



CHRIST CHURCH LIKAS

To Know Christ & to Make Him Known

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A Prayer for Today

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all Your faithful people; that each in his vocation and ministry may serve You in holiness and truth to the glory of Your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen



You did it for me. - Matthew 25:40

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

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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. TRINITY SUNDAYS

Starting today is a period called Trinity Sundays, or 'ordinary Sundays'. The general emphasis of our worship is 'the life of the Christian'. We had, from Advent to Pentecost, 'the life of Christ'. This Trinity period lasts for half the year, and will bring us to Advent, in December; where the whole cycle begins again. In this manner, we seek to understand more fully the life of Jesus and how we, as His disciples, ought to follow Him. Enjoy God.

2. THANK-YOU FOR PRAYING

- The 'harvest thanksgiving' last Sunday was very well received. Thanks a million to all those who made it possible and to those who participated. We praise God for the big, and varied, family we belong to.
- All our 40-over youth returned safely after a full week at the youth conference in Tawau. The return journey was a gruelling 12-hour bus ride. A big 'thank-you'; to all our youth leaders, the parents, and everyone else. To God be the glory.
- Meanwhile, Rev. Samuel and family are on leave. Ps. Margaret and Adriene, are in Seria, Brunei, to conduct a children camp and to train the teachers in children ministry.



3. MANGGATAL CHURCH BAZAAR

TOMORROW - 3 June, 8:00 am-4:00 pm.
Funds are needed for a new fence. Visit the many stalls - food, plants, gadgets, deco, etc. Coupons are on sale. Buy for yourself and your friends.

4. CCL 55TH ANNIVERSARY

We turn 55, this year!! On 22 June 1969, our church building was dedicated to



the worship of God. We give thanks. Our celebrations, on Sunday, this 23 June:

- morning Services as usual; followed by refreshments.
- 2:00 pm - Ground-breaking for 'Project Invest' (priest's house & staff quarters). Bishop Kenneth Thien, representing Bishop Melter, will conduct the ceremony.
- 3:00 pm - 'HAHA-DAY' family sports for all. Bishop Kenneth will flag off the event.

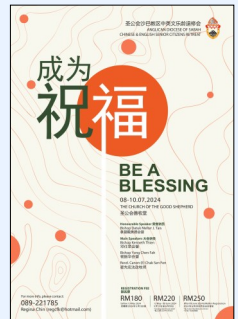
5. **ARK 20TH ANNIVERSARY**

The Anglican Retirement Kampung (ARK) turns 20, this year. What started as a retirement village for our Anglican members has grown to serve seniors from different backgrounds. Occupancy is now full. The celebration, also on 23 June:

- 4:00 pm - Thanksgiving Service. Bishop Kenneth, representing Bishop Melter, will speak.
- 5:00 pm - Thanksgiving Dinner; with residents.

6. **OTHER MINISTRIES**

- next Sat, 8 Jun, 9:30 am - **Evergreens** gathering; Omega Hall. A celebration of the Chinese 'dumpling festival'. All seniors are welcome.
- Thurs, 13 Jun, 10:00 am - visit to **ARK**, to celebrate Father's Day. If you wish to be part of this visit, please inform Ps. Margaret, or register at the Welcome Desk.
- 18-20 Jun - **BM Men's Conference**, Telupid. Details and registration at the Welcome Desk.
- 8-10 July - **CH & EN Seniors Retreat**, Sandakan. Details and registration at the Welcome Desk. Over 30 seniors from our church have registered. We welcome more.
- The **flowers** for today are donated by Uncle Kwong & family.
- **St. Agnes' School** - registration for Primary 1 intake, 2025, is now open. Please register at the school.



