

# THE ANGLICAN DIOCESE OF SABAH

# The Church of The Good Shepherd

Weekend Worship Service: 29 March 2020





# Message from Our Senior Priest

This weekend is the 3<sup>rd</sup> week since the suspension of our Public Worship. I am glad to hear how some of you worship God at home at this point of time. Many use the time to read God's word too. I want to thank

God and every brothers and sisters for your full cooperation. Not forgetting also all who continue to pray throughout the time of suspension. I want to thank all who express your love for God by giving your offerings via E-wallet system and online banking. As well as all who work behind the scene to help provide technical support in getting the Chinese/English worship service recorded and send out. I want to apologize to our BM Congregation as we were not able to prepare for the BM service due to time constraint. But I believe many follow online worship from other churches accordingly.

Our Prime Minister had announced on Wednesday, 25 March 2020 that the Movement Control Order is now extended till 14<sup>th</sup> April 2020. Sadly to say, Malaysia now has a record of 2,161 cases and 26 deaths. For the world's record, the total number recorded *597,267* cases with *27,365* deaths! And the DG of Ministry of Health has reported that the number in Malaysia may soar even higher. With this, I like to appeal all members of COGS to take heed by humbly seeking the Lord with a repentance spirit in times like this. Indeed the Lord has a reason for this plague to sweep across the whole world. As God's people in COGS Sandakan, I believe God wants us to understand His heartbeat and return to Him (*2 Chronicles 7.13-14*). Let us make full use of the MCO in the coming 2 weeks and spend time to be still and know that He is God (*Psalm 46.10*)!

We need to keep looking at God and continue to pray that we may keep calm and trust God. We need to obey God by following the Order by staying at home. This is how we can help to contain the spread of such virus. It is also good to keep ourselves updated with the latest development so that we know how God wants us to pray accordingly. Let us also continue to uphold all the forces in the frontline: the Medical team, Police & Army as well as RELA. Pray for them and all their loved ones.

Finally, the Lord keep reminding us that the battle belongs to Him and all we need to do is to take our position in Him to see His deliverance (read *2 Chronicles 20.1-30*). Stand firm together with Him & in Him!

## **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 & beyond.

# **Worship Services**

### Saturday:

7:30 pm (Hakka 1), Church

#### Sunday:

7:00 am (Hakka 2), Church 9:30 am (English), Church 9:30 am (BM), Barrett Hall 2:30 pm (Mandarin), Church

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# Our Team ARCHBISHOP

The Most Revd Datuk Melter Jiki Bin 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

#### **70NF8**

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

#### MINISTRIFS

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

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

Canon James Lee

## Collect for Ash Wednesday

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing that you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent: create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Collect for Today (LENT 5)

We beseech you, almighty God, to look in mercy on your people: that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



# OFFICE CLOSED

extended to 14 April 2020 as per the government's order of MCO. We apologise for any in- convenience caused. The pre-recorded
"worship" will be
posted every
weekend in
OFFICIAL COGS
FACEBOOK PAGE.







### **CONTRIBUTIONS & GIVINGS**

#### 1. OFFERING & TITHING



# 2. ANGLICAN SIBUGA PROJECT (ASP)

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





# 3. SEKOLAH RENDAH VISI, SANDAKAN

- By online transfer to Alliance Bank A/c: 101320010073123.
- Official receipts to be issued upon request via WhatsApp no: 0109836142.

For the convenience of members who wish to put in your donations into the offering box, it will be placed there on the following days and times: Every Monday & Wednesday from 8:00 am - 12:00 noon.

Please indicate your type of givings. Thank you.





Holy Week services are suspended indefinitely until further notice!



INTAKE OF KG STUDENTS FOR YEAR 2021

For children born in years 2016 & 2017.

Registration time: 8:00 am - 12:00 noon commencing 16/04/20 (Thurs) on a 1<sup>st</sup> come 1<sup>st</sup> serve basis. Please bring along:

- Photocopy of child's birth certificate
- Photocopy ICs of parents





Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Timothy Wong for the gift of a beautiful girl from God, Ms Elianna Wong Kai Xuan 黄凱翧 on 20 March, 2020.



# Intercession:



- Pray for our world COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC.
  - Pray for good health of Doctors, medical staff as frontliners to be able to cope with the increasing numbers infected with COVID-19 Coronavirus daily in many countries around the world.
  - Pray for God's wisdom to be given to all medical researchers to find the most effective medications and vaccine to cure the patients infected.
  - Most countries are facing a shortage of Personal Protective Equipments (PPE) in hospitals. Pray especially for our country Malaysia to be able to get supplies from other resources.
  - Lord God, we pray for your protection upon our country Malaysia. We cannot handle anything like this without you, Lord.
  - O Lord, we beg you, please intervene and save the world.
- Pray for our Diocese ST PETER'S CHURCH, TENOM.
  - Revd James Yap & his staff team.
    - For arrangement of their ministries at this time of "lockdown" period.
- Pray for our Parish COGS BB MINISTRY
  - For Cpt Eddie Wong and his team of officers.
  - For God's protection and guidance at all times.

# • Pray for the sick:

Mdm Chan Kon Ping, Michael Yio Cho Kui, Soh Lai Pok, Tang Hong Piau, Pang Min Chiew, Pun Chun Ming, Chang Kon Fatt, Eng Fook Kit, Chin Tshun Leong, Chan Mei Ngo, Tham Nyuk Mui, Emily Lau, Chang Suk Heng, Lai Nyuk Jin, Tai Nyuk Min.

# **#StayAtHomeSaveLives**



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Acts 13	13-52: Mark 8	1-26	

From <i>Mark 1-7</i> , Mark had proven through His teachings and ministries!			
It summed up the purpose of God's Kingdom and Gospel: plan! It			
restored back people's broken relationship. It is through Jesus' death & resurrection,			
which offers of sins with God forever! Our response to			
God's Kingdom according to God's kind of faith: we need to, to			
and to God's grace completely & continuously! Mark			
reemphasized the significant of acquiring appropriately again in <i>Mark</i>			
<b>8.1-26</b> and how we should respond to God's and :-			
1. God's ! (Mark 8.1-21)			
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2. God's! (Mark 8.22-26)			
Reflection & Application:			
1. How many times have we fail God again and again since the time we repented and follow Jesus? Is our faith in the Lord is the kind of faith God is looking for?			
2. Look at God's special miraculous provisions ( <i>Mark 6.31-44 &amp; 8.1-9</i> ). Do we believe			
today that our God can meet all the challenges such as Covid-19? What can you do to keep exercising God's kind of faith today?			
3. How can we help one another especially members who might be struggling to trust			

God completely and continuously not now but at all times? What is that one thing

which is necessary for all to believe in God's authority & grace?