



St John's Cathedral 聖公會聖約翰座堂

Anglican Diocese of Hong Kong Island
Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

*'St John's Cathedral is a place of God's grace, welcoming all,
following Christ and changing lives in the heart of Hong Kong.'*

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY 25TH AUGUST 2024

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
Reader: Zenaida Carias

9.00am Sung Eucharist (<https://youtube.com/live/o1v4JlkATi4>)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
Deacon: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Communion Setting: Addington Service (Richard Shephard)
Hymns: 550, 582, 388, 567
Voluntary: Sortie sur l'antienne «Adoremus in aeternum»
(Eugène Gigout)
Readers: Julianne Doe, Mark Tse
Intercessor: Susan King

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Reader: Gareth Williams
Intercessor: Kevin She

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Evening Prayer in Taizé style

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman
Reader: Letty Awingan

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 26th August	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.25pm	<i>Meditation Group</i>
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
TUE 27th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>
WED 28th <i>Augustine</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—Ode to Nature 然音袅袅 with Rayne Chai (Soprano) and Edmund Cham (Piano)</i>
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 29th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
	8.30pm	<i>Prayers for Peace (ZOOM)</i>
FRI 30th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	8.00pm	<i>'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)</i>
SAT 31st	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Sung Eucharist (<i>Pilipino</i>)
	4.00pm	<i>Andrew Fellowship</i>
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (<i>Cantonese</i>)(Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 1st September <i>Deut 4.1-2, 6-9</i> <i>Psalms 15</i> <i>Jas 1.17-end</i> <i>Mark 7.1-8, 14-15, 21-23</i>	The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	
	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
	9.00am	Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Dean
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis Preacher: The Dean
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (<i>Pilipino</i>) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	5.00pm	Choral Evensong Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

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*Welcome to all who worship here today. Visiting communicants, of whatever Christian tradition, are invited to receive communion here. **No unauthorized photography, video filming or sound recording during the service. Please set your mobile phone to silent and refrain from using it during the service.***

COLLECT

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Joshua 24. 1-2a, 14-18

A reading from the book of Joshua.

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people,

‘Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.’

Then the people answered, ‘Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.’

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 6. 10-20

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

John 6.56-69

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the crowd: ‘Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of

the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.' He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

When many of his disciples heard it, they said, 'This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?' But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, 'Does this offend you? Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. But among you there are some who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. And he said, 'For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.'

Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. So Jesus asked the twelve, 'Do you also wish to go away?' Simon Peter answered him, 'Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator, you feed your children with the true manna, the living bread from heaven: let this holy food sustain us through our earthly pilgrimage until we come to that place where hunger and thirst are no more; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico.

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui (Anglican Province of Hong Kong & Macau); for the Most Revd Andrew Chan, our Archbishop and primate; for our Diocesan Bishop, the Rt Revd Dr Matthias Der, and for all bishops, priests and deacons within our diocese and province.

We also pray for St Augustine's Chapel; for the Rt Revd Dr Timothy Kwok, the Very Revd Franklin Lee and the Revd Canon Dr Eric Chong; for all the lectors and intercessors, servers, greeters, choir members and organists of the Chapel; for all the children and youth of the Chapel; for the Sunday School teachers who nurture the children to understand and love God; for the Christian nurture, evangelism and support to all staff and students of Diocesan Boys' School; for all the teachers, staff, students, parents and old boys of Diocesan Boys' School.

Within the Cathedral Parish we pray for the Cathedral Church and its various congregations, for the Dean and the chaplains; for our daughter churches; St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley, Discovery Bay Church and Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam; and their Priests in Charge. We also remember in our prayers 'Grace in a busy week', Bible Reading Fellowship, Chinese Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship, Andrew Fellowship, Friday Fellowship Group, Filipino Fellowship, and the IFI Fellowship.

We pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar, giving thanks that our donations have helped to provide food, medicines and healthcare for 1700 refugees from the fighting that has destroyed many villages in remote areas of the diocese.

