

# 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.'

# CHRIST THE KING 24TH NOVEMBER 2024

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman

Reader: Jeanniee Chan

**9.00am** Sung Eucharist (https://youtube.com/live/oIBsiwJtJzU)

Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon

Preacher and Deacon: The Dean

Communion Setting: The Festive Eucharist (Noel Rawsthorne)

Hymns: 200, 176, 201, 199

Anthem: Let all mortal flesh keep silence (Edward Bairstow)

Voluntary: First Movement from Organ Sonata No. 1

in F minor (Felix Mendelssohn)

Readers: Gordon Jones, Mark Tse

Intercessor: Susan King

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

**11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)**Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis

Preacher: The Dean

Reader: Gareth Williams

Intercessor: Saki Tsoi

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Choral Evensong with Benediction

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

Reader: Denise Giles

# THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 25th November	8.00am <i>12.25pm</i> 1.00pm	Said Eucharist  Meditation Group  One o'clock Prayer
TUE 26th	8.00am <i>7.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)
WED 27th	8.00am 1.15pm	Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament Lunchtime Recital—Sogno Della Vita Vocal Recital by Winifred Lee & Hong Man Kin
THU 28th	1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm 8.30pm	One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers Prayers for Peace (ZOOM)
FRI 29th	8.00am 1.00pm 3.00pm 8.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Friday Fellowship Group (in person/ZOOM) 'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)
SAT 30th	8.30am 12.00noon 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist ( <i>Pilipino</i> ) Sung Eucharist ( <i>Cantonese</i> )(Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 1st December Jeremiah 33.14-16 Psalm 25.1-9 1 Thess 3.9-end Luke 21.25-36	The First \$ 8.00am 9.00am 10.30am 11.45am 1.30pm 5.00pm	Sunday of Advent Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Dean Preacher: The Very Revd Prof Martyn Percy Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis Preacher: The Revd Prof Philip Wickeri Sung Eucharist (Pilipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre 'The King and His Kingdom' - A Service for the Beginning of Advent Officiant: The Revd Desmond Cox

# ONLINE DONATION



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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**

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

## FIRST READING Daniel 7.9-10, 13-14

A reading from the book of Daniel.

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

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

## SECOND READING Revelation 1.4b-8

A reading from the book of Revelation.

Grace to you and peace from God who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the

faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

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

## GOSPEL READING John 18.33-37

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

## All Glory to you, O Lord.

Pilate asked Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.

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

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of South America.

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 the Diocese of Hong Kong Island, the Diocesan Bishop, the Rt Revd Matthias Der, the Bishops Emeritus, the Most Revd Dr Peter Kwong and the Most Revd Dr Paul Kwong, and for all clerics and the faithful; for the strategic planning and execution of the growth of all parishes and mission churches on their qualities and quantities; for the Diocesan mission initiative "Becoming Christ's Disciples, Renewing the Church" to be fully implemented in all churches with fruitful results; for the evangelic program "5-3-1" and the "Bishop's Bible Study Series"

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, where the people are suffering from both the continuing conflict and the recent terrible flooding. The Diocese is supporting hundreds of people who are homeless and have lost everything. Give thanks for funds donated to the diocese by cathedral members and others, aiding people who have no other help.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:
Ray Li, Sabrina Ho, Got Yuen Dick,
Alan Irvine, Eva Sorrel, Fung Wan Nui,
Irena Wu, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Dr
Verner Bickley, Hsu Hon Chung, Daisy
Tai, Toung Ming, Arturo Lamshing,
Raymond Yuen, Rozana Leung-Bishop,
Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Sanson
Lau, Jane Pang Tong, Sister Jean Mary,
Chuan Xiaokang, Joseph Chu, Fr Hugh
Phillipson, Annabella Janssen, SoSo
Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Muriel Tsang,
Braden Bradford, Wong Dor Chun,
Wanda Wan H, Jerry Gleicher, Sarah
Wong, Caitlin Berry and Wanda Clay.

Please pray for the recently departed: Bosco Tsui, Maria Astuti and Samuel Lam Pak Nin.

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.

#### **FLOWERS**

The pedestal flowers are donated by Mr David Leo Yeung in thanksgiving.

### TURKEY BEFORE CHRISTMAS Revelation revealed

Christians in Central 12.45pm Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December Li Hall, St John's Cathedral

Speaker: The Revd Will Newman

Please mark your calendar.

# PROVINCIAL CLERGY CONFERENCE

The Cathedral Clergy will be away from Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> until Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November on the annual Provincial Clergy Conference. This yearly event is a time for the provincial clergy to gather, with their bishops, for prayer, study and fellowship. Please keep your clergy in your prayers over these days.

There will be a slightly revised schedule for the weekday Eucharists at St John's during this time. Please see the pew sheet or the Cathedral website for more information. If you need a priest in case of emergency please call the Cathedral Office - 2523 4157.

#### 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.



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Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 7.30pm

# GOLDEN JUBILEE EUCHARIST

to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ordination to the Priesthood of

# Fr Desmond Cox

Retired Chaplain of St John's

Come and join us for this celebration.

# HONG KONG SHENG KUNG HUI EDUCATION EXPO in the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Hall 1A

14<sup>th</sup> December 10.00am—7.00pm (Opening Ceremony at 11.00am) 15<sup>th</sup> December 10.0am—5.00pm

The Education Expo aims to introduce to parents and church members the education services and education system of HKSKH, and how SKH schools, unique in itself yet integrated as a whole, cater for the needs of students from different backgrounds, helping them grow healthily, to embrace an abundant life through the fifteen years of education and nourishment in SKH kindergarten, primary school, and secondary school.

Another feature of the SKH education system is the three-racing chariot model of mission. School is not the only place to nurture students during their growth. Through the nurturing of the parish and missionary churches and services provided by the different social services units, students receive spiritual nourishment, life development and support to their family and community life. Students can grow up healthily and enjoy a happy and harmonious family and community life. We have invited all HKSKH schools, the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Provincial Echo, HKSKH Archives, different social services units, Ming Hua Theological College, Religious Education Centre and St John's College of the University of Hong Kong to participate in this event so that the public can get to know more about our entire education system. We look forward to your presence.

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# ADVENT & CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2024



Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December The First Sunday of Advent (Sunday Services as normal)

5.00pm 'The King and his Kingdom' A Service for the beginning of Advent

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December
The Second Sunday of Advent
(Sunday Services as normal)

5.00pm
'Blue Christmas' Eucharist
A Service for those mourning a loss
this Christmas season

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December The Third Sunday of Advent (Sunday Services as normal)

Saturday 21st December

6.00pm Chinese Carol Service with Eucharist

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Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December
The Fourth Sunday of Advent

9.00am Sung Eucharist with Nativity Play

5.00pm Nine Lessons and Carols

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Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve

3.00pm Crib Service (30 minutes)

> 4.30pm Christingle Service

(The Cathedral will be closed from 6.00pm for preparation.)

11.00pm Midnight Mass of the Nativity and Blessing of the Crib



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Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day

8.00am Said Eucharist
9.00am Sung Eucharist
10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)
11.45am Responsorial Eucharist

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist with Carols

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

NO 5.00pm Service

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# ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL 2024 MIDNIGHT MASS TICKETING

Each year, we welcome over 1,300 people to our Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. To ensure that tickets are evenly distributed among parishioners and the wider community, tickets will be available for advance application through an online form.

The online application will start at 10.00am on Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December and will close when all available tickets are exhausted. Please refer to the application form (QR Code can be found at the bottom of this notice) for further details.

The Cathedral Office will contact successful applicants to collect tickets from the Cathedral Office between 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December during office hours. Any uncollected tickets after Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> December, will be reallocated to other applicants.

One hundred tickets will be reserved for distribution at the West Door at 9.00pm on  $24^{th}$  December.

Please note the following:

- 1. Ticket holders will be admitted from 10.00pm through the North and South Transept Doors.
- 2. All ticket holders are requested to be seated by 10.30pm when the Devotion before Midnight Mass begins.3. Any unoccupied seats will be released to non-ticket holders under the
- Any unoccupied seats will be released to non-ticket holders under the supervision of the sidesmen at 10.45pm.
- 4. There will be a livestream in both the Li Hall and the North Lawn for worshippers who cannot get a seat in the cathedral.

We cannot guarantee the success of all applications. All rights and decisions are reserved to St John's Cathedral. Please scan the QR code below to apply for the tickets.









# DAUGHTER CHURCHES 2024 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

6.00pm Christingle Service with Nativity Play Discovery Bay Church

10.00pm Midnight Mass of the Nativity Emmanuel Church

11.00pm Midnight Mass of the Nativity St Stephen's Chapel

All are welcome. Tickets not required.

### 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 Board Amag Board

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

W	Velcome 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 / inf	ormation:		
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