

### THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF SABAH

# The Church of The Good Shepherd

Weekend Worship Service: 12 July 2020





## Message from Our Senior Priest

Today, I like to inform all members of COGS Sandakan the plan to reopen the Church for weekend services. Upon consultation with the Diocesan Senior Clergymen,

our Diocesan Bishop had finally decided to allow Anglican Churches within the Diocese of Sabah to reemerge for Public Worship with effect from 1st August 2020. Yet, there is an allowance of time for individual Parish or Church or Mission District to prepare and resume at a time when the respective Church is ready to reemerge. Hence, it is not a directive that all must commence on the same date. This principle is similar to the allowance for CG/HG as announced last week. It is purely an allowance for all to plan and prepare ourselves to re-gather.

With the above information, COGS' Clergymen, Pastors with the Lay Readers from the BM, Chinese and English congregations had a meeting to reconsider this matter on Wednesday, 24 June 2020. We looked into the SOPs for Non-Muslim religions released by the Sabah State Government. After taking into consideration some of the practical matters, the meeting unanimously decided to delay reopening of COGS Sandakan until after the end of RMCO, 31st August 2020. The first main reason behind the whole concern is the safety of all who are eligible to come for the weekend services. This is the first and utmost important concern we all should consider in view of the fact that no one can be guaranteed free from the infection of this pandemic Covid -19, as we all know that there is no vaccine yet to treat the virus. The second main reason has to do with the concept of family worshipping God together! The SOPs clearly stated that the elderlys of 70 years of age and above and children of 12 years and below are PROHIBITED from worshipping together. The reason behind that SOP was meant for us to protect the high risked groups from being infected. Yet, that very particular SOP is in a way segregates family members from public worship together! With this being the case, we feel that it is better that all family members worship together via Online Services. Meanwhile, we will continue to monitor the development of the pandemic in Sandakan and review. The Staff of COGS will get the whole compound ready also for the eventual opening of the Church for weekend public worship which we hope the high risked groups will be allowed to come together at a later stage. Let us pray that God will guide us to prepare well for His timing to reemerge with His wisdom! Thank you very much for your understanding and prayers!

#### **COGS Vision**

To Be like Jesus (Rom 8.29) so to fulfill the Great Commission (Mat 28.18-20) by obeying the Great Commandment (Mat 22.37-39) with the empowerment of the Holy Spirit (Acts 1.8) in Sandakan & bevond.

#### **Online Services**





#### Saturday

Chinese: 8.00 pm

#### Sunday

English: 9.00 am BM: 11.00 am

#### **Our Contact**

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#### **Our Team**

#### **ARCHBISHOP**

The Most Revd Datuk Melter Jiki Tais

#### PRIEST IN-CHARGE

Canon James T V Lee

#### **PASTORAL ZONE**

**Revd Timithy Jerry** Revd Chin Kah Jin **Revd Chong Fen Chung Revd Albert Lintikan** Ps Wong Hyen Tze Ps Chin Yock Len

Chi Adults - Canon James Lee Eng Adults - Canon James Lee **BM Adults - Revd Timithy Jerry** 

#### MINISTRIES

Children Zone (Ch/Eng/BM) - Ps Chin Yock Len

Youth Zone (Ch/Eng/BM) - Ps Wong Hyen Tze

# COGS NEWS

#### COGS will continue ONLINE SERVICES until further notice!



#### 271st PCC MEETING via Zoom

Date: 14 July 2020 (Tue) Time: 8:00 pm



#### 尊敬的访客, 感谢您为以下事项给予配合 Pelawat yang dihormati, terima kasih atas kerjasama anda untuk perkara-perkara berikut.

At our church front gate, we have

put up this notice for everyone's attention. Thank you very much for

your co-operation.









rikan Aaro kereta sepaya pengawal dapa sa pinte pagar untuk anda. Terima kasih!

#### 40-Day NECF Fast & Prayer **Booklet**

@ RM3 per booklet, commencing 07/08/20 - 15/09/20. Please place your order and full payments at the Resource Centre on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> serve basis. Closing date of order: 30/07/2020.

#### **BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION**

Please register with the Church Office, or contact our Pastors if you intend to be baptized or confirmed this year.

Ps Yock Len: 019-807-0781 Ps Hven Tze: 013-883-7782





#### **Diocesan Welfare Sunday**

We thank all our members who have donated generously to the above fund.



For all who have yet to download MySejahtera app, please kindly visit this web and find out how you can download.

