



The AGM takes place immediately following the 9.30am service, please come forward and sign up the attendance list. You are welcome to stay if you are not on the electoral roll, but please sit nearer the back and don't vote!

A big **thank you** for all involved in arranging last night's **St Christopher's Day Dinner** and the community entertainment.



The newly elected BACC will be meeting this week on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm



**This week's homegroups following the Lent Course:**

***Eucharist and Mission* :**

**Monday at 9.30am (Women's Group)** at Apartment 11, 1st Floor. Reef Towers, Gulf Residence, Road 5715 Block 0257, Amwaj  
Contact Sara on 39449017 for more details.

**Wednesday at 7.30pm** at Flat 52 Pearl 2 Residence Road 5718 Amwaj.- Contact Lisa 38001711 for more details.

If you did not get a copy of **Easter News** with details of all the *Holy Week and Easter services* and also introducing our new Dean. Please collect one today.

The **Weekly Envelopes** which encourage regular, prayerful giving to support the ministry and mission of the Cathedral are available in the porch.



Would you like to be involved in a dramatic reading (not acting) of the Passion Story next Sunday, Palm Sunday in the 6.15pm service? Please see Chris Butt.

Your generous contributions total BD 665 last week towards the growth of St . Christopher's Cathedral and Awali Church. All that you give enables regular worship encourages the building of Christian community and provides pastoral care. It also facilitates the wider life of the Anglican Church through our diocese and releases resources for mission here in Bahrain, the wider Middle East and beyond.



## **St. Christopher's Cathedral & Awali Anglican Church**

**Part of the worldwide Anglican Church in the  
Diocese of Cyprus and the Gulf**

### **The Fifth Sunday of Lent 5th– 7th April 2019**

**Collect**

**Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your  
Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the  
cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.  
Amen**

**Post Communion**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us that what we do for the least of  
our brothers and sisters we do also for you:  
give us the will to be the servant of others as you  
were the servant of all, and gave up your life  
and died for us,  
but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

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**Cathedral Office is open:**

Sunday to Thursday  
8.30 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.

*If you receive communion in your home church, you are invited to receive at the Lord's table here. If you are not a communicant member, you are warmly invited to receive a prayer of blessing. May we all meet the living Christ, who welcomes all of us. Please join us for refreshments in the Coffee Room after the service .*

## BIBLE READINGS

### Fri/Sat/Sun

Isaiah 43: 16-21  
John 12:1-8

### Next Weekend

### Fri/Sat/Sun

Isaiah 50:4-9a  
Luke 19:28-40

# REFLECTION



*The fragrance of the perfume strikes a contrast to Jesus' death and burial. Our interpretation of the scene cannot ignore the gloom. Mary does not anoint Jesus as king or Messiah; she anoints a corpse. If the beautiful scent and ugly crucifixion seem incongruent, then we are onto John's strange logic whereby Jesus is lifted up onto a cross so that he might attract all to himself (John 12:32).*

## INTERCESSIONS FOR THE WEEK

- Friday** Pray for our young people and their leaders in Friday Club as they prepare for the Palm Friday service.
- Saturday** Pray for the Awali community, for both the Anglican and Catholic communities using Awali Church.
- Sunday** Help us all in this Passiontide to walk with Jesus in his journey to the cross and to know its transforming grace in our lives.
- Monday** Pray for all who have been confirmed this year for continuing encouragement in their faith journey.
- Tuesday** **Dietrich Bonhoeffer, Pastor, Martyr 1945** Give thanks for the courageous witness of Bonhoeffer in his opposition to Hitler and pray for others who face similar choices.
- Wednesday** Pray for Christ Church Jebel Ali, and St Catherine's in Silicon Oasis and for the appointment of a new Chaplain.
- Thursday** Pray for preparations for our coming Holy Week and Easter and sustaining strength for our clergy and Readers.



### **We remember those commended to us :**

Mercedes, Hanna, Madevelin, Mark, Jack, Kirsty, Stan, Ingrid, Crystal, Heidi, David, Helen, Thomas, Paula.

**RIP: Ned Isham**

**RIP: Andrew Houghton**

### Services for week beginning 5th April 2019

### Hymns

### Fri/Sat/Sun

**627 Praise to the holiest**

**16 All I once held dear**

**571 O love that wilt not let me go**

**36 And can it be**

Friday	9.30 am 6.00pm	Holy Communion Tamil Service
Saturday	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday	10.30am 6.15 pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Monday– Thursday	8.00am	Morning Prayer
Friday	9.30 am 6.00pm	Holy Communion Tamil Service
Saturday <i>Awali</i>	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday	10.30 am 6.15 pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion