TODAY Last Sunday after Trinity

	E1 (8am)	E2 (10am)	E3 (10am)
Celebrant	Rev David Lee	Rev David Lee	-
Preacher	David Chan	David Chan	Calvin Tan
Song Worship Leader	Allison Chee	Ian Poulier	Deborah Simon
Sound	Nikki Chuang William Lian	David Lee	Louisa Wong
Lay Readers / Service Leader / Service Coord. (E3)	*CJK/WY/RL/SO/ PH/DC	*RM/WY/AC/DyK/ DS/DC	Calvin Tan (SL) Natalie Tow (SC)
Intercessor	Rev David Lee	Ian Poulier	-
Scripture Reader	Chan Sam Neo	Mark Cranfield	Kevin Koh
Servers	Leonard Wu Peter Chelliah	Peter Sung Eugene Yong	-
Multi-Media	Vincent Chen Elaine Chua	Khoo See Kiang Yok Gin Yi	Joshua Ng Louisa Ng
Sidesmen / Hosp Team	Hedy & Kenneth V. Janney Lee Gary Choo	Margate HCG Robert Lim & Team	Natalie Tow Kyle Koh Abigail Wee

Ministry Team (10am): All Teams and Lay Readers on duty

Floral Arr. Team: Team B

(duty on Sat 29.10.16)

NEXT SUNDAY 30.10.16 4th Sunday before Advent

	E1 (8am)	E2 (10am)	E3 (10am)
Celebrant	Rev David Lee	Rev David Lee	-
Preacher	Dr Leow	Dr Leow	Calvin Tan
Song Worship Leader	Brigette Lim	James Aruldoss	Kevin Koh
Sound	Steve Shinchi Michelle Cheok	Lawrence Yee	David Mark Lim Zachary Ong
Lay Readers / Service Leader / Service Coord. (E3)	*PH/RL/FKH/ RJ/SO	*JT/WY/AC/DO/ VS/DS	Calvin Tan (SL) Nicole Ong (SC)
Intercessor	Steven Ong	John Teo	-
Scripture Reader	Vivien Cheok	Jennifer Huang	Janesa Wong
Servers	Peter Chelliah Chang Pao Li	Jimmy Ng Wilson Yeo	-
Multi-Media	Elaine Chua Vivien Hing	Edwin Chew Vivien Tam	Caitlyn Tan Hannah Cheong
Sidesmen /	William Goh	FIT HCG	Nicole Ong
Hosp Team	Maureen Lim	Yeo Boon Hong	Caleb Chong
	Dorothy Ho	& Team	Brandon Tan
	Martin Sundaram		

Ministry Team (10am): All Teams and Lay Readers on duty

Breakfast Ministry: Margate HCG (Team 3)

Bishop: Rt Rev Rennis Ponniah
Asst. Bishops: Rt Rev Low Jee King

Rt Rev Kuan Kim Seng

Vicar: Ven Wong Tak Meng Clergy: Rev Huang Hui Jen Rev David Lee



Our Vision: In Christ we serve the COMMUNITY as a beacon of FAITH, HOPE & LOVE.

Our Mission: To be a worshipping community that is grounded in God's Word, empowered by the

Holy Spirit for sanctification, ministry and missions and is growing in Christ to

reach out as a beacon of Faith, Hope & Love.

Worship & Ministry

Services

English

Sunday

E1 8am (Holy Communion) E2 10am (Holy Communion)

E3 10am (Holy Communion on 1st)

Mandarin

<u>Sunday</u>

10.30am (Holy Communion on 1st & 3rd

Hokkien Saturdav

3pm (Holy Communion on 1st & 3rd)

Children's Ministries

Sunday, 8am to 9:15am (0-5yrs & Pri.School) Sunday School

Sunday, 10am to 11.30am

Cradle Club (Toddlers)
Praise Club (Preschool)
Kids' for Christ (Primary school)

Sunday, 1.30pm to 3.30pm Victory Kids (Preschool)

Youth Ministry

Sunday, 11.30am to 12.30pm

Young Adults Ministry(18 - 25yrs)

Friday, 8pm to 10pm

DATE: Sunday, 23 October 2016 Last Sunday after Trinity

THE COLLECT

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and forever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Readings & Sermon Title E1 & E2:

OT/ NT: Psalm 127: 1 - 5 (Pg 968)

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be forever. Amen.

