



St. Paul's Church Kandy

Regular Services

Parish Newsletter

November 2024

SUNDAYS

6:45 a.m.

Holy Communion
(English)

7:45 a.m.

Sung Eucharist
(English)

*This service will be bilingual on
the 2nd Sunday of each month*

10:30 a.m.

Holy Communion
(Sinhala)

WEDNESDAYS

9:00 a.m.

Holy Eucharist
(English)

*There will be a service of
Healing & Anointing followed
with Holy Communion on the
1st Wednesday of each month*



KINGDOMTIDE, or the Kingdom Season, is a liturgical season observed in the autumn by some Anglican and Protestant denominations of Christianity. The season of Kingdomtide was initially promoted in America in the late 1930s, particularly in 1937, when the Federal Council of Churches in the United States recommended that the entire post-Pentecost summer period leading up to Advent be named Kingdomtide. In the Church of England, the period between All Saints' Day and the First Sunday of Advent is observed as a time of celebration and reflection on the reign of Christ on earth and heaven. The final four Sundays of the year (following All Saints' Day) are officially named the First, Second, Third, and Fourth Sundays of the Kingdom, with the 'Fourth Sunday of the Kingdom' also called "Christ the King." This season of discipleship [Ordinary Time] culminates in the Kingdom Season. Being a relatively recent addition to the liturgical calendar, it addresses the need to provide shape to commemorations focusing on the realms of earth and heaven with Christ's Kingship over all.

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SRI LANKA**

FROM THE VICAR'S DESK...

Remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me.

Isaiah 46:9

November is known as the month of remembrance. Starting from 1st November, All Saints' Day, nearly two weeks are set aside to remember and celebrate various groups of saints, martyrs, and faithful persons. These include Saints of the Old Testament, Saints of the New Testament, Saints of the 20th Century, Saints of our Parish, and Saints of our Diocese. On the 11th, we observe Remembrance Day as a day of prayer for those who suffer for conscience's sake, celebrated elsewhere in the Commonwealth as a day of remembrance for those who have fallen in war.

Remembering is a vital aspect of life. We live in an age where we have devices to help us remember, yet we often suffer from a disease of forgetfulness. In the Christian tradition, we are called to remember many things. For example, we 'remember' the fall of humanity and the hope for redemption, spanning from the beginning to the end of the Bible. We remember to praise, ask forgiveness, glorify, reflect on, and partake in sacraments that remind us of God's goodness. We are called to read the Bible and pray every day. There are numerous remembrances, from birthdays to memorials and missions, which we are called to hold dear in the daily order of life.

One main reason November is considered a month of remembrances is that, with the end of November and the feast of Christ the King, we begin the liturgical calendar anew with Advent. This calls us to remember the promises of old, leading to the birth of Christ, and to reflect on the prophecies marking the return of the Messiah in glory. It also invites us to follow a calendar of events that are fundamentally essential to our faith.

So, as we remember the saints and the souls now in God's nearer presence, let us also take to heart the many remembrances we are to embrace as we enter this month. May we remain vigilant, resisting lethargy, unawareness, and complacency in our faith, and set an example for others to follow.

In the name of Jesus Christ,

Revd. Rasika Abeysinghe

ROSTER FOR READERS & INTERCESSORS

Nov 2nd – All Souls' Day

THEME	Hope Springs up in Child, Woman and Man	
First Reading	: Lamentations 3:17-26, 31-33	Parishioners
Psalms	: Psalm 23	
Epistle	: Romans 5:5-11	
Gospel	: St. John 5:19-25	

Nov 3rd – All Saints' Sunday (4th Sunday before Advent)

THEME	Communion of Saints	
First Reading	: Isaiah 25:6-9	Clergy
Psalms	: Psalm 24	
Epistle	: Revelation 21:1-6a	
Gospel	: John 11:32-44	

Nov 10th – Remembrance Sunday (3rd Sunday before Advent)

THEME	Preparation for Death: Giving All to Christ	
First Reading	: Jonah 3:1-5, 10	Parishioners
Psalms	: Psalm 62:5-12	
Epistle	: Hebrews 9:24-28	
Gospel	: Mark 1:14-20	

Nov 17th – Confederation Sunday (2nd Sunday before Advent)

THEME	Beware of Straying to Hell: Stir up Faith	
First Reading	: 1 Samuel 2:1-10	Alter Servers
Psalms	: Psalm 16	
Epistle	: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25	
Gospel	: Mark 13:1-8	

Nov 24th – Feast of Christ the King (Sunday before Advent)

THEME	Reign of Christ against Secularism and Consumerism	
First Reading	: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14	Prayer Circle
Psalms	: Psalm 93	&
Epistle	: Revelation 1:4b-8	Simeon and Anna Ministry
Gospel	: John 18:33-37	

EVENTS & GATHERINGS

ALL SOULS' DAY SERVICES

Saturday, 2nd November

8:00 a.m. at Mahaiyawa Chapel

9:00 a.m. at St. Paul's Church

4:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Church

ADVENT COTTAGE MEETINGS

Every Tuesday & Thursday

If you would like to host one, kindly provide your details to the office.

PRAISE, PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY

Every Saturday

3:00 p.m.

CHOIR PRACTICES

Every Saturday

4:00 p.m.

TAKEAWAY TABLE

Sunday, 10th November

9:30 a.m.

We encourage you to share what you have in excess, and take if you are in need.

MOTHER'S UNION SALE

Sunday, 24th November

9:30 a.m.

SUPPORT OUR MISSION & MINISTRY

Bank Details

Bank:	Commercial Bank of Ceylon PLC
Branch:	Kandy
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