

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 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (DEDICATION FESTIVAL) 15TH SEPTEMBER 2024

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

Reader: Jeanniee Chan

9.00am Sung Eucharist (<u>https://youtube.com/live/3GUR8yIpoRQ</u>)

Celebrant: The Dean

Preacher: The Revd Prof Philip Wickeri

Deacon: The Revd Polly Wong

Communion Setting: Communion Service (John Rutter)

Hymns: 485, 231, 555iii, 537i Voluntary: Toccata I (Georg Muffat)

Readers: Thomas Swain, Eunice Tuma-ac

Intercessor: Mary Szeto

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

Reader: T Y Wong Intercessor: Daniel Kong

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm St John's Cathedral 175th Anniversary Thanksgiving Service

(<u>https://youtube.com/live/KqnBG6z1ips</u>)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rt Revd Dr Matthias Der

Readers: Eunice Tuma-ac, Eric Ip

Intercessors: Craig Lindsay, Ting-Kin Cheung



THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 16th September	8.00am <i>12.25pm</i> 1.00pm	Said Eucharist Meditation Group One o'clock Prayer
TUE 17th	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 7.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)
WED 18th (PH) Mid-Autumn Festival	9.00am	Said Eucharist
THU 19th	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm 8.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers Prayers for Peace (ZOOM)
FRI 20th	8.00am 1.00pm 3.00pm 8.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Friday Fellowship Group (in person/ZOOM) Topic: The Parables about Judgement 'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)
SAT 21st <i>Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist</i>	8.30am 12.00noon <i>4.00pm</i> 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Sung Eucharist Andrew Fellowship Sung Eucharist (Cantonese)(Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 22nd September The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity (Outreach Sunday)		
Wisdom 1.1-16-2.1, 12-22		Said Eucharist
Psalm 54 James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a Mark 9.30-37	9.00am	Celebrant: The Dean Outreach Sharing Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Dean Outreach Sharing
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
	11.45am	Outreach Sharing Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	1.30pm	Outreach Sharing Sung Eucharist (Pilipino) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	5.00pm	Outreach Sharing Evening Prayer in Taizé style Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong

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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

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.**

FIRST READING Isaiah 50.4-9a

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

The servant of the Lord said: The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens—wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

This is the word of the Lord. **All Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING James 3.1-12

A reading from the letter of James.

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue -a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

This is the word of the Lord. **All Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING Mark 8.27-end

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that I am?' And they answered him, 'John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.' He asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Peter answered him, 'You are the Messiah.' And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great

suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **All Praise to you, O Christ.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

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 Calvary Church; for the Revd Dr Eric Lau, all the staff and volunteers serving in the parish; may God keep them and grant them strength; for the parish, may God lead us forward together in proclaiming the gospel and guiding the flock; for the planned focus on "Put Out Into Deep Water"; for the Emmaus Nurture and Growth programs so that more people could be enriched in Christ; for the spiritual growth programs; for the parish's Schools Evangelization Committee; may the Gospel be received well by the students, especially at the S.K.H. Holy Cross Primary School Worship Centre; For the parish's social services, for the neighbourhood; may God's love reach everybody, especially in the newly developed area of Kai Chuen Estate and its community health centre.

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 Christians in Central, In Touch Magazine, Cathedral Bookstore, Mission For Migrant Workers, SJC Life Enrichment Centre, and St John's Counselling Service.

We pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar, and especially for St Peter's Bible College, recently heavily flooded after a dam collapsed. We continue to pray for Bishop Sheesho as he works tirelessly for his people through this time of conflict and suffering.

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, Sister Jean Mary,

Dr Verner Bickley, Fr Hugh Phillipson, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Sanson Lau, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Muriel Tsang, Daisy Tai, Hsu Hon Chung, Chuan Xiaokang, Sarah Wong, Joseph Chu, Wong Dor Chun, Claire Gotten, and Wanda Wan H.

Please pray for the recently departed: Eileen Booth, Tsoi Chow Sik Tung, Evangeline Dayao, Fanny Tung and Tonya Porter.

In Memoriam: Bick M Chu and Andrew She

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.

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.

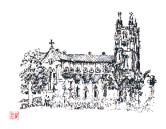
> In preparation of the St John's Cathedral 175th Anniversary celebration

NO PARKING

will be allowed on the Cathedral grounds after 12noon this Sunday.

