Choir, Marriage & Family Life, Pastoral Care and Visitation, Men's Fellowship, Sisters' Fellowship

Outreach: SMSS Chaplaincy, The Boys' Brigade & The Girls' Brigade, Befrienders Club

*If you wish to know more about the ministries and outreach,
please email to admin@patmos.org.sg*

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