

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.'

DAY OF THANKSGIVING FOR HOLY COMMUNION (CORPUS CHRISTI) 22ND JUNE 2025

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman

Reader: Faye Yee

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

(Eucharistic Prayer E)

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis

Preacher and Deacon: The Dean

Communion Setting: Festive Eucharist (Noel Rawsthorne)

Hymns: 387i, 666, 396, 367

Anthem: O sacrum convivium (Giovanni Pierluigi

da Palestrina)

Readers: Susan King, Marina Lau

Intercessor: Thomas Swain

Voluntary: Fourth Movement from Interludes de

procession pour l'hymne Pange lingua

(René Vierne)

10.30am St John's Ambulance Annual Service of Dedication

Celebrant: The Dean

Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

Reader: John Breen Intercessor: Kevin She

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

5.00pm Choral Evensong with Benediction

Officiant: The Revd Amos Poon

Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP

Reader: Denise Giles

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 23rd June	8.00am 12.25pm 1.00pm	Said Eucharist Meditation Group One o'clock Prayer
TUE 24th The Birth of John the Baptist	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 7.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)
WED 25th	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Lunchtime Recital—Siney & Friends Recital Said Eucharist
THU 26th	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers
FRI 27th	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 28th Irenaeus, Bishop of Lyons, Teacher, C.200	8.30am 12.00noon 4.00pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (<i>Pilipino</i>) Andrew Fellowship Sung Eucharist (<i>Cantonese</i>) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 29th June Peter and Paul, Apostles		
Acts 12.1-11	8.00am	Said Eucharist
Psalm 125 2 Timothy 4.6-8, 17-18 Matthew 16.13-19	9.00am	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Revd Prof Philip Wickeri
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)
	11.45am	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Dean
	1.30pm	Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)
	5.00pm	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis Evening Prayer in Taizé style Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Drew Courtright

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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

Lord Jesus Christ, we thank you that in this wonderful sacrament you have given us the memorial of your passion: grant us so to reverence the sacred mysteries of your body and blood that we may know within ourselves and show forth in our lives the fruits of your redemption; for you are alive and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Genesis 14.18-20

A reading from the book of Genesis.

King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

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

SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 11.23-26

A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians.

For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, 'This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.' For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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

GOSPEL READING John 6.51-58

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.'

The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. 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.'

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

All praise to you, our God and Father, for you have fed us with the bread of heaven and quenched our thirst from the true vine: hear our prayer that, being grafted into Christ, we may grow together in unity and feast with him in his kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique e Angola .

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 Archbishop Andrew Chan, Primate of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, Archbishop Emeritus Peter Kwong, Archbishop Emeritus Paul Kwong, Bishop Timothy Kwok and Bishop Matthias Der; may Lord God grant them love, wisdom and power to lead our Province in Hong Kong and Macau, that the Church may grow as a community of peace and hope by walking with her people; For the Provincial Office, Ming Hua Theological College, Echo, HKSKH Education Services, Religious Education Resource Centre, Archives, House of Prayer, and all HKSKH schools and social service units. For the 10th General Synod to be held on 21st-25th June; may the grace of God be with all synod members and workers so that the meetings can be smoothly conducted, and all the discussion and resolutions may benefit the Church according to God's will.

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 Council members, Cathedral Staff, Cathedral Servers, Cathedral Sidesmen, Poverty Alleviation Group, our Prison Ministry, Music Ministry, and Lunchtime Recitals.

We pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar. Their work goes on in spite of the military conflict. We have received beautiful photos of the Graduation Ceremony of Agape, the Diocesan Kindergarten, with little boys and girls proudly dressed in colourful academic robes. Pray for Bishop Saw Sheesho and all the people of the diocese, that their faith may be strong to support them in troubled times.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick: Fr John Chynchen, David Fryers, Robin Masefield, Mandy and Mick Wheatley, Annabella Janssen, Ma Sau Yuen, Chris Maden, Daisy Tai, Dan Severson, Fung Wan Nui, Melville Boase, Donna Willis, Esther Tse, Cheung Chik Wan, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Joseph Chu, Eva Sorrel, Rozana Leung-Bishop, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Irena Wu, Hsu Hon Chung, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Teresa Ray Li, Jane Pang Tong, Alan Irvine, Wanda Wan H, Chew Tung Yim Fong, Sabrina Ho, Keith So, Li Chunjuan, Kitty Wong, Arturo Lamshing, Caitlin Berry, Lucita Villareal, Raymond Yuen, Sarah Wong, Wanda Clay, Sister Jean Mary, Esther Bangcawayan, Sanson Lau, Donna Kantor and Chuan Xiaokang.

Please pray for the recently departed: Wong Lai Wah

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

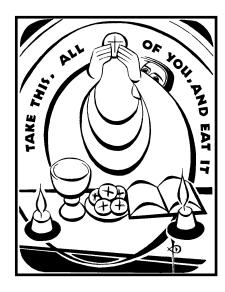
PRAYERS FOR PEACE

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.

