



## CHRIST CHURCH LIKAS

To Know Christ & to Make Him Known

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent - 4 February 2024

### A Prayer for Today

Almighty and ever living God, whose Son Jesus Christ healed the sick and restored them to wholeness of life: look with compassion on the anguish of the world, and by Your healing power make whole both men and nations; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.



**May you see your children's children!**

- Psalm 128:6

English Worship Service is **live-streamed, 9:30 a.m.:**

- YouTube: [https://www.youtube.com/  
@christchurchlikas/streams](https://www.youtube.com/@christchurchlikas/streams)

Welcome to a gathering of God's people.  
We gather to worship the risen Lord Jesus and to encourage  
one another to obey Him.

## 1. **PROVINCIAL SUNDAY**

Today we join the whole Province of the Anglican Church in South East Asia to give thanks for our common life, and to pray for our common mission. The Province covers nine nations - Brunei, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Cambodia, Laos, Singapore, Nepal and Malaysia. *See attached pamphlet.*

We are also encouraged to contribute financially. Please use: O - online banking; B - Boost; or, E - envelopes (cash or cheques). Indicate 'Province', when appropriate.

## 2. **WELCOME**

We warmly welcome into the family of the Christian church, Everly Chung, who is baptised today at our EN Service. We pray for her parents, Samson & Laura, and her grandparents, Steven & Susan, as they bring her up to love and serve God. The flowers today were donated by the family, as thanksgiving for her baptism.

## 3. **'GOD'S OWN PEOPLE'**

Our sermon series continue:

- 7 Jan - Abraham: the father
- 14 Jan - Isaac: the coward
- 21 Jan - Archbishop's Visit - 'Love God; love our neighbours'
- 28 Jan - Jacob: the scammer
- **4 Feb, today - Joseph: the dreamer**
- 11 Feb - Joseph: the prisoner
- 18 Feb - Joseph: the saviour



Find the time to read the book of Genesis, esp., chapters 12-50. It is one continuous story. May we hear the voice of God.

## 4. **BM LEADERS' RETREAT**

Rev. Samuel Sampe and our BM leadership will spend one night - Fri, 9 Feb - at Kokol Prayer Summit; for team-building, bonding, vision casting and planning. Our Rector will join them on 10 Feb.

## 5. CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

- 11 Feb, next Sun, 7:30 am - CNY Thanksgiving Service.
- 17 Feb, Sat, 9:30 am - the Evergreens CNY gathering, pavilion.

## 6. ASH WEDNESDAY & LENT

- 14 Feb, 7:30 pm - Ash Wednesday Bilingual Service at church; conducted in EN & BM. Imposition of Ashes is ministered.
- Lent is observed from 14 Feb to 23 Mar.



## 7. ACTIVITIES RESUME

Many of our gatherings have resumed. They are all aimed at helping us to 'know Christ and to make Him known'. They include:

- EN children - every Sun, Omega Hall, 9:30 am
- CH children - every Sun, Omega Hall, 2:30 pm
- BM youth - every Fri, Likas & Manggatal, 7:30 pm
- EN youth - every Sat, Omega Hall, 7:00 pm
- EN young adults - every alternate Sun, 12:00 pm

## 8. DIOCESAN HAPPENINGS

- 19-21 Feb - CH & EN youth leaders retreat, Kokol. Those from our church include: Lisa, McJill, Kenny, Ester, Keisha, Adriene, Noah, Dorothy and Eamon.
- 26 Feb - Ordination Service, All Saints' Cathedral.
- 27-29 Feb - Clergy & Pastors' Retreat and Conference, KK.
- 4-7 Mar - CH & EN Children Conference, Christ Church Likas. Expecting 500 children. Register now. Open to all our children, and their friends. Fees involved.

We need lots of volunteers to help run the event. If you are able to help, please contact aunty Fen Fen, Lisa, or the church office.

- 10-12 Apr - BM Prayer Conference, St. Patrick's Church, Tawau. Theme: *Impak Penerobosan*. Speakers: Bishop Melter Tais, and others. Register now.

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## SERMON OUTLINE

Title: Joseph – the dreamer

Text: Genesis 37:1-11

### Introduction:

- God's promise to re-create, through Abraham and his family: Gen 12:1-3
- What family is this? Are they ready to be used by God?

### 1. **Jacob's Family** - Genesis 37:1-11

- i. favouritism
- ii. pride
- iii. hatred

### 2. **God's Family** - Genesis 37-50

- i. God prepares His servant - Joseph
- ii. God prepares His sons - Joseph's brothers
- iii. God points to His Son - Jesus

### Conclusion:

- i. Pray for your family
- ii. Pray for a troubled family

## FOR PRAYER

### Our beloved Province

- pray for Archbishop Titus Chung, Bishop Steven Abbarow, Bishop Donald Jute and Bishop Melter Tais

[ that the church's mission in S.E.A. will continue to grow and prosper ]

### Our beloved Church

- pray for the ARK: the Board, Warden, staff, residents and their families

[ that we may serve our seniors well ]

### Ourselves

- pray for God's grace during the festive season and the school holidays

[ pray for safety in travel and quality family time ]

- pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends. Name them in our prayer.