

EKKLESIA TO THE NATIONS



18 August 2019 Confirmation Service

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A Warm Welcome to all our guests

Do send your children to our Children's Ministry. We have a well-supervised and nurturing programme for your children. 'Kids For Christ' (7 to 12 years) and 'Little Lambs' (24 months to 6 years). There is also a Toddlers' Room upstairs.

Please do not feel obliged to participate in the offertory. The offertory is meant for Christians.

After the service, do stay back for a cup of coffee. We would like to get to know you better.

Do join us again next week. We look forward to having you worship God with us again.

Speaker: Bishop Kuan Kim Seng

Sermon Title: Be Perfect, as God is Perfect!

Text : Hebrews 11:29-12:2;

Matthew 5:43-48

You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Matthew 5:48



COLLECT

Ninth Sunday After Trinity

Father of mankind, who gave your only-begotten Son to take upon himself the form of a servant and to be obedient even to death on a cross: give us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus that, sharing his humility, we may come to be with him in his glory; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Mission and Purpose: As we see the gracious salvation plan in the missional heart of God, may we be a missionary church of Spirit-filled committed disciples of Jesus Christ, always ready to take the gospel to the nations.

Vicar writes

Dear family in Christ

Confirmation Service

We extend a very warm welcome to all our invited guests present today as family and friends of those who are confirmed.

(Dear guests, we hope that you will have a meaningful service. Please join us for fellowship lunch after the service.)

We rejoice with the 32 brothers and sisters in Christ who are confirmed today. We give thanks to Abba Father for his bountiful grace and mercy in calling them to Himself as His beloved children and faithful disciples of Jesus Christ. We thank God for those who have shared Jesus with the confirmands and also those who have discipled them in their faith journey.

In the Anglican Church, the rite of Confirmation is significant for three reasons.

- It is for the <u>strengthening of the believer</u> for Christian life and witness and for ministry and service, by the empowering of the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands by the bishop.
- 2. It is an opportunity for those baptized as children to **confess their faith publicly and declare their baptismal vows personally**, as previously undertaken on their behalf by their parents and godparents.
- 3. It is the <u>receiving into full membership</u> in a particular parish of the Diocese of Singapore and a declaration of their discipleship commitment together with the church community at St John's Chapel.

As we witness the Confirmation today, may we be reminded of the baptismal vows that we promised God at our baptism. Let us honour our vows to live a Christ-centred godly life and to trust in God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, let us walk close to Jesus and serve God faithfully in the work of His eternal kingdom, even as we await eagerly for the Return of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Maranatha Pastor John

Intercession

We give thanks to God for his grace and mercy upon the following brothers and sisters who are confirmed by Bishop Kuan Kim Seng. We rejoice and welcome them warmly into the Lord's family.

Let us remember them in prayer in their discipleship journey.

Chinese congregation: Lim Jia Qi; Liew Sung Fung; Teo Gek Hiok; Neo Ah Swee; Molly Teresa Tay Guat Goh; Henry Chew Chye Huat; Seng Oh Eng; Jonathan Lee Wei Ze; Neo Kee Hua, Eric; Chen Mei Mei Lilian; Lim Seok Yee; Ho Beng Geok @ Quek Beng Geok; Toh Lai Bea; Lau Kok Wah

English congregation: Esther Ling Kea Hoong; Jillian Lim; Ng Yi Yi; See Wei Jie Joseph; Tan Guan Seng Stephen; Teoh Kok Heng @ Hasan; Lee Jianliang Warren; Lim Joe Ee; Ng Ji Yin; Chloe Ong Yee Yuan; Tung Lishu, Andrea; Chuang Chin-Chun; Ian Poh Wei Hsien; Carmen Chow; Attan Angeline Lim Gnuk Youn; Ong Chir Chiang; Abraham Shahrom Jati; Rio Tiffany Estralita

The Greatest Children's Carnival – 5 October 2019

Come join us for an awesome day of FUN to celebrate Children's Day from **2.30pm to 7pm.** There will be bouncy castles, giant inflated plinko game and SO MUCH MORE! There will be activities planned for parents too! A yummy dinner for parents, family and children will be served from 6pm to 7pm.

It's free so don't hesitate! Register at the-greatest-carnival.eventbrite.com by 25 September 2019. Limited tickets are available. For ages 4 to 12 only.