Gospel: Mark 10: 13 - 27 (Pg 1570)

"Building the Family Altar"

E3:

Joshua 3: 1 - 17

"It Is Now - Crossover!"

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A very warm *Welcome!*We invite members and visitors to stay back after the worship service for refreshments and fellowship at the Manna House.

HOME

F.I.S.H (Faithful Intercessors of St Hilda's)
 Tuesdays (except the first Tuesday of
 every month) in the Care Lounge at 9am.

2. THE MEETING PLACE

Tuesday, 25 Oct. at 2pm in Daniel Room. We will be having a sing-along session. All are welcome!

3. +SATURATE+

Come and join the rest of the body of Christ in a time of worship and prayer and prayer-walk in preparation of Neighbourhood Blessing on Sat. 26 Nov. this Tuesday, 1 Nov 2016 at 8pm in Joshua Hall.

4. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION & BIBLE STUDIES

i) Fire Place Bible Study

Tuesdays at 10.30am in the Care Lounge. We are currently studying the book of Mark.

All are welcome!

ii) Wednesday Bible Study

Last session for the year: 26 Oct. at 10am in Daniel Room Topic: "Celebrating Grace" by Mrs Jenny Chak All are welcome!

iii) "How to Help Disciple a New Believer"

Remaining sessions: Sunday, 20th and 27th November 2016 1pm to 3pm in room 210.

5. CONGRATULATIONS!

We rejoice with Colin and Linda Chee on the birth of their first grandchild, Micah Chee He Feng on 19 Oct. 2016.

6. ST HILDA'S CHURCH 82ND ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

We will be celebrating our anniversary on **Sunday**, **13 Nov. 2016**. Bishop Rennis Ponniah will be our Guest of Honour. Please note that there will only be 1 combined bilingual service at 9.30am that day.

7. NEIGHBOURHOOD BLESSING 2016: GIFT OF THE SEASON

We are blessing the community around us with the Gift of the Season on 26 Nov 2016, Saturday! You will be receiving a Gift Package from your HCG leaders during your next meeting. In this package we hope you will be encouraged to sow into the Kingdom of God and together let us expect a fruitful harvest!

All cell groups have been given a card about one of the major roads in our neighbourhood to pray for the households located in that vicinity. So keep 26 Nov. 2016, Saturday 2pm free and sign up as a cell group at the info desk today!

It will be a time of fun, games, refreshments and blessing the community!

8. PROJECT WRITEHEART (WRITE WITH THE RIGHT HEART)

As part of the Values In Action (VIA) Programme in St. Hilda's Primary School, Project Write Heart provided a platform for the school's budding young student-writers to delve into social issues. The student-writers wrote and illustrated two books to raise awareness of cyber wellness and the elderly: "Benji and the Emojis" and "Kimmy and the Awesome Elderly".

Cost of books: 1book for \$6, 2 for \$10
The books are available at the Info Desk.

9. ST HILDA'S SCHOOL ALUMNI LUNCH

The St Hilda's School Alumni welcomes all former students to their annual lunch:
Date: Saturday 12 November 2016

Time: 12.00 noon – 3:00pm

(Registration commences at 11:30 am)

Venue: Manna House Cost: \$30 per person

\$15 children 7 to 2 years Registration and payment can be made at the Registration Table after

service.

RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

St Hilda's Church is organizing a Service of Renewal of Marriage Vows (RMV) on **Sunday, 27 Nov.2016** for couples who have been married for more than five years AND who...

- were not originally married in church and wish to renew their vows before God, OR...
- 2. wish to seal and celebrate a breakthrough in their marriage, OR
- 3. wish to mark a significant milestone of their marriage in 2016.

There will be a stay-in Marriage Renewal Retreat from Friday, 18 to Sunday, 20 Nov. 2016 to prepare the couples to make the service as meaningful as possible.

