

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.'

EASTER DAY 20TH APRIL 2025

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

Reader: Faye Yee

Intercessor: Jeanniee Chan

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

Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean

Deacon: The Revd Desmond Cox

Communion Setting: Missa Papae Marcelli (Giovanni Pierluigi da

Palestrina)

Hymns: 147, 664, 156, 159

Anthem: Haec dies (Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina)

Readers: Julianne Doe, Susan King

Intercessor: Theodore Lau

Voluntary: Chorale-Improvisation on 'Victimae Paschali'

(Charles Tournemire)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist-CW

Celebrant: The Revd Desmond Cox

Preacher: The Revd Canon Prof Martyn Percy

Reader: Karmen Kar Intercessor: John Breen

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Festal Evensong

Officiant: The Revd Robert Martin
Preacher: The Revd Drew Courtright

Reader: Zenaida Carias

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 21st April (Public Holiday)	9.00am	Said Eucharist
TUE 22nd	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 7.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)
WED 23rd	8.00am 1.00pm <i>1.15pm</i> 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Lunchtime Recital—Vocal Recital by Queena Chan (Soprano) Said Eucharist
THU 24th	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 25th	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 26th	8.30am 12.00noon 4.00pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) Andrew Fellowship Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 27th April	The Second S	unday of Easter
Acts 5.27-32	8.00am	Said Eucharist
Psalm 118.14-end Revelation 1.4-8 John 20.19-end	9.00am	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	10.30am	Preacher: The Revd Prof John Kater Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Dean
	11.45am	Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Revd Desmond Cox
	1.30pm	Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon Sung Eucharist (Pilipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Taizé style Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

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

Lord of all life and power, who through the mighty resurrection of your Son overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him: grant that we, being dead to sin and alive to you in Jesus Christ, may reign with him in glory; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be praise and honour, glory and might, now and in all eternity. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 10.34-43

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

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

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15.19-26

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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

GOSPEL READING John 20.1-18

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. **All Glory to you, O Lord.**

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first,

also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.

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 Church of Our Saviour, the Revd Tony Au-Yeung, the Parish officers and all the volunteers; For the Development Plan 2025 and ministries of the Parish; For the nurture and training of their Sunday school teachers and youth fellowship leaders; For the deepening of the Life Education Ministry of the Parish; For the works and ministries of the Anglican Tai Po Network, which liaised with the Anglican parties including the church, schools and social services units, to be the Light of God in the community of Tai Po District.

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 our Welcomers & Cathedral Minders, Sunday School, Discoverers, Parents and Toddlers, Education for Ministry (EfM) Courses, CLARES, Castaways, and SJC Flower Guild.

We pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar, and for all those suffering after the earthquake. 46 churches in the diocese have suffered partial or severe damage, and in one parish 106 houses belonging to parishioners have been damaged or destroyed. You can help by making a donation. All funds will go directly to the diocese for relief work.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Dan Severson, Melville Boase, Donna Willis, Esther Tse, Lai Sau Yuk, Ma Sau Yuen, Nicole Tanjoco, Irena Wu, Teresa Ray Li, Kitty Wong, Cheung Chik Wan, Jane Pang Tong, Fung Wan Nui, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Sabrina Ho, Keith So, Hsu Hon Chung, Pope Francis, Joseph Chu, Eva Sorrel, Caitlin Berry, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Chew Tung Yim Fong, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Sister Jean Mary, Lee Kit Ching Joseph, Wanda Wan H, Alan Irvine, Sanson Lau, Annabella Janssen, Lucita Villareal, Sarah Wong, Arturo Lamshing, Daisy Tai, Raymond Yuen, Chuan Xiaokang, Li Chunjuan and Wanda Clay.

Please pray for the recently departed: Toung Ming and Teresa Wong Yau Sut

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

REMARKS: Unless Elisa is contacted (deanssec@stjohnscathedral.org.hk) with advice to the contrary, names will be removed from the Prayer Request list after one month.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

For over 3 years a small group of parishioners has been meeting every Thursday evening on Zoom to pray for peace in Ukraine, in the Middle East, in Myanmar and Sudan, and peace in ourselves. We pray for all people of goodwill to create a lasting peace. You can join us at 8.30pm any Thursday. WhatsApp Will on 6254 7514.