PRAYERS AND NOTICES

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Alan Irvine, The Dean, Fung Wan Nui, Irena Wu, Toung Ming, Marylou Davis, Fr Desmond Cox, Rosendo Burgos, Eva Sorrel, Jerry Gleicher, Lucita Villareal, Raymond Yuen, Arturo Lamshing, Jane Pang Tong, Annabella Janssen, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, SoSo Mei Ping Wong -Leung, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Sister Jean Mary, Sanson Lau, Muriel Tsang, Daisy Tai, Fr Hugh Phillipson, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Hsu Hon Chung, Chuan Xiaokang, Sarah Wong, Joseph Chu, Wong Dor Chun, Claire Gotten, and Wanda Wan H.

Please pray for the recently departed:
Canon Rex Howe

Canon Rex Howe, a former Dean of St John's Cathedral, passed away peacefully last Sunday in England, aged 95. Rex Howe was Dean from 1973-76, remembered as a gentle man. He said that the cathedral's 125th anniversary (1974) was a call to mission. 50 years later we are still called to mission, to proclaim the gospel in our generation.

In Memoriam:

Samson YC Sun and Joshua Swain.

Please remember those named above in your private prayers. To include someone in this prayer list, please contact Elisa, **Tel: 2523 4157**.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

As conflicts rage in the Holy Land, Gaza and Ukraine, our world needs peace more than ever. Join members of the congregation to pray for peace on Zoom, every Thursday evening 8.30-9.00pm. Prayers provided, just join in. Please WhatsApp Will on 6254 7514 for the Zoom link.

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REFRESHMENTS

in the Li Hall after 9.00am service

Please join us for light refreshments; a good opportunity to renew acquaintances, welcome visitors and new friends while enjoying fellowship with other parishioners.

FLOWERS

The pedestal flowers are donated in loving memory of Joshua Swain on the anniversary of his birth on 30th August.

Sunday School 2024/25 Registration Form



Celebration of the 175th Anniversary of the Cathedral Church of St John the Evangelist on Sunday 15th September 2024

*A Thanksgiving Eucharist at 5.00pm at St John's Cathedral
followed by
an Anniversary Gala Dinner at 7.30pm
at the City Hall Maxim's Palace*



Tickets for the Gala Dinner at \$500 per person are available at the Cathedral office.

Please call 2523 4157. *All are welcome!* **Deadline: TODAY**

NOTICES



CURSILLO HK7

3rd—6th October (Thu 5pm - Sun 4pm)

Honeyville Retreat House, Mt Davis, Kennedy Town

A residential weekend leading to continuing engagement in a community of Christians Living an active life in their parish and environment.

Theme:
**Fear not,
Follow me**

Requirements:

- Over 18 years old
- Baptized for at least 2 years
- Anglican parishioners



JOIN US

Enquiry: cursillohk@gmail.com

Registration deadline: 8th September 2024

CHRISTIANS IN CENTRAL

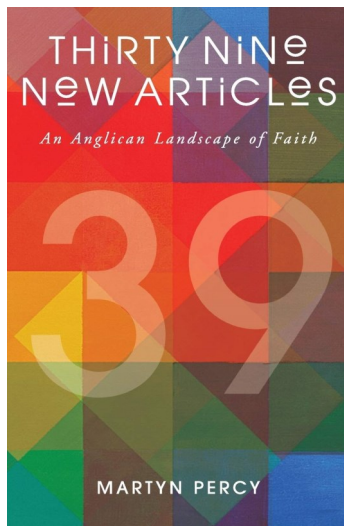
on Tuesday 3rd September at 1.00pm in the Li Hall

Topic: Thirty Nine New Articles—An Anglican Landscape of Faith

Speaker: Professor Martyn Percy

Provost Theologian

Ming Hua Theological College



Anglicans affirm the creeds, and are bible-believing Christians. But Anglicans often divide on how to interpret the bible and how to practice their faith. So what is that keeps Anglicans together? In the 16th century the answer was to invest in “articles of faith” that everyone was made to subscribe to. Originally there were 39 of these. But these were for the English, and in the 21st century very few Anglican churches find these articles to have any relevance today. In this thought-provoking and lighthearted talk, Prof Percy explains what really keeps churches and denominations together.

