

### Collect for Seventh Sunday before Easter

Merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace: that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**NEXT SERVICE.** 26 February 2012. Service 9.00am

<b>Worship Leader:</b> Daphne <b>Celebrant:</b> Rev Lewis Lew <b>Officiant:</b> Pastor Evangeline <b>Lay Readers:</b> Heng Gee Fat, Pastor Jeremy <b>Reader:</b> Bee Kee <b>Server:</b> Jeffrey <b>Audio Personnel:</b> Gabriel/Shawn <b>Visual Personnel:</b> Joel Wong <b>Intercessor:</b> Yong Yong <b>Group Duty:</b> Young Adults Cell <b>Leader/Ushers:</b> Betty, Judah, Wendy, Elizabeth <b>AgapeKids:</b> Keith, Benjamin, Irene, Linzi, Sook Ping, Faith	<b>Text:</b> Gen 4: 1-10 Luke 4:1-13  <b>Topic:</b> The King & the Kingdom: Temptation  <b>Speaker:</b> Rev Lewis Lew
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#### Bishop

The Most Revd Dr John Chew

#### Asst Bishop

The Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah

#### Vicar

Ven. Low Jee King

#### PASTORAL TEAM

##### Priest-in-Charge

Rev Lewis Lew

##### Cell Pastor

Pastor Jeremy Ponniah

##### Youth Pastor

Pastor Evangeline Yeh

##### Parish Assistant

Daphne Grace Tan

##### Church Secretary

Linda Low

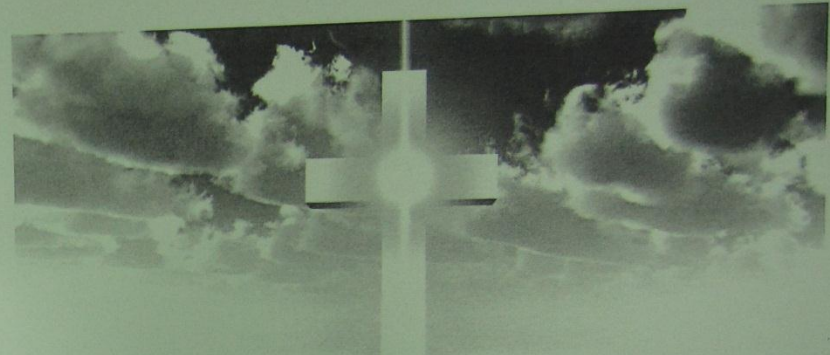
#### OUR VISION

All Saints' Church, English Congregation, is a local church committed to **Discipleship and Disciple-making**. Christ Jesus has called us as a local church to be **Consecrated as a Mighty Army** in the Holy Spirit. We are to be spiritual warriors living out His Victory

1) In our **Inner Life of Worship, Prayer, Word, Fellowship and Wholeness** – over sin, the world and the devil in holiness before Him.

2) In our **Outward Mission of Witnessing, Evangelism, Church-Planting, Missions and Caring** – to live out of darkness into His Marvelous Light.

We look Upward to God and Outward to others to fulfill His call for us.



*"God's Glory, Our Pursuit"*

John 15:8 - This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.



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**Speaker:** Pastor Jeremy Ponniah

**Topic:** Christ the Friend of Sinners

**TODAY'S MINISTERS:** 19 February 2012, Sunday 9am

**Worship Leader**

Pastor Evangeline Yeh

**Officiant**

Sister Bee Kee

**Scripture Reader**

Brother Barry Kan

**Scripture**

Numbers 15:32-36; John 8:2-11

**Intercessor**

Brother Danny Abraham

**Audio Personnel**

Brother Daniel Li/Chiam

**Visual Personnel**

Brother Timothy Song

**Leader/Ushers**

Brother Freddy, Chris, Sister Elaine, Siew Choo

**Group Duty**

Befriender Cell

**Agapekids**

Yee Peng, Ryan, Sarah, Joy, Li Ping, Iris, Ruth Faith

## ALL SAINTS' NEWS

### + Appreciation

We would like thank all our members for making last Sunday's combined service with the Chinese congregation a blessed and memorable time together. We especially thank members of Harvester cell, worship team members and others who came last Saturday to help prepare for the combined service.

### + Baptism & Confirmation Courses

Baptism Course will start on 26 February                      Baptism Service 8 April  
Confirmation Course will commence on 18 March  
Confirmation Service: 20 May  
Please inform Linda if you are attending the courses.

### + Wedding Notice

We want to rejoice with these members who have filed their notice with the Registry of Marriages:

Heng Fu Wen & Audrey Tham Yuen Fun                      1 Mar 2012

If anyone knows of any reason why they may not lawfully marry, do inform the Priest-in-Charge or the Registry of Marriages before the marriage.

