



**ALL SAINTS' CATHEDRAL CHURCH,
NAIROBI**

THE ORDER FOR
Morning Prayer

On 17th May 2026

At 11:30 am

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION

TODAY'S TOPIC: Divine Power

Leader: Assistant Provost

Assisted by: Francis Thiirru

Preacher: Lucy Waruingi

Live Stream by ASC: Facebook and YouTube

THEME FOR THE YEAR: God Never Fails (Joshua 21:45)

ORDER OF THE SERVICE

NOTES

- i. *This service flows as provided in the programme without announcements.*
- ii. *Families are encouraged to use this liturgy to follow the live stream service and respond accordingly*
- iii. *The service program is found on the Cathedral Website*
www.allsaintsnairobi.org

[People Stand during the procession]

[People sit for the introit]

1. INTROIT: *God is gone up* (arr. Arthur Hutchings)

(Text from Psalm 47)

God is gone up with a merry noise,
And the Lord with the sound of the trumpet,
Thou art gone up on high,
Thou hast led captivity captive and received gifts for men.
O sing praises unto our God.
O sing praises unto our King.
He hath led captivity captive and received gifts for men
Alleluya, Alleluya.
God is gone up on high.

2. WELCOME REMARKS

3. OPENING HYMN: *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!
His the sceptre, his the throne;
Alleluia! his the triumph,

His the victory alone:
Hark! the songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by his Blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia! he is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how:
Though the cloud from sight received him,
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia! Bread of angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay;
Alleluia! here the sinful
Flee to thee from day to day:
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of Lords we own;

Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh, our great High Priest:
Thou on earth both Priest and Victim
In the Eucharistic feast.

(People remain standing)

4. CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you**

Leader: We have come together, the people of God, drawn by his spirit, longing for his word, to praise the holy name of the Lord, to share his glorious news of grace, to pray for our needs and the pain of the world, to rejoice in his love and be sent in his peace.

Leader: We are heirs of the Father;

People: **joint heirs with the son,**

Leader: Renewed in the Spirit,

People: **together we are one**

5. CONFESSION

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and there is no truth in us. If we confess our sins, in repentance and trust, God is faithful and just, and will forgive us our sins. So let us confess them to our Father

(People Kneel/Sit)

All: Eternal Father, God of our ancestors, before your power all things tremble but through your son, we approach your throne. We have done wrong and neglected to do right; our sins weigh heavily on our hearts: Lord have mercy, count them not against us. Grant us the joy of forgiveness and lighten our hearts with the glory of Christ, who died and rose again for us. Amen.

6. ABSOLUTION

Minister: The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ rejoices at repentance and declares his acceptance. The dead are alive, the lost are found. His goodness and mercy will follow you all the days of our life, and you will live in the house of the Lord for ever. Amen.

7. RESPONSES (sung)

Leader: Blessed are those who live in your house:

People: They will be always singing your praise.

Leader: Praise the Lord.

People: The name of the Lord be praised.

(People Stand)

Leader: Glory to the Father to whom all things began,

10. I will sing unto the Lord as ' long as I ' live : I will praise my God
' while I ' have my ' being.
11. And so shall my ' words ' please him : my ' joy shall ' be in the '
Lord.
12. As for sinners, they shall be consumed ' out of the ' earth : and
the un'godly shall ' come to an ' end.
13. Praise ' thou the ' Lord : O my ' soul ' praise the ' Lord
- a. Glory be to the Father, and ' to the ' Son : and ' to the ' Holy '
Ghost;
 - b. As it was in the beginning, is now and ' ever ' shall be : world
without ' end. ' A'men.

(People Sit)

9. **FIRST READING: Joshua 10:1 – 15** *Linda Macharia*

10. **SECOND READING: Ephesians 4:14 – 21** *Tom Kahigu*

(People Stand)

11. SONG OF THE MESSIAH

(Gen 12:3, Deut 18:15f., 2 Sam 7:12, Isaiah 53:4, Daniel 7:13-22)

1. Jesus the Seed of Abraham blesses the nations:
2. Jesus the Prophet like Moses frees the oppressed:
3. Jesus the Lord of King David leads his people:
4. Jesus the Servant of the Lord suffers and saves:
5. Jesus the Son of Man destroyed and raised.