This will be held at Renaissance Johor Bahru Hotel.

Estimated cost per couple: S\$450

(excludes transport)

The Retreat and the Service will be conducted by our Vicar (on sabbatical) with the help of mentor couples.

Please sign up at the Info.Desk.

Closing date for registration:

TODAY.

11. POSITION AVAILABLE

St Hilda's Church is looking for a **Facilities Assistant** with the following job scope:

- 1. opening and closing of the gates and facilities of the Church
- 2. setting up facilities to be ready for events

in church

- 3. cleaning of church premises
- 4. supervising external contractors when needed
- other duties as assigned by supervisor.
 If you are interested, please send your resume to church@sthildas.org.sg or call Angeline at 63443463 to find out more.

Closing Date: Today, 23 October.

FAMILY

12. DIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING

Date: Sat. 5th November 2015

Time: 9am to 12noon

Theme: "Revival: Praying for the

Restoring of God's Favour"

(based on Ps 85)

Venue: Cathedral New Sanctuary,

St Andrew's Cathedral

Members are encouraged to mark this date and join the rest of the Diocesan Body to seek and beseech God for victory in our Lord's Kingdom advance.

MEMORY VERSE October 2016

"Unless the LORD builds the house,its builders labour in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain." Ps 127:1 (NIV)

PRAYING FOR THE DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE

DEANERY OF INDONESIA

Dean: Rev Dr Timothy Chong Assoc Dean: Rev Yopie Buyung

GEREJA ANGLIKAN INDONESIA (GAI)

Priests: Rev Alan Wood (Ag Vicar, All Saints' Church),

Rev Agustinus Titi, Rev Yopie Buyung

Rev Augustinus Wolkh-Wagunu, Rev Henok Hariyanto, Rev Ferry Tumelap

Rev Jonathan Gunthrope Deacon: Rev Daniel Sihombing

Jakarta Cluster: All Saints' Church, Church of Christ the King, Church of the Redeemer, St John's Church

St James' Church, St Mark's Church, GAI Menteng

Bandung Cluster: St Paul's Church, St Peter's Church, St John's Church **Medan Cluster**: Good News Anglican Church (Sri Gunting, Hamparan Perak),

New Life Anglican Church GAI Ixthus

Riau Islands Cluster: Church of the Good Shepherd, Church of the True Light,

St Matthew's Church, Revival Anglican Church,

Grace Anglican Church

N. Kalimantan Cluster: Church of Christ the Cornerstone, Church of Christ the Rock,

Church of King of Kings, GAI Seimanggaris, GAI Sebakis,

GAI Samarinda

W. Kalimantan Cluster: GAI Pontianak

Others: GAI Ambon, GAI Kupang, GAI Niki-Niki

Schools: St Andrew's School (Batam), St Matthew's School (Batam),

Theodore School (Batam), Sonshine Kindergarten (Tg Pinang)



Yesterday once more at **The Meeting Place**.

Whether you're a little bit country or rock and roll, or a little bit jazz, or never had enough of Elvis or dancing the night away with the Beatles, we invite you to a time of nostalgia **this Tuesday**,

October 25 at 2pm.

Come and singalong your favourite oldies! But goodies are on us! Bring your friends and even your pair of dancing shoes!

SION EVENING

ST ANDREW'S CATHED 11 St Andrew's Road, 178959 🐍

THURSDAY 7.45PM 10TH NOVEMBER 2016 Dinner at 6:45 pm to 7:45 pm.

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DIOCESAN MISSION EVENING

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WHAT IS THE DIOCESAN MISSION EVENING ALL ABOUT?

Diocesan Mission Evening is an annual missions gathering. You will see and hear updates of the missions in each of the deaneries and to receive the Word of God.

这是什么?

这是圣公会新加坡教区每年一次晚间的宣教聚会。 你将看见和听见各自宣教区的 最新消息和领受上帝的话语。

WHO SHOULD COME?

The event is open to members of the Diocese especially

- Synod Representatives
- PCC members
- Pastoral and Ministry Leaders
- Anyone interested

谁应该出席?

