



Date: 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022 (rev1)

Bishop's Circular 05/2022

Dear All,

A Blessed Trinity Season to you all!

### 1.0 Bishop Steven's health condition

- 1.1 Most of you may know by now that I have been diagnosed with a type of blood cancer called multiple myeloma. My treatment commenced on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at Hospital Ampang. I have to avoid crowds and take special precautions to avoid infection while undergoing chemotherapy in preparation for my stem cell transplant, which is expected to take place around October or November this year. The second cycle of chemotherapy begins on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2022. The whole journey will take about six months.
- 1.2 Thank you all for your prayers, your calls, your text and voice messages; they have upheld me through this difficult and anxious time. Please continue to pray that through this valley and at every moment of this journey, I may experience God's presence more intimately, and that my witness throughout each day pleases the Lord.
- 1.3 Confirmation Services: Until the end of this year, I will not be able to preside at any church services. These include confirmation services, dedication of church premises and the ordination and commissioning service. I reached out to my brother bishops, including those who have retired, and they have very graciously agreed to conduct the services in my place. The most recently updated schedule of confirmation and dedication services that are being conducted by my brother bishops, are shown in **Table 1**.
- 1.4 Zoom Meetings: Other than having to avoid crowds and keep my surroundings sanitised, I feel healthy and well enough to attend meetings via zoom or other teleconferencing platforms. Please liaise with my PA, Maria Thomas if you need to arrange a zoom meeting with me. I have also instructed her to schedule zoom meetings with as many PCCs and MDCs as possible before the Clergy & Deaconess Retreat 2022 which begins on 24<sup>th</sup> August. Our experience under MCO during the Covid19 pandemic has prepared me to continue to plan and work through this time of self-isolation. I thank God for the available technology and infrastructure already in place for such a time as this.



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TABLE 1: CONFIRMATION SERVICES (July to December 2022)

14-Jul-22

No	Day	Date	Time	Church		Vicar/Priest in Charge	Bishop to Preside
1	Sun	10-Jul-22	10:30 AM	Holy Cross Church, Sitiawan	LNA	Rev. Steven Raj	Bishop Stephen Soe
2	Sun	17-Jul-22	10:00 AM	St. Faith's Church, Seri Kembangan (Confirmation & Dedication)	MCA	Rev. Christopher Dalie	Bishop Jason
3	Sun	7-Aug-22	4:00 PM	Anglican Logos Community Church, USJ 1 (Dedication & Confirmation)	MCA	Rev. Jack Owai	Bishop Jason
4	Sun	14-Aug-22	9:00 AM	Emmanuel Church, Cheras	UCA	Dss Jacqueline James	Bishop Charles Samuel
5	Sun	21-Aug-22	9:30 AM	Bethel Church, Puchong	MCA	Rev Eric Chan	Bishop Jason
6	Sun	4-Sep-22	10:00 AM	St. Andrew's Church, Bidor	LNA	Rev. Mike Chan	Bishop Stephen Soe (TBC)
7	Sun	18-Sep-22	9:00 AM	Christ Church, Jinjang	UCA	Rev. Raymond Lai	Bishop Ng Moon Hing
8	Sun	18-Sep-22	10:00 AM	Good Shepherd Church, JB	SA	Rev. Ng Peng Yoon	Bishop Jason
9	Sun	2-Oct-22	10:30 AM	St. Mark's Church / JCC / PDAC (combined service at St Mark's Church Seremban)	LCA	Ven. Charles Fraser/ Rev David Low	Bishop Jason
10	Sun	2-Oct-22	8:00 AM	St Thomas' Church, Banting	MCA	Rev. Eisu Das	Bishop Charles Samuel
11	Sun	30-Oct-22	9:00 AM	St. Luke's Church Teluk Intan	LNA	Rev Peter Ang Joo Tat	Bishop Stephen Soe
12	Sun	30-Oct-22	7:30 PM	Our Saviour's Church, Pusat Anglikan Langkap	LNA	Rev Peter Ang Joo Tat	Bishop Stephen Soe
13	Sun	30-Oct-22	10:00 AM	All Saints' Church, Cheras	UCA	Rev. Matthew Chay	Bishop Ng Moon Hing
14	Sun	30-Oct-22	5:00 PM	Holy Trinity Church, Bukit Bintang	UCA	Rev Miles Toulmin	Bishop Ng Moon Hing
15	Sun	6-Nov-22	5:00 PM	St. James' Church, Sentul	UCA	Rev. Jesvinder	Bishop Jason
16	Sun	13-Nov-22	10:00 AM	The ARCH, Shah Alam	MCA	Ven. Stephen Chan	Bishop Jason
17	Sun	20-Nov-22	9:00 AM	St. Andrew's Church, Ulu Tiram	SA	Rev. Issac Pandianadan	Bishop Jason
18	Sat	26-Nov-22	10:00 AM	St. Joseph's Church Kemaman (Dedication)	EA	Ven. Jacob George	Bishop Ng Moon Hing
19	Sun	27-Nov-22	9:00 AM	Church of the Epiphany, Kuantan	EA	Rev. Simon Soh	Bishop Ng Moon Hing
20	Sun	27-Nov-22	9:00 AM	St. Stephen's Church, Yong Peng	SA	Rev. Alex Kong	Bishop Stephen Soe
21	Sun	27-Nov-22	10:00 AM	Sunway Damansara Anglican Centre	MCA	Rev. Daniel Yong	Bishop Jason
22	Sun	4-Dec-22	10:30 AM	Damai Perdana Anglican Church, Cheras	UCA	Rev. Teng Meng Huat	Bishop Jason
23	Sun	11-Dec-22	8:00 AM	St. Barnabas' Church, Klang	MCA	Ven. Stephen Chan	Bishop Charles Samuel



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## 2.0 Other Matters

- 2.1 I will update you on other matters concerning the Diocese in my next circular. These include the Clergy & Deaconess Retreat 2022, the Diocesan Assembly 2022, etc.

## 3.0 Google Feedback Form

- 3.1 If you have any comments or feedback, please fill up the Google Feedback form using the link below:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeo6lxtZ-u3d\\_dr00yKMk4XT7D-rXCOvjtSa0al-xLvOaGKjQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeo6lxtZ-u3d_dr00yKMk4XT7D-rXCOvjtSa0al-xLvOaGKjQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

Veni Sancte Spiritus,



The Rt. Rev. Dr. D. Steven Abbarow  
Bishop of West Malaysia



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