Glory to the Father, to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

12. THE APOSTLES' CREED

Leader: We stand with Christians throughout the centuries and throughout the world today, to affirm our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed.

All: *I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

13. PRAYERS

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray
(People kneel and sing)

All: Ask and it shall be given unto you,
Seek and you shall find,
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you.
Allelu, alleluia

Leader: As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

THE LORD'S PRAYER – (Sung) (Arr. Fadhili)

Jina lako Baba, litukuzwe (tukuzwe)
Utawale petu milele yote.
Jina lako Baba, litukuzwe (tukuzwe)
Utawale petu milele yote.

**Baba yetu mwema uliye mbinguni,
jina lako, Baba, litukuzwe
Na ufalme wako uje hapa kwetu,
na mapenzi yako yatimilike.
Jina lako Baba, litukuzwe (tukuzwe)**

**'Tupe leo mkate wa kila siku,
'tupe leo mkate wa kila siku.
Na utusamehe makosa yetu,
kama tufanyavyo kwa ndugu zetu.
Jina lako Baba, litukuzwe (tukuzwe)**

**'Situtie, Baba, kishawishini,
bali maovuni utuopoe
Ufalme na nguvu nao utukufu,
vyote vyako, Baba hata milele**

Jina lako Baba, litukuzwe (tukuzwe)

Leader: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

People: **and grant us your salvation.**

Leader: O Lord, guide our President;

People: **and give him your wisdom and justice.**

Leader: May your ministers serve you faithfully;

People: **and your royal people joyfully.**

Leader: In the valley of the shadow of death;

People: **protect us with your rod and staff.**

Leader: Like trees planted by the waterside;

People: **grant us the fruit of your Spirit.**

Leader: Send us out as the salt of the earth;

People: **and as the light of the world.**

Leader: May the earth be filled with your glory;

People: **as the waters cover the sea.**

COLLECT FOR SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

All: **Lord Jesus, you bid your disciples to “go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation....” Grant that we too shall be committed to this commission. Send us Lord wherever you choose, whenever you will, and we shall gladly go in your name and by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Leader: Almighty and everlasting God, Father of the Prince of peace, in returning and rest we are saved, in quietness and trust is our

strength. Grant us the blessing of making peace and the joy of seeking justice. Take from our souls all strain and stress, and let our ordered lives confess, the beauty of your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER FOR GRACE

Leader: Almighty God, you have been our guard through the night, keep us in your care through the day; walking in the light, bearing witness to your way, seeking first your kingdom and seeing you in everyone; guide us in the footsteps of your Son, and lead us on the path to your everlasting Day: through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER FOR THE NATION

Leader: Almighty God, You rule all nations and direct them according to Your will. We pray that You will guide our president and all leaders of our country, So that they may always use the authority, Which You have given them for the peace of the world, the benefit, honour and development of our nation, and the good of Your holy Church; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

Leader: Almighty and eternal God the only source of power. Grant to our bishops, pastors and all the people of our churches Your health giving Spirit of Grace; And, in order that they may truly please you pour on them the continual dew of Your blessing; Grant this for the sake of our advocate and Mediator Jesus Christ. **Amen**

A GENERAL INTERCESSION

Leader: O God, the creator and preserver of mankind, we commend to your care our families, our neighbours, friends and all the people of all nations. Enable us by your Holy Spirit to live in love for You and for one another. Comfort and heal all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or any other trouble. Give them a firm trust in your goodness; help those who minister to them; and bring us all into the joy of your salvation. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM

All: **Almighty God, by your grace we have come together at this time to bring our united prayers to you; and you have promised by your Son Jesus Christ, that when two or three are gathered in his name he will be in the midst of them. Fulfil now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the world to come life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

14. **CHOIR ANTHEM: O clap your hands** (arr Martin Shaw)

(Text from Psalm 47)

O clap your hands together all ye people:

Sing unto God with the voice of melody.