这聚会是公开给教区: 年议会代表 教会执事 教牧、传道同工及信徒领袖

对宣教事工有兴趣者

PROGRAMME:

The programme for the evening is as follows:

LIGHT DINNER

6.45pm

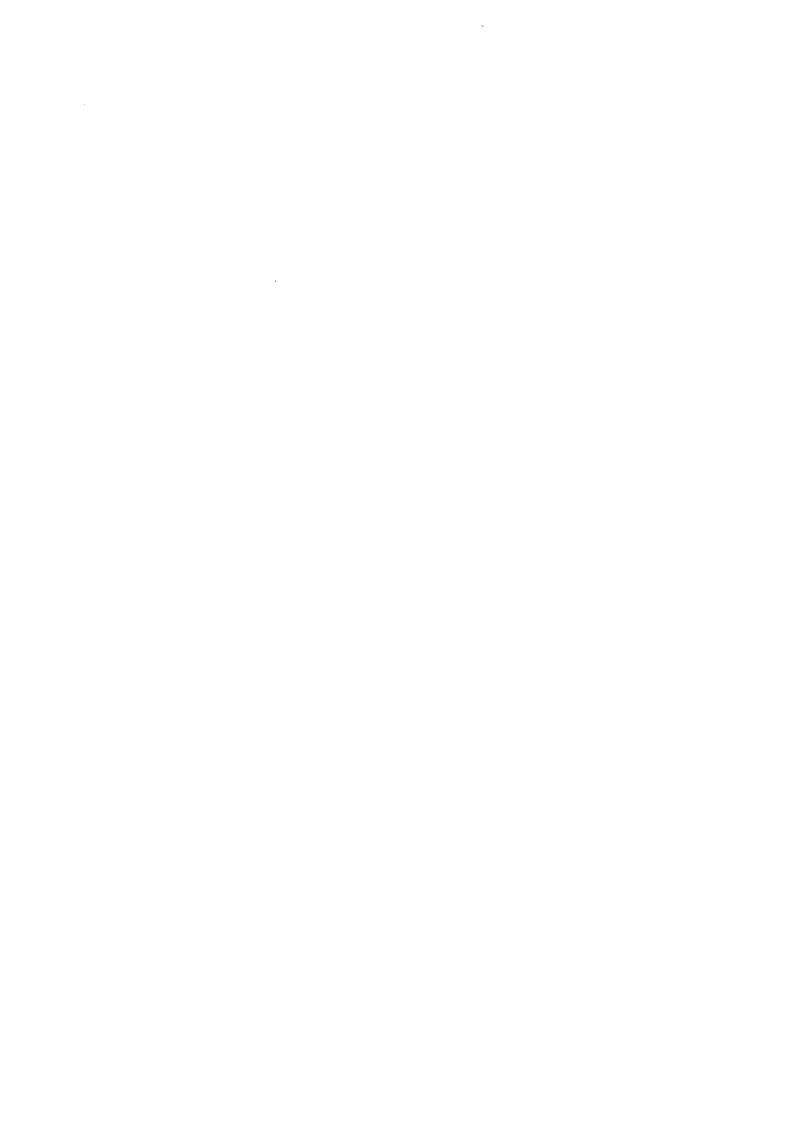
DIOCESAN MISSION EVENING SERVICE

(using Order of Service for Diocesan Missions Sunday) 7.45pm

SERMON:

Facing A Task Unfinished By Bishop Kuan Kim Seng

SHARING BY THE 6 DEANERY DEANS AND PRAYER FOR THE DEANERIES



Christian Response to Remote Online Gambling Platforms

Recently, the Singapore government had granted Singapore Pools and Singapore Turf Club exemption to the Remote Gambling Act. This exemption authorizes the operators to provide online gambling services in Singapore. How has the Christian Church in Singapore responded and how can individual Christians express our concerns over this exemption?

Firstly, let us be clear about our stand as followers of Christ. Gambling promotes greed which is the root of all evil (1 Tim 6:10) and has shown to lead to all kinds of social ills which challenge and tear down social fabrics. Nevertheless, as concerned citizens of our nation, we need to make our stand known reasonably and responsibly through legitimate platforms. We do not advocate approaches which set us on a collision path with any parties that will destroy the unity of our nation.