PCC Meeting

There will be a PCC meeting on **Tuesday, 20 August 2019, 7.30pm**. PCC members are encouraged to come from 6.45pm onwards for a time of prayer.

Combined Church Prayer Meeting

Date/Time: **Friday, 30 August 2019, 7.45pm to 9.15pm** (Bilingual – English & Mandarin) The gathering will be an intertwine of praise and adoration and a time of interceding for others and ourselves. (Families with young children are also welcome as we too, are catering for their participation).

Christian Education

Dates: Sundays, 8, 15, 22,29 September & 6,13, 20 & 27 October 2019

Time: 11.30am to 1.30pm

Venue: Indoor Sports Hall Classroom Course Instructor: Ps Loon Fu-Man

A study of Genesis 12-25

Theme: The Life of Abraham In The Covenant of God Please register with Ps Fu-Man at fuman@patmos.org.sg

Marriage Preparation Course

There will be a Marriage Preparation Course conducted by the Vicar, facilitated by a team of marriage mentors. This course is compulsory for church couples planning for their wedding at St John's Chapel. It will be held on four **Sundays**, **September 1,8,15 and 22 from 12noon to 3pm.** Please register with Doris Lee at dorislee@patmos.org.sg

Church Retreat 2020 - The church retreat will be held from the **14 to 17 June 2020** (Sunday to Wednesday) in Batam. More details will be announced. Please mark the date on your calendar and we look forward to seeing you there!

Seminar by Dr David Miller: "WHY ISRAEL? - AND WHY DOES IT MATTER?"

The Bible reveals the character of God – who He is and how He works. Central to that revelation is God's relationship with Israel, which is often misunderstood and mischaracterised. This seminar will focus on how to read the Scriptures as one story in the light of God's relationship with Israel, gaining deeper insight into who God is and how He works throughout the ages and in our own lives.

Come and hear guest teacher Dr David Miller on

13 September (Friday, 7.30-9.30 pm) and 14 September (Saturday, 10am-3pm) in St John's Chapel

Dr David Miller holds a doctorate in biblical literature and a licensed Israeli guide since 1986. He is a biblical seminar teacher, former university lecturer and former missionary to Kenya and South Sudan. Since January 2019, he and his wife have been based in Bangkok to develop a leadership training program for the diocese of Singapore, particularly in our mission deaneries.

DUTY ROSTER	SUNDAY 18/8/2019	NEXT SATURDAY 24/8/2019	NEXT SUNDAY 25/8/2019
Worship Officiant	Ds Lena Lim	Ps Loon Fu-Man	Florence Ho
Celebrant	Bishop Kuan Kim Seng	-	-
Holy Communion Assistant	Revd John, Revd Bernard, Ds Lena, Ps Chwee Lian, Ps Lyu Yang & Florence Ho	-	-
Community Praise Team	Combined team	Ethan	
Preacher	Bishop Kuan Kim Seng	Dr Terence Seah	
Scripture Text	Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Matthew 5:43-48	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	
Sermon Title	Be Perfect, as God is Perfect!	Comfort in the midst of sorrow	
Scripture Reader	Timothy Tung	Jaymie Lin-Kirk	Joshua Tung
Ushering Team	Selah & CH95	Claypots	TAAF Club & FH50K
Floral Arrangement	Janet Kua	Helen Liew	
Refreshment	Buffet lunch	-	Mae & Aileen
Treasurer	Ho Boon Sing	Nellie Nam	Helen Sng
Treasury Witness	Esther Ling & Lye Chee	Victor Tay	Eileen & Florence
Staff On Duty	Ps Florence, Susan, Ps Alan & Lydia	Ps Florence & Doris	Ps Yun Jing & Ps Chwee Lian

Upcoming Events

Combined Church Prayer Meeting on 30 August 2019 Seminar by Dr David Miller on 13 & 14 September 2019 Marriage Preparation Course on 1, 8, 15 & 22 September 2019

Worship Service on Saturday

English Service 4.30 pm at Sanctuary

Ministries

Home cell Fellowship 8.00 pm on Fridays **Youth Meeting** 2.00 pm on Saturdays at Patmos Hall

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School Gate E Open for Entry: Saturday: 7.00am to 5.00pm Sunday: 7.45am to 12noon

Worship Services on Sunday

English Service
 Cantonese Service
 Mandarin Service
 Hokkien Service
 9.00 am at Patmos Hall
 11.15 am at Patmos Hall
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