

St. Patrick's Church, Tawau

Since 1917

To build a strong Cell Church
that is Christ-centered,
committed to transforming lives,
equipping the saved,
evangelizing the lost,
and fulfilling God's mission.

18 January 2026

YEAR OF
AWAKENING
苏醒 KEBANGUNAN

Diocesan Bishop

The Rt. Rev. Datuk Melter Jiki Tais

Suffragan Bishops

- **Area Diocese of Sabah East**
 - The Rt. Rev. Dt. Melter Jiki Tais
- **Area Diocese of Sabah West**
 - The Rt. Rev. Kenneth Thien
- **Area Diocese of Sabah South**
 - The Rt. Rev. John Yeo

Rector

The Rt. Rev. John Yeo

Assistant Rector

Rev. Ho Kee Chung

Priest / Pastor

Rev. Alexander Nenotek
Rev. Robert Chin Vun Chong (NS)
Rev. Chung Thau Yong (NS)
Rev. Dr. Moses Afful (NS)
Ps. Teh Chong Lay (NS)

Eng Zone: Rev. Nelson Tai

- Adult: Rev. Richard Tai
- Young Adult: Rev. Richard Tai
- Youth: Rev. Nelson Tai
- Children: Doris Chin

Chi Zone: Rev. Ho Kee Chung

- Adult: Rev. Ho Kee Chung
- Young Adult: Alan Chung
- Youth: Yvonne Lee
- Children: Chan Mei Yong
- Senior Citizen: Kok Feh Ken

BM Zone

- Priest Advisor: Rev. Samamadin
- St. Patrick's Church: Rev. Anzen
- Rev. Fredoline Babiah
- Apas Mile 5: Rev. Majelus Majar
- Adult: Rev. Anzen Daud
- Young Adult: Danny Daniel
- Youth: Sendi Yunus
- Children: Meros Majar

Support Ministries

- Love & Care: Alex Wong
- Counseling: Ps. Lim Bun Hui
- Prayer: Chu Sui Fun
- Sound: Jackson Samuel
- Worship: Esther Hoo
- Resource Centre: Jeanie Hiew

Administrative Office

- Rector's PA: Annie Chiew
- Administration: Margaret Khong
- Maintenance: Rommel Lumantas
- Transport: Rommel Lumantas
- Cleanliness: Margaret Khong

Mission Churches

- **Tarakan**
 - Rev. Jakobus Chong
- **Nunukan**
 - Rev. Martin Ataring
- **Seimenggaris, Sebakis**
 - Rev. Ferdenan Atonis

Rector writes...



Ordination

In the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off. (Acts 13:1-3)

The Early Church gave us a precedent of "setting apart" God's people for *the work to which God has called them to do*. We see this in Acts 13 where the leadership of the church responded to the Holy Spirit's command to set apart Barnabas and Saul. In obedience they prayed, placed their hands and sent them out. The setting apart, prayer, laying of hands and commissioning are what we know today as *Ordination*.

The Anglican Church maintains the traditional threefold ministry (orders) of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, passed down from the apostles. Therefore, Ordination is a divine calling and sacred trust to whom the Lord has set apart for His work of grace.

We praise God that our Bishop Datuk Melter Jiki Tais will be ordaining 11 brothers into the Diaconate and Priesthood on 26 January 2026 (Monday) at St. Patrick's Church (House of Prayer) Tawau. The service will begin at 7:30pm.

I strongly encourage all members not to miss this Ordination service for the following reasons:

- You attend a meaningful, solemn liturgical service which is different from usual Sunday services
- You will see the full diocesan workforce i.e. The Diocesan Bishop, Suffragan Bishops, Archdeacons, Dean, Canons, Clergy, Pastors and Evangelists in the service
- The last ordination service held in St. Patrick's Church was 14 years ago
- You will not only witness but participate in prayer and encouraging our ordinands as they respond to God's call in their lives

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Ephesians 4:11 says "It was He (Christ) who **gave** some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up.

Ordination is a testimony of God's gifts to His Church. So let us come together, worship and receive "God's gifts" to His Church.