Sandwiches and refreshments will be served from 12.45pm

Tickets at \$60 are available at the Cathedral Bookstore.
Reservation can also be made through the Cathedral office
on 2523 4157 or email Scarlett at reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

**MRS LILY PONG SCHOLARSHIP
FOR CHURCH ORGANISTS**

OPEN FOR APPLICATION (2025-26)

'The Mrs Lily Pong Scholarship for Church Organists' for admission in September 2025 is now opened for application. Sponsored by St Paul's Church and the family of the late Mrs Lily Pong, the scholarship aims at providing subsidy to existing and potential church organists in HKSKH to be better equipped with organ playing techniques and church service playing skills. The scholarship will provide a scheme for one-on-one tuition with a qualified professional organ instructor in Hong Kong over a period of up to three (3) years, depending on the ability of the participants. The participants must commit to finish the scheme and serve as organist at his/her parish/mission church for at least two (2) years after completing the scheme.

Interested candidates please contact your parish administrators for information pack of the scheme and application form or download them from the Provincial website (www.hkskh.org).

Deadline for application is 18th October 2024 (Friday).

HKSKH Ming Hua Theological College

RECRUITMENT FOR 2024-2025

The recruitment for the following programmes is open now. Should you have any enquiries, please contact us at admission@minghua.edu.hk or WhatsApp to 9530 7241. *All programmes are conducted in Cantonese.*



Diploma of Theology



Diploma of
Spiritual Direction



Training Course
for RE Teachers



OPENING DAY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

You are cordially invited to our Opening Day Thanksgiving Service in our Chapel at 5.00pm on Thursday 5th September 2024. No registration needed. All are welcome. Enquiry: enquiry@minghua.edu.hk or 2521 7708

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

Dean

The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan
(Acting Priest-In-Charge of Discovery Bay Church)

Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:

Chinese Ministry -
The Revd Canon Peter Koon
The Revd Amos Poon

Christian Education - The Revd Will Newman
(Priest-In-Charge of St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley)

Filipino Ministry -
The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
The Revd Sharon Langbis

Liturgy and Spirituality - The Revd Robert Martin CMP
(Priest-In-Charge of Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam)

Mission and Ministry - The Revd Amos Poon

Youth Ministry - The Revd Amos Poon

Honorary Chaplains:

The Revd Professor Philip Wickeri
The Revd Polly Wong Heung-fong

Executive Administrator:

Mr Thomas Li

Serving the wider community:

SJC Counselling Service
Mission for Migrant Workers
SJC Life Enrichment Centre
Cathedral Bookstore
CLARES/Castaways
Prison Ministry



Information about St John's Cathedral and its ministries can be found on the notice boards and on the website: www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk.

Clergy are here to listen and help. Please feel free to speak to one of them after the services, or make contact during the week: St John's Cathedral, 4-8 Garden Road, Central Tel: 2523 4157

Welcome to St John's Cathedral!

Please complete this form and hand it to one of the Clergy, a Sidesman or the Welcome Table.

Surname: _____

First Name: _____

Name of spouse (if applicable) _____

Names and ages of children (if applicable) _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

Please circle as appropriate:

I attend the 8.00am/9.00am/10.30am/11.45am/1.30pm/5.00pm service.

I am interested in finding out about: Sunday School / Cathedral Choir / CLARES / Baptism & Confirmation / Flower Guild / Sidesman / Servers Guild / Fellowship Group / Stewardship Scheme / Uniformed Group.

Other questions / information: _____

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