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.

EXPECTATIONS & RESPONSIBILITIES OF A COUNCIL MEMBER

- Attend worship services regularly
- Passion for and commitment to the Cathedral's ongoing and developing ministries
- Leadership in Stewardship as evidenced by both active involvement in the ministries of the parish and making a Stewardship pledge
- Ability and willingness to communicate
- · A sense of vision
- Sense of humour and patience
- Attend Council meetings as scheduled; send apologies to secretary if unable to attend
- Take responsibility for carrying out tasks and action items between council meetings
- Participate in special events and gatherings of the parish

St John's Cathedral Annual Church Meeting

on Sunday 27th April 2025 at 1.00pm in the Li Hall Please mark your calendar.

MICHAELMAS FAIR 2025 JOY IN EVERY BITE

Experience a heartwarming family and friends gathering with a special dumpling-making class led by Natalie Law. Let's make dumplings from scratch and create joyful memories together!

Date: 26th April (Saturday)

Time: 3.00-5.00pm

Venue: Li Hall

Donation:

\$300 for individual /
\$1,000 for group of 4
with a dumpling-making gift set

All proceeds will go towards supporting various ministries of St John's Cathedral

Please reserve your seats at the Cathedral Office or via WhatsApp +852 5107 7170. First come first serve.

ONLINE DONATION



https:www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk/ Donation/default.aspx?lang=1

Poverty Alleviation **EASTER PARTY WITH THE ELDERLY**

Join Us for a Joyful Easter Celebration with seniors from the Western District.

The Poverty Alleviation Programme invites you to celebrate Easter with our senior friends from the Western District. Enjoy a day with them through making Easter Chocolate Eggs and Origami Bunnies, singing festive songs, culminating in a delightful afternoon tea with our senior friends!

Date: 26th April 2025 (Sat) Time: 12.30pm - 4.00pm Venue: SKH Western District Elderly Community Centre

If you're excited to join us, please enrol using the QR code. Spaces are limited, so be sure to reserve your spot today! If you have any questions, please contact Caius Ng at *caiusng@hotmail.com*.



HKSKH Ming Hua Theological College **Summer 2025 Sacred Music Courses**

Hymn Playing and Organ Registration

Instructor: Mr Wong Ching Yin

Dates: 30th April, 7th, 21st and 28th May (Wed, 4 lessons in total)

Time: 7.30pm – 9.00pm Venue: St John's Cathedral

Fee: \$1000 (active students); \$400 (observers)

Advanced Choral Conducting

Instructor: Mr Felix Yeung (Provincial Music Director)

Dates: 10th, 17th and 24th May, 7th June (Sat, 4 lessons in total)

Time: 10.30am – 12.30pm (10th, 17th and 24th May); 10.30am – 1.00pm (7th June)

Venue: St John's Cathedral

Fee: \$1000 (active students); \$400 (observers)

All courses are taught in Cantonese. Scan the QR code or visit https://www.minghua.edu.hk/smrc-en for details and applications:





Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Diocese of Hong Kong Island **Gospel Rally 2025**

17th May 2025 (Saturday) Date:

3.00 – 5.00pm (Admission begins 30 mins before the event) Time:

S.K.H. Tang Shiu Kin Secondary School 9 Oi Kwan Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong Venue:

Go Where? Theme:

'I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.'

(John 10.10b)

Content: Hymn sharing, sand-painting testimonies, preaching

The Most Revd Datuk NG Moon Hing Speaker:

(The 4th Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia)

Cantonese (*Simultaneous interpretation available in English Language:

and Putonghua respectively)

Free of charge. Tickets are available at the Cathedral office. Tickets:

Please register in person or by phone 2523 4157. Thank you.

You are encouraged to invite non-Christian relatives and friends to join.

Dean

The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan

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

The Revd Drew Courtright (Priest-In-Charge of Discovery Bay Church)

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



Safeguarding Co-ordinator:

Mr Jason Wong

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, 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: □ I do not agree to receive any promotional materials from St John's Cathedral. This information is collected in accordance with the Personal Data Privacy Statement as

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