### + Updating of Church Directory & Easy Contact

All Cell Leaders are requested to return the updated Directory and Easy Contact to Linda today.

### + AGM on 25 Mar

Please pray for the upcoming AGM on Sunday 25 Mar, especially for the nomination of the new ECC leadership for 2012/2013 which will begin soon.

### + Opportunity To Serve As An Executive Assistant At ASE

The primary role of the Executive Assistant is to ensure the efficient and effective completion of the administrative and secretarial needs of All Saints' Church (English Congregation). This would include secretarial support for the pastoral staff, preparation of the weekly church bulletin, filing and safeguarding all important church documents, preparation of payment vouchers & cheques and the oversight of church equipment & premises.

The person would be responsible and accountable to the Priest-in-Charge. He/she should be familiar with basic computer applications like Word, Excel and Powerpoint. Having some years of working experience would be an advantage. Interested applicants are to submit their resume providing details of their educational and work experience via e-mail to Pastor Lewis (lewis@ase.org.sg).

## OTHER NEWS

### + St Andrew's Cathedral Christian Education

*Youth Evangelism Explosion*

Dates: 7, 10, 14 & 17 Mar (2 Wed: 7:30pm – 9:30pm; 2 Sat: 9am – 6pm  
@ ST Hall)

Instructors: Team from Evangelism Equipping Mission (Singapore)

Evangelism Explosion trains people on how to share their faith in Christ and how to lead people from the stage of unbelief to belief in God. It utilizes a variety of components, including prayer, principle of spiritual multiplication and actual on-the-job training which is a vital component of the course.

*The Last Things*                      Speaker: Bishop John Tan

Dates: 10Mar – 24Mar (3 Sat 10am – 12nn @ Prayer Halls A-B)

The course will look at three "last things":

The Return of Christ, The Final Judgment, The New Heavens and New Earth.

You can call or email the following staff at 63376104 or [sacce@livingstreams.org.sg](mailto:sacce@livingstreams.org.sg):

Rev Peter Chen (Ext 144) or Mr David Ng (Ext 184) on course information. Mr James Tan (Ext 177) or Ms Julie Kwang (Ext 119) or Mrs Alexis Dizon for registration.

### + Job Opportunity

St. Andrew's Autism Centre invite interested and qualified persons to join as Teacher-Therapist, Coach, Human Resource Manager / Assistant Human Resource Manager and Corporate Communications Executive to meet the physical, social, emotional and spiritual needs of our students and clients, in our School and the Day Activity Centre for adults, to provide behavioural support, life skills training, vocation training, family support and public education, as well as provide ancillary and administrative support.

Interested applicants can write-in to The Human Resource Department, St. Andrew's Autism Centre, at [careers@saac.org.sg](mailto:careers@saac.org.sg).

**Topic: Christ the Friend of Sinners**  
**Text: John 8: 2-11**  
**Speaker: Pastor Jeremy Ponniah**

Introduction

- Jesus did not come to call the righteous but sinners (Matt 9: 10-13)
- Jesus is known as a friend of tax collectors and 'sinners' (Matt 11: 19)
- Why the section from John 7:53 – 8:11 is not found in the earliest manuscripts?

How are we to be a friend of sinners?

1. Remove any hypocrisy/prejudice and show mercy (John 8: 2-6)
  - See a sinner as someone precious and in need of God's grace & forgiveness
  - To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God (Micah 6:8 & Matt 23:23)

2. Remove any judgment attitude (John 8: 7-9)

- "If anyone of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her."
- Do not judge and you will not be judged (Luke 6: 37)

3. Respond in love and without condemnation (John 8:10-11)

- "Go now and leave your life of sin."
- Love the sinner but hate the sin

# Arise!

IT IS TIME

DATE: April 14 2012  
TIME: 3.30pm - 6.00pm  
VENUE: Paya Lebar Methodist Church  
[www.singapore.kidsarise.com](http://www.singapore.kidsarise.com)



**Enthroned God in the praises of His children (the 4-14 window)**

*"For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign LORD will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations." ISAIAH 61:11*

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# Arise!

IT IS TIME  
[www.singapore.kidsarise.com](http://www.singapore.kidsarise.com)

**Gather the children of Singapore, in praise, worship and prayer**

• **Into the Father's presence, to lift up the name of Jesus.**

*"From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise, because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger." Psalm 8:2*

• **To take their place as disciples set apart for God**

*"They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the LORD for the display of his splendor." Isaiah 61:3*

**ARISE! 2012 - It is Time**

*The vision is to see children in every time zone of the world unite in praise, worship and prayer. Bring your children to be a part of this historic event.*

**Venue:** Paya Lebar Methodist Church, 5 Boundary Road.

**Date:** Saturday, April 14 (4-14) 2012

**Time:** 3.30pm - 6.00pm

**Entry by Ticket only**

Limited space - book your tickets online today! Visit [www.singapore.kidsarise.com](http://www.singapore.kidsarise.com).