Secondly, we need to be assured that the Christian Church is sufficiently represented in the public square on an institutional level. The National Council of Churches in Singapore (NCCS) is the recognized representative body of the Christian Church in Singapore. As a recognized and strategic civic partner of the government, NCCS has an open communication channel with government officials. This effective platform promotes understanding and exchanges of perspectives on various social issues through open dialogue, rather than unilateral protest without constructive feedback. On the issue of the remote online gambling, NCCS has leveraged on this platform to hear the clarification of the government and the reason for the exemption. In the same meeting, while acknowledging the reasons behind the government's decision, NCCS has unequivocally stated the Church's disagreement to this judgment call by presenting our observations and concerns to the officials. Both parties have also entered into an agreement to monitor and address the social effects together.

Besides being a dialogue partner with the government in the public square, NCCS is also actively addressing the challenges of online gambling pastorally. You will find details of these initiatives in the attached letter from NCCS to its member churches.

Thirdly, we need to ask ourselves what we can do as individual members of the citizenry of Singapore. I would like to suggest that we need to educate ourselves and our family members regarding the issue. NCCS will be releasing a tract on gambling to guide us in this subject matter. Let's make use of this teaching moment to informed and educate ourselves and our families. I have also come to know of an ongoing call through social media to sign an online petition to stop the legalization of online gambling in Singapore. There are differing views on the effectiveness of this petition. Some feel that it is futile since the decision on the matter has already been made. Others feel a stand should be made nonetheless. I would encourage each to be guided by our conscience through prayer. As the Lord leads us, let each act in faith without passing judgment on those who decided differently from us.

Lastly, I would like to commend the attached NCCS letter for your reading, encouragement and prayer. May we continue to "seek the welfare of the city where [the LORD has] sent you... and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare (Jer 29:7)."

Your Fellow Witness for Christ

'⊮s Dave



19 October 2016

Dear Pastors,

A Letter To Member Churches Regarding Remote Gambling Platforms

On 5 October 2016, the National Council of Churches issued a statement expressing its concern that the government has authorised two operators to provide online gambling services. The Council urged the government to review this decision.

Subsequent to the statement, representatives from the Council had a candid and important face-to-face discussion with the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) and the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF). Both the government and the Council agree that public policies should serve the best interests of society and the common good.

The Council recognises that the government's decision to allow authorised operators to provide online betting services under stringent controls and safeguards is a judgement call. Given the data on the current remote gambling landscape, the government deems this to be the best approach to mitigate driving remote gambling activities underground and exacerbating law and order concerns. The government acknowledges the Council's deep concern about the negative social consequences of legalising two remote gambling platforms, and will regularly monitor the overall impact.

The government explained that by allowing certain operators to provide online gambling services, it was not sending 'confusing and conflicting signals'. This is because the Remote Gambling Act (RGA) of 2014 does contain the provision for 'exempt operators'. The Government had explained in 2014, when the Act was passed, that there will be some exemptions given, because the government did not think a complete ban will work. The RGA, including the provision of exempt operators, was discussed with social service leaders and representatives from religious bodies at the time before it was tabled and passed by Parliament in 2014.

The government maintains that allowing exempt operators to provide online gambling services under stringent controls is the best approach to limit and contain any adverse social consequences. This conclusion is based on the studies on the social impact of gambling that the government has documented and its assessment of possible scenarios with and without the 'valve' of controlled exempt operators.

The Council, however, expresses its reservations about this conclusion for the following reasons:

- Research on this area is still nascent;
- Statistics often do not tell the whole story or present a complete picture because they are confined to tangibles that can be empirically observed and documented;
- The personal and social impacts of gambling, however, are often much deeper and more profound. They have to do with dysfunctionality, pain, anguish and other states of mind that are not easily discerned and mostly cannot be measured.