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Welfare Sunday

Give to the Poor

"When you give to the poor, it is like lending to the LORD,
and the LORD will pay you back." - Proverbs 19:17

For reflection and discussion:

1. Describe someone whom you know is very rich. What makes you think he/she is rich? Describe someone whom you know is very poor. What makes you think he/she is poor?
2. There are many different types of poverty - physical, spiritual, social, or in other manners. How does God view someone who is poor physically (materially)? Read Leviticus 19:10, Deuteronomy 24:15, Proverbs 19:17.
3. Jesus taught a parable about inviting 'the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind' - Luke 14:13-14. What does this tell us about Jesus' attitude towards these people?
4. God blessed the Early Church. It grew very fast. What must have been one of the factors to this growth? Read Acts 2:45. How may we put this principle into practice today in our church? Give some concrete examples.
5. What are some of the ways the Diocese of Sabah been helping the poor and needy? How has our church been helping those in need? How can we play our part?
6. Read 1 Timothy 6:17-19 as a conclusion. Pray for one another - that God may prosper us, and help us to be generous.

FOR PRAYER

Our beloved Sabah

- that the wealth of our beloved State be fairly shared
[pray for a commitment to the betterment of the people]

Our beloved Diocese

- that we may renew our dedication to the welfare of our people
[pray for our Welfare Committee – both the diocesan and the parish]

Ourselves

- that we may learn to share our resources
[pray for a love for those in need – the sick, poor, and the differently abled]
- pray for the sick in body, mind and spirit; and for our 5 special friends. Name them in our prayer.

MESSAGE FOR 2024 DIOCESAN WELFARE SUNDAY

Shalom, Brothers and Sisters in Christ. I bring you warm greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ from the Diocesan Welfare and Disaster Relief Board (DW&DR), especially during this Diocesan Welfare Sunday Month. I find it a joy and a blessing to be able to serve God and our Anglican Diocese through this meaningful ministry. Thank you for your gracious prayers and heartfelt financial support throughout the Year 2023 that make it possible for our Board to assist and touched many lives in one way or another.

1) The Seguntor Alternative Learning Centre, Sandakan & the Kundasang Community Learning Centre ran by St. Paul's Church, Ranau are dedicated to their educational ministry amongst the undocumented children of foreign workers. Our DW&DR Board will continue to support both centres with annual grants of almost RM100,000.00 inclusively. Let us pray for these students that they will excel and will grow to contribute meaningfully to our society.

2) Sabah Prison Fellowship – our DW&DR Board has been giving annual grants of RM30,000.00 to support their meaningful work and ministry amongst fellow prisoners, past and present. Please remember them in prayers as they rehabilitate into our society.

3) Education – our DW&DR Board has been receiving more and more One-off Student Study Grant applications since last year as we see applicants from different churches throughout our Diocese. This is a very good indication as our Diocesan priests are encouraging their young student parishioners to seek further education and a better future for themselves. Our Board has assisted another ten eligible and deserving students to a total sum of RM20,500.00 during Year 2023. We will endeavor to assist as many students as possible to fulfill their ambition within our annual quota.

4) Financial Assistance – our DW&DR Board also provides various financial assistances to disaster-stricken members of our diocese. We had provided some funds for one family in Tawau last year whose wooden house had collapsed and needed materials for rebuilding. During the flood in the Nabawan area in October 2023, we provided Flood Relief Aids to four families who needed financial assistance. In the month of May 2024, we contributed funds to assist 25 families for their rice replanting work due to the recent drought in the Sook Mission District. Fire Relief Fund was also given to two families who lost their homes in a recent fire in Penampang. All in all, our Board had given out RM14,000.00 to those who needed help in times of need. However, I am sure that our Board can do much more to assist whenever our Diocesan priests bring forth the welfare of needy parishioners to our prompt attention.

5) Community related projects – from time to time, our DW&DR Board will identify worthy project(s) to be implemented within the diocese to alleviate and remedy the personal, social and economic life of all Diocesan members.

Our DW&DR Board anticipates your generous financial contribution and your unwavering prayer support along this year into the next. You may contribute through your local church by using a church or normal envelope and mention also "For Welfare Fund". Alternatively, you may transfer or bank in your offerings through DIOCESE OF SABAH HSBC Account No. 392-013397-001 or RHB Account No.2101 03 0000 9829 and mention "For Welfare Fund fromname of Church". Kindly send your bank in slip to Diocesan Account Department via Whatsapp @ 016-833 3371 or email: lilyliu@gmail.com.

My Board members and I would like to thank you all for your faithful contribution that may touch many more lives in return. Hallelujah...Praise the Lord!!

In Christ we serve

The Chairman of Diocesan Welfare and Disaster Relief Board