(Parking is available at Cheung Kong Center)

DEDICATION FESTIVAL



We are celebrating our Dedication Festival at St John's Cathedral today. We give special thanks to God for our Cathedral Church and his blessings on its ministry to Hong Kong and its people over the last 175 years! Please pray for our Cathedral and its continuing ministry.

Come and join our

175th Anniversary

Thanksgiving Service
at 5.00pm

175th ANNIVERSARY—GIFT TO THE DIOCESE OF HK ISLAND

This year marks the 175th anniversary for St John's Cathedral. Events commemorating this event will take place during this year including our special anniversary service and dinner today.

St John's is a Cathedral by virtue of its being the seat for the Bishop of Hong Kong and is the mother church in our diocese of Hong Kong Island.

In recognition of this special status we are making an appeal to make a gift to our diocese in the amount of \$175,000 or more. To the extent you are able, please consider a contribution towards this gift. Envelopes have been placed on the pews for this purpose. Thank you!



QR Code for online donation.

Please mark ' *Donation for*175th Anniversary' Thanks.

POVERTY ALLEVIATION

A Field trip to Hong Kong Heritage Museum with seniors from the Western District

Saturday 28th September 9.00am—1.30pm

The Poverty Alleviation Programme invites you to accompany single elderlies from the Western District to the Hong Kong Heritage Museum to see the Jin Yong as well as the Bruce Lee exhibition with games and & quizzes, followed by a lunch with the elderlies.

A shuttle bus will pick up participants at the Western District Elderly Community Centre and transport to the Hong Kong Heritage Museum.

Spaces are limited, reserve your spot now!



Diocesan Committee on Christian Nurture Revival Meeting Mediating formation through change and tension--An inspiration from Ignatian Spirituality

Content:

In response to the Diocesan Mission Plan - 'Becoming Christ's Disciples, Renewing the Church', how should we react to the different changes in the social environment? What spiritual disciplines are there to help us live in the direction and light of Christ, so that we can experience His peace, joy and hope?

Speaker:

Fr Stephen Tong, SJ. (Director of Xavier Retreat House, currently the Father Provincial of the Chinese Province of Society of Jesus)

Date/Time: 5th October, 2024 (Saturday) 10.00am - 12.30pm

HKSKH St. James' Church (112 Kennedy Road, Wan Chai, HK) Venue:

Language: Cantonese

Online enrolment:



Deadline for enrolment: 23rd September, 2024

Free of charge

Enquiries: Ms Chiu, Diocesan Office (Tel.: 2526 5366)

* The event will be interpreted in English simultaneously.
* Children activities will be arranged for kids aged 6 to 11 but will be conducted in Cantonese.

Please scan the QR Code for highlights of the

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHOIR UNITED KINGDOM TOUR 2024



MICHAELMAS FAIR

Saturday 26th October 2024

DONATIONS for:

BOOKSTALL

Please take a good look at your bookshelves, pull out those volumes you will not look at again and donate them to our **Second Hand Bookstall**. The Stall is a significant source of income to the Fair and its charities and its success depends on the books you donate. We also invite you to give us CDs and DVDs which you don't want any more. We regret that we cannot take VCDs or magazines. They don't sell!

WHITE ELEPHANT STALL

Still wondering what to do with the vase you bought at a weak moment? Let us find it a new owner who will love and cherish it. All kinds of items will be gladly received; electronics, paintings, household items, jewelry, home accessories, bric a brac, as long as they are resalable.

STAMP STALL

New or used stamps, First Day covers, other philatelic material, used old bank notes and old coins are also welcome. (Please mark your contributions 'FOR ALEXANDER KWAN'.)

WINE & BEER GARDEN

Our popular Wine Garden is appealing for wine for serving on the day of the Fair. Please go through your private cellars and donate bottles of red and white! All bottles to be delivered to the Cathedral Office marked clearly 'For Michaelmas Fair Wine Garden'.

Please bring your donations to the Cathedral office (2523 4157) clearly marked for the Michaelmas Fair (Mon-Fri) 9.00am – 5.00pm; (Sat) 9.00am – 12.00noon

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:		
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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.			
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