B1-27 The Adelphi, 1 Coleman Street, Singapore 179803 Tel: 6336 8177 Fax: 6336 8178 Email: admin@nccs.org.sg Website: www.nccs.org.sg The family and social fabric of our nation is currently not strong enough to provide the needed safeguards against problem gambling and social ills brought on by albeit controlled legalising of online gambling.

The Council also pointed out that the long working hours and the hectic pace of life in Singapore have already taken their toll on the family. The legalisation of online gambling may lead to more adverse consequences for family life, including providing poor role models for our youth, and could even have a negative effect on some work environments. Hence, the Council's call for the government to review its decision to implement the 'exempt operators' provision in the RGA with strict controls.

On its part, the government is willing to proactively strengthen the family and social environment to prevent and mitigate the harmful consequences of online gambling. The government proposes to meet NCCS leaders in three to six months' time to take this further.

Addressing the whole issue of remote gambling, the NCCS intends to initiate the following:

- Form a Task Force to explore (a) possible strategies to strengthen the family and our social fabric to mitigate the harmful effects of gambling, especially the temptation of online gambling; (b) how to care for and restore problem gamblers within our own congregations and those beyond our membership; (c) ways of working with the Roman Catholic Church, other faith communities and the government on this area.
- 2. Publish a Tract on Gambling that can be placed in the hands of every church member and can be used as the basis for teaching and discussion on the subject.
- 3. Monitor the situation of online gambling closely with the help of member churches and provide feedback to the government.

The NCCS sees the social challenge of controlling the dangers of gambling as an opportunity for the church and other intermediate organisations in society to play its role in nation building. It appreciates and upholds the space given to the Council and other responsible bodies to voice their views and concerns without being on a collision course with the governing authorities. While NCCS has engaged this public square issue at the institutional level with the authorities, it acknowledges that there are other ways for the citizenry to convey its feedback and concerns to the government.

The Council will always endeavour to play its part as a responsible intermediate organisation to seek the welfare of our city-state and to work together with the government and other religious and grassroots organisations to promote the common good and the durability of a commendable quality of life for our people.

Sincerely in Christ,

Bishop Rennis Ponniah President, NCCS

+ Fun Singapore.

Rev Dr Ngoei Foong Nghian General Secretary, NCCS "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field."

Luke 10:2

EVANGELISM WORKSHOP

30 OCT & 6 NOV 1PM - 3.30PM

ST HILDA'S CHURCH SPEAKER – MR. WALLIS SULTAN

Session 1:

Evangelism Made Simple

We have all asked:

- Can evangelism be made simple?
- How do I approach people?
- What do I say when I approach them? Where do I reach out? When is the best time?
- How do I convince them of the gospel?

This session will cover a new perspective to evangelism, gift you with a toolbox of conversation starters, and practical examples that have been tested and proven to be effective and simple for all to use during gospel sharing.

Session 2:

Evangelism Impartation (Leading to Multiplication)

After being equipped, how can I influence more Christians to join me in reaching out? How can I be more effective to raise up workers for the harvest field? How do I sustain the passion of evangelism?

This session aims at bringing you deeper in the heart of evangelism, by equipping you with multiple resources (videos, stories, sermons, speeches) that will stir you up to live a missional life. These resources are then shared to rally more to rise up in evangelism, leading to successful multiplication.

Please register at the Info Desk by 23 October 2016.



About Wallis Sultan:

Wallis has been empowered with courage and creativity to share God's love in a simple and easy to understand manner ever since he had been baptised in the Holy Spirit. He is being used effectively by God to equip the body of Christ with basic tools of evangelism through simple and practical analogies. He is a senior medical technologist & currently serves in Grace Assembly. He graduated from Tung Ling Bible School (School of Ministry) in 2015.

Wallis' desire is to equip Christians with the basic tools of evangelism through workshops (using simple and practical analogies and stories) and to empower leaders via evangelism small group discipleship, so that they will have the confidence to step out & position themselves in strategic places to reach out on a consistent basis.

He has written a book "Evangelism Made Simple" to share all his tools & analogies, to multiply his work of evangelism and to start a movement of reaching out, leaving a legacy of evangelism for the next generation.