Please register your personal details **Hand Sanitizer** whenever you enter COGS' compound Station during MCO period by using COGS QR CODE. Kindly use a scanner app in your mobile smartphone to scan the COGS' QR code at the Registration counter.





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### GIVINGS AND OFFERING









Alliance Bank A/c: 101320010031353. Official receipts to be issued upon request via WhatsApp no: 0198905604.



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For the convenience of members who wish to put in your givings into the offering box, it will be placed there on the following days and times:

Day: Monday to Saturday

Time: 9:00 am - 4:30 pm (Lunch break is between 12:00 noon & 1:30 pm) Please indicate your type of givings. Thank you.

# LET US PRAY

#### **Collect for Today (Trinity 5)**

Almighty God, we pray that the course of this world may be so peaceably ordered through your guidance that your church may joyfully serve you in all Godly quietness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



#### THANKSGIVING:

- We thank and praise God that He is our Loving Father, who always show compassion to us, His children.
- Thank our Lord that He will not allow us to be tested beyond our abilities to endure or escape.

#### REPENTANCE:

- Pray to the Lord to reveal to us how we have departed from His righteous way in:
- Our families and / or our ancestors; confess and ask our Lord for forgiveness over our wrong practices.
- Our society and nation—confess and ask for forgiveness of the wicked ways our community and nation have walked in, through the decisions of our leaders, past and present.

#### **PRAY FOR THE CHURCHES:**

 Pray for the Christians that they will desire God more, and take responsibility of their spiritual growth and spiritual lives.

#### PRAY FOR THE NATIONS:

- Pray that the nations are humbled by this pandemic — that they will be awakened, to thirst and hunger for God.
- Pray for the healing and recovery of the economy of the nations and the finances of the people in this nation in the coming months.

#### PRAY FOR THE WORLD:

- Continue to pray that God will intervene over the deadly India-China border dispute.
- Pray that God will grant peace between the many countries over the trade-war negotiations which could not be finalized.
- Pray against resurgence of Covid-19 cases after easing lockdown.
- Covid-19 Virus Pandemic for protection of medical staff, the frontliners, the police and the grieving.

### **Pray For The Unwell**

Mdm Liew Shak Kim, Vun Kon Tai @ Vun Nyuk Vun, Chin Siew Jin, Liew Oi Hyen, Chan Fon Ping, Michael Yio Cho Kui, Tang Hong Piau, Pang Min Chiew, Pun Chun Ming, Chang Kon Fatt, Chin Tshun Leong, Chan Mei Ngo, Tham Nyuk Muy, mily Lau, Chang Suk Heng, Lai Nyuk Min.

	The of the Servant King!
	Isaiah 53.1-12; Mark 14.1-25
Je	sus being of the Kingdom of God ( <i>Mark 1.15</i> ) had revealed His Kingship
	( <i>Mark 8-11</i> ). Jesus talked about His Kingship through
	(see <i>Mark 8.31-32; 9.30-31; 10.33-34; 12.1-12</i> ). It is the way to fulfill
	plan! The final restoration is on the day! This is what
	e all are waiting for! Jesus' mission of restoration historically happened as in
Je	rusalem has! This same note is found in Jesus' prophetic words in <i>Mark</i>
	. The ( <i>Mark 13.2</i> ) actually has a until His
se	cond coming! The are still relevant for us as we wait for
	rist's glorious return. So Jesus exhorted us in our relationship with
	m until He comes again ( <i>Mark 13.13, 26</i> )! <i>Mark 14</i> reveals that in
	e Kingdom's mission despite of the plot of getting rid of Jesus. From <i>Mark</i> 14.1-25, let us
	arn how in fulfilling God's plan through the 2 events:-
1.	The of Jesus' Sacrifice! (Mark 14.1-11)
2	The of Jesus' Sacrifice! (Mark 14.12-25)
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Re	flection & Application:
1	What are some of the differences between Mary ( <i>Mark 14.3</i> ) and Judas ( <i>Mark 14.10</i> )?
1.	What actually motivated Mary to give up her fortune ( <i>Mark 14.3</i> )? Is it easy to give to
	God sacrificially today? If no, why not?
	God Sacrificially today: If 110, willy flot:
2	How did Mary come to the conclusion that Jesus deserves her all in all? Why did Jesus
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	say that wary s action should be part of the dosper (wilk 14.3)!
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პ.	The Holy Communion that Jesus instituted has a very significant truth that we should
	take note. What does "eating of the bread and drinking the wine" actually means?

God's salvation and restoration plan is that everyone must have a personal relationship

with Jesus. Have you done so?