HOME HOLY COMMUNION

**21 January (Wednesday)
8:00am, St. Patrick's Church**

If you happen to know of some home-bound members (bedridden or mobility restricted) who wish to receive Home Holy Communion, please contact Chu Sui Fun at 019-853 9987.

ENGLISH YOUTH CONFIRMATION 2026 APPLICATION

Kindly contact Rev. Nelson Tai for more information.

Class time:

Starting March (Sundays)
7:30pm, Joy Room

Closing date for application:

01 February 2026

CONDOLENCES

Our heartfelt condolences go to Mr. William Yen Ma Chok and family on the demise of his late wife, Judy Lu Ming King on 13 January 2026.

PARISH

MISSION SEMINAR: WHAT GOD IS DOING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA

**21 January (Wednesday)
7:30pm, House of Prayer
Speaker: Dean Timothy Chong**

Join Dean Timothy Chong for an evening of real, on-the-ground stories from across the Province of Southeast Asia, including Indonesia, Cambodia, and beyond, as he shares how God is at work through the Anglican Church.

**All are encourage to join this seminar
as we grow together in God's heart
for mission.**

SPIRITUAL MOTIVATION NIGHT (BIL)

**27 January (Tuesday)
7:30pm, House of Prayer
Speaker: Bishop Kenneth Thien**

Open to all!

2026 Marriage

Please book your wedding date with the Church Office six months ahead to avoid disappointment. Prior to the booking, kindly discuss with your Zone Pastor and arrange for premarital counseling lessons. Kindly note that there will be no wedding services in Lent and Advent Seasons.

LENT SEASON

18 February - 04 April 2026

ADVENT SEASON

29 November - 24 December 2026

NEWS



Ordination of Deacons & Priests

26 January (Monday)
7:30pm, House of Prayer

All members are encouraged
to attend as we witness and affirm
God's calling.

CLERGY, PASTORS & EVANGELISTS RETREAT & CONFERENCE

27-29 January (Tue - Thu)
St. Patrick's Church

Kindly remember them in your prayer.

TITHES & OFFERINGS

Online Banking Transfer:
Public Bank: 3091827035

Cheque payable to:
St. Patrick's Church, Tawau



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Persepuluhan



Freewill Offering 自由奉献
Persembahan

Please send a copy of bank-in /
transfer slip to: 011-5995 4101

SIQUIS

By the grace of God, we announce that
the following brothers, in faithful
response to God's call, have offered
themselves for ordination to the
Diaconate/Priesthood by the
Bishop of Sabah.

A. To be ordained as Deacon

i) Stipendiary

1. Pastor Andriano Bronio of Christ Church Likas
2. Pastor Marjan Anggaron of St. John's Mission, Penangah
3. Pastor Enoch Tay Nyuk Shing of Faith Christian Centre, Petaling Jaya
4. Pastor Lafir David of Faith Christian Centre, Petaling Jaya
5. Pastor Roy Nol Simon of Church of Christ the Cornerstone, Tarakan, Indonesia

ii) Non-Stipendiary

1. Mr Jimmy See Teng Keng of Church of Our Holy Saviour, Labuan
2. Mr Wong Yoon Leong of Church of Our Holy Saviour, Labuan
3. Mr Patrus Miting of Indah Anglican Church, Sandakan

B. To be ordained to the Priesthood

i) Stipendiary

1. Revd Peter Yohanis of Pengharapan Kekal Mission District, Nabawan
2. Revd Edwin Shim Ka Heng of Heritage Anglican Church, Kota Kinabalu

ii) Non-Stipendiary

1. Revd Tan Kian Chai of St. Michael & All Angels' Church, Sandakan

Notice is hereby given that if anyone
knows of any cause or just impediment
as to why they should not be so ordained
and admitted to the Priesthood/
Diaconate, he or she should declare it
in writing to the Bishop of Sabah.
This is the second announcement.

Year of Awakening 2026
All of Me, All for Him
1 John 4:9-19

Introduction

We love God, because in Jesus Christ, God has first loved us—demonstrated in Jesus dying on the cross for us sinners. (1 John 4:9-19; Romans 5:6-10)

1. Loving God with All Our Soul

- The direction of our life

2. Loving God with All Our Mind

- The discernment of our life

Conclusion

Romans 11:33-12:2