Sing unto God, Sing unto God, sing sing, sing unto God.

Sing unto God with the voice of melody,

Sing, sing, sing unto God with the voice of melody,

With the voice of melody.

For the Lord is high and to be feared:
He is the great King upon all the earth.
For the Lord is high and to be feared:
He is the great King upon all the earth.
He shall choose out an heritage for us:
Even the worship of Jacob whom he loved.
God is gone up with a merry noise:
And the Lord with the sound of the trump.
God is gone up, God is gone up, God is gone up
God is gone up, God is gone up
God is gone up, is gone up with a merry noise:
And the Lord with the sound of the trump.
God is gone up with a merry noise:
And the Lord with the sound of the trump,
And the Lord with the sound of the trump.

For God is the King, the King of all the earth:
Sing ye praises with understanding.
Sing unto God, sing unto God,
Sing sing, sing unto God.

15. SHARING OF PEACE

(People Stand)

16. HYMN: *Thou art gone up on high*

Thou art gone up on high,

To mansions in the skies;
And round thy throne unceasingly
The songs of praise arise:
But we are lingering here,
With sin and care oppressed;
Lord, send thy promised Comforter,
And lead us to thy rest.

Thou art gone up on high;
But thou didst first come down,
Through earth's most bitter misery
To pass unto thy crown;
And girt with griefs and fears
Our onward course must be;
But only let this path of tears
Lead us at last to thee.

Thou art gone up on high;
But thou shalt come again,
With all the bright ones of the sky
Attendant in thy train.
Lord, by thy saving power
So make us live and die,
That we may stand in that dread hour
At thy right hand on high.

17. SERMON: Lucy Waruingi

18. OFFERTORY

[The Minister invites people to offer their gifts by using the details displayed on the screens and on the last page of the service programme]

Paybill no. 303036 for offertory, tithes, Organ Fund

Paybill no. 303035 for Children and Teens Centre (CTC) Project.

Airtel Paybill 303035: Indicate what you are giving for

Cash offering using the bags provided.

19. OFFERTORY HYMN: *Hail the day that sees him rise*

Hail the day that sees him rise, Alleluia!

To his throne above the skies; Alleluia!

Christ, the Lamb for sinners given, Alleluia!

Enters now the highest heaven. Alleluia!

There for him high triumphs waits; Alleluia!

Lift your heads, eternal gates! Alleluia!

He hath conquered death and sin: Alleluia!

Take the King of Glory in! Alleluia!

Lo, the heaven its Lord receives, Alleluia!

Yet he loves the earth he leaves; Alleluia!

Though returning to his throne, Alleluia!

Still he calls mankind his own. Alleluia!

See! he lifts his hands above; Alleluia!

See! he shews the prints of love; Alleluia!

Hark, his gracious lips bestow, Alleluia!
Blessings on his Church below. Alleluia!

Still for us he intercedes, Alleluia!
His prevailing Death he pleads; Alleluia!
Near himself prepares our place, Alleluia!
He the first-fruits of our race. Alleluia!

Lord, though parted from our sight, Alleluia!
Far above the starry height, Alleluia!
Grant our hearts may thither rise, Alleluia!
Seeking thee above the skies. Alleluia!

Leader: All things come from you O Lord.

People: **And of your own have we given.**

The Minister blesses the offertory/ tithes and gifts received.

20. WELCOMING OF VISITORS

21. THE BLESSING

Minister: Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all **generations, for ever and ever. And the blessing of God Almighty**, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

22. RECESSIONAL HYMN: Rejoice! The Lord is King

Rejoice! the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore,
Mortals, give thanks and sing,
And triumph evermore:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;

Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.
Jesus, the Saviour, reigns,
The God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains,
He took his seat above:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail;
He rules o'er earth and heaven;
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit,
And bow to his command,
And fall beneath his feet:
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.