Love gift will be collected to defray cost. Cheques can be made to "ARISE!" and mailed to: **Sansires, Central Post Office Box 126, Singapore 915205**

ARISE! is an initiative under the Evangelical Fellowship of Singapore (EFS) and supported by various churches, para-church organizations and individuals.



ARISE! is partnering the Global 4/14 Day and also calling all to fast and pray for the 4/14 window on April 14, 2012.



# HOPE

STRENGTHENS ME



Daily Devotions For Lent 2012

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## Do not hold back: build up our common life

The Most Reverend Dr John Chew

### Presidential Address 22<sup>nd</sup> Session of Synod 2nd Meeting 11 & 12 Nov 2011

Welcome one and all to Synod. We want to acknowledge the special blessings of our Lord on our diocese as He has just added numbers to the rank of the clergy on 6 Nov. Nine were ordained to the Priesthood and eight to the Diaconate, the largest cohort ever. This year, we have the first two national Nepali priests, Revd Rino Lama and Revd Shyam Nepal, the first national Filipino Priest, Revd Nguyen Hong Chi, and Revd Hock Hanjoo. We were also very blessed to witness the ordination to the Priesthood of Revd Peter Marimuthu, the first Singaporean Post-Chaplain of the Mission to the Southeast, Singapore.

In most of all these, we praise and thank the Lord for the timely arrival of retired Assistant

Bishop Yong Chen Fah of Sabah for taking up the appointment of Warden of St Peter's Hall. We are also able to appoint the Priest Canon Dr Michael Poon and the Revd Dr Pan Chou Wei as sub-Wardens of the Hall to add strength to the ministry. We warmly welcome the Revd Yee Ching Wah, Dean of Anglican Church of Thailand, and family back to Singapore. He will still make trips to Thailand to lead the ministry there.

We also give thanks to the Lord for the faithful ministry and service of the late Revd M. Gordon (1961 - 2011) at My Saviour's Church. He was called home to the Lord on 24 May. Bishop Dennis Forman is currently the Acting Year of My Saviour's Parish with Revd Israel Selvam as Priest. We want to pay tribute to The Venerable Genesis Lau Tak On who was called home to the Lord on 28 July. He was a stalwart in the development of our Chinese language congregations.

At the May 2011 Session of Synod, as we

encouraged and urged each other to close ranks to build up the diocesan family together, striving side by side.

*"Enlarge the place of your tent, and let the curtains of your habitations be stretched out; seek ye out the place of your habitation; lengthen your cords and strengthen your stakes" (Isa 54:2)*

We look note of the unprecedented build up to and outcome of the General Elections and the Presidential Elections. This period is definitely more than a transitional phase. The new aspect of our nation's life has been described as the "new normal". But many more developments and events, locally, regionally and globally, will take place in the second half of the year. These events when taken together would definitely have very serious ramifications on how nations and civilisations, and inevitably regions, will develop and interact. My reading is that what we are seeing is the latter playing out of the tectonic shifts

of global changes and ramifications, unravelled from the "hard" iconic events of 1989: the Tiananmen incident and the collapse of the Berlin Wall.

In times like these, how should we, as part of the pilgrim people of God on earth, look at all that is happening and that which is yet to take place? If the global realities are now so complex and dysfunctional that no single approach can be adopted to understand and change them, let alone to move forward, the danger is paralysis or impulsive or superficial responses or reactions.

### A Road Map for the Journey Ahead

How then should we move forward? Is there a road map for our Diocese, mission destinations and parishes to look to for guidance and to use as framework?

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## Matthew 9: 10-13

- <sup>10</sup> While Jesus was having dinner at Matthew's house, many tax collectors and sinners came and ate with him and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"
- <sup>12</sup> On hearing this, Jesus said, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. <sup>13</sup> But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

## Matthew 11:19

<sup>19</sup> The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Here is a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners.'

## Matthew 23:23

<sup>23</sup> “Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former.

## Jeremiah 17:13

<sup>13</sup> ..... Those who turn away from you will be written in the dust because they have forsaken the LORD, the spring of living water.

How are we to be a friend of sinners ?

3. Rebuke in love and without condemnation

## AGM on Sunday 25 March 2012

- Nomination of the new ECC leadership