NOTICES

a. We publish the Banns of Marriage between:

1. Ibrahim Anyinyo Oduor and Ruth Nyambura Mgendi both of All Saints' Cathedral Church, Nairobi.
2. Peter Gadiel Mchomvu of Lavington United Church and Ms. Joice Amimo Chaka of All Saint's Cathedral Church, Nairobi.

This is the second time of announcing

If anyone knows any just cause or impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony; you are to declare it to the Provost.

b. PRAYER MINISTRY

- i. **Prayer & Healing Service** on Wednesday at 5:30p.m in the Main Sanctuary.
- ii. **Virtual Prayers:** Please join us for the morning virtual prayers on **Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays** from 5:00am to 5:30am.
- iii. **Prayer Breakfast** will be held on 23rd May 2026 at 7:00am in the Main Sanctuary. Kindly register through the link provided on the Cathedral Website.

c. MOM CONFERENCE 2026:

The Marriage Outreach Ministry (MOM) is pleased to invite all couples to the Annual Couples' Conference 2026 from 17th to 20th October 2026 at Jacaranda Indian Ocean Beach Resort, Diani. The theme is: *Forever & Always*. The cost for full accommodation and conference will be **Ksh 75,200** per couple and day Conference package (own accommodation) will

be **Ksh 27,200** per couple. All couples are encouraged to visit the Cathedral website or the Information Tent for more details and registration.

d. SENIOR CITIZENS:

There will be a Health Talk for Senior Citizens on 23rd May 2026, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Topic: *Empowering for Better Living*. All Senior Citizens are invited.

e. THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION BY EXTENSION (T.E.E)

Physical and virtual classes will resume today. All groups are requested to prepare. Slots are available for new students. For more information kindly visit the Information Tent.

f. PREMARITAL CLASSES

Will begin on 22nd May to 1st August, every Friday at 5:30pm at the Cathedral. Interested persons are requested to register the Information Tent.

g. CELL GROUPS:

We warmly invite all congregants who are not yet part of any Cell Group, and who reside in the following areas, West: Along Waiyaki Way through Gitaru and Wangige, extending to Karura Ka Nyungu and Ndenderu. Northeast: Along Kiambu Road up to Kiambu Town. East: Along Thika Road covering areas from Roysambu to Kahawa West, Ruiru, and extending up to Thika Town. Sign up for a placement in the Cell group fellowship. Leaders from Zone B will be available at the Information Tent after the service to assist with registration and placement.

h. MOTHER & DAUGHTER HANGOUT

Will take place on 30th May 2026. This is a mentorship and networking opportunity to wholistically grow and glow both young and older ladies. Ladies 19 years and above are invited to attend. The cost is Ksh. 500 payable through Paybill: 303036, Account: Ladies Hangout. Kindly register via the link provided on the Cathedral Website by 25th May 2026.

i. THE CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Wishes to inform the congregation that we have introduced a **Special Needs Service** for teenagers every Sunday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the kindergarten. Kindly share this information with any parent or guardian who may benefit from this service. For further information, please contact Celestine at the CTC Registration Desk or Paul Wambi at the Kindergarten.

j. SINGLE MOTHERS' BREAKFAST

Will take place on 7th June 2026. Topic: "My identity in Christ during difficult situations." All single mothers are invited to register at the Information Tent or use the link on the Cathedral website.

k. NATIONAL BUDGET DIALOGUE

The Cathedral will host a National Budget Dialogue on Sunday, 24th May 2026, from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The forum will be conducted both physical attendance and virtually. The forum will bring together congregation members, representatives from other religious organizations, civil society organizations, and members of the general public. The purpose will be to reflect on the implementation of the FY 2025/2026 National Government

Budget, as well as to examine the draft FY 2026/2027 Budget and the Finance Bill 2026.

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A/C Name: All Saints' Cathedral Church

ABSA Bank, Queensway Branch A/C No. 0941048099

2. For CTC payments:

Mpesa Paybill No. 303035

Account: Your phone number

Bank A/C Name: All Saints Cathedral CTC

ABSA Bank, Queensway Branch A/C No. 2034405894