A PRAYER FOR CORPUS CHRISTI

- Anglican Church in New Zealand Prayer Book

Praise and glory to you creator Spirit of God; you make our bread Christ's body to heal and reconcile and to make us the body of Christ. You make our wine Christ's blood to redeem the world. You come like the wind of heaven, unseen, unbidden. Like the dawn you illuminate the world around us; you grant us a new beginning every day. In this sacrament you warm and comfort us. You give us courage and strength beyond our every day resources. Be with us Holy Spirit in all we say or think, in all we do this and every day. Amen.



GUEST CHOIR AT 11.45AM SERVICE

A very warm welcome to the choir from the British School in Tokyo, who is currently on a music tour to Hong Kong and Macao this week. Led by their Director of Music, Mr Simon Beston, the group has 29 singers and they will be singing the anthem at the 11.45am Service today.

SUNDAY MORNING TRAFFIC ADVISORY

It has been observed that there is an increase in vehicular congestion on Sunday mornings, which poses a potential risk to our pedestrian community.

In an effort to mitigate this concern, we kindly encourage our church members who typically drive to the Cathedral on Sunday mornings to please utilise the nearby public parking facilities, such as those available at Citibank Plaza, Cheung Kong Centre, and Murray Building.

We appreciate your understanding and cooperation in this matter as we work to maintain a safe and accessible environment for all.

REFRESHMENTS in the Harold Smyth Room after 9.00am service

Please note the change of venue for morning coffee (for this Sunday only) after the 9.00am service. Please join us!

THE TENTH GENERAL SYNOD OF HONG KONG SHENG KUNG HUI

The Tenth General Synod of the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui is being held from 21st to 25th June 2025 at St Andrew's Church. The theme is 'Perfecting the saints, for the work of the ministry'. Please pray for the meeting of the Tenth General Synod.

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM FRAUDSTERS

Safeguarding your personal information and property is crucial. Never share sensitive details without verifying identities, and monitor your accounts regularly for unusual activity. Keep financial information private and limit what you share online. Always verify the identity of strangers before disclosing any personal data, and stay informed about fraud prevention. If you encounter suspicious activity, report it to the authorities immediately.

ENGLISH SPEAKING EfM IS RECRUITING

Education for Ministry, EfM, is a four-year mentored self learning course on the Bible, Church history and various topics on Christian beliefs, Christian living and how Christians perceive and interact with the world.

The course is divided into four units, each lasting for a year. The group of participants meet with the mentor each week at St John's Cathedral to share what they understand from the reading assignment and to share one another's thoughts. The only qualification required is an ability to read with discernment. Each enrolment is for one year and the fee is \$2,500.

A course for year one, year two and year three studies of the programme is starting in September 2025. Vacancies are limited. Those interested are welcomed to contact the mentor, Tony Poon at email ksapoon@gmail.com for further details.

A SHORT COURSE ON THE BIBLE

led by the Revd Will Newman

on Wednesday evenings, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th July from 7.00-8.30pm in the Conference Room

3 weeks on the Old Testament, then 1 week on the gospels. We'll look at the main themes, and how the bible fits together. For registration, please email Elisa at deanssec@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

PETERTIDE ORDINATIONS 2025

The Sunday nearest to the Feast of St Peter & St Paul (29thJune) is traditionally a time for ordinations in the Anglican Communion. This year two previous seminarians who spent a pastoral placement here at St John's will be ordained in the UK and Taiwan.

Please pray for **Kenson Cosmo Joseph Li** who will be ordained deacon by the Bishop of Manchester on 29th June 2025, and for **Claire Chia-Lin Wang** who will be ordained priest by the Bishop of Taiwan on 30th June 2025.



God our Father, Lord of all the world, through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your holy Catholic Church:
hear our prayer for your faithful people that in their vocation and ministry each may be an instrument of your love, and give to your servants now to be ordained, to the diaconate and priesthood, the needful gifts of grace; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.



Bishop's Bible Study Series 2025 'Holistic Stewardship'

After the Bishop's Bible Study Series last year for the study of discipleship and church growth, Bishop Matthias Der would lead a new Bible Study Series in 2025 to study 'Stewardship' and invite all the faithful of the Diocese of Hong Kong Island to join it. The Bible Study will be conducted in Cantonese. Details of the four meetings are as follows:

19th June, 17th July, 18th September and 16th October (Thursdays) Date:

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: St Stephen's Church (In-person meeting)

71 Bonham Road, Hong Kong

Theme:

1st Session: 19th June

Who is in charge? How to live a worry-free life?

<u>2nd Session: 17th July</u> The Good stewards & Bad stewards in Jesus' eyes

3rd Session: 18th September

I was born to be useful – Personal, family and church's responsibilities as stewards

4th Session: 16th October

The world is my home – Responsibilities for the society, the world and God's creation as stewards

Leader: The Rt Revd Dr Matthias Der

Deadline for enrolment: Three days before each meeting

Enrolment:

Please visit the Diocesan Website or scan the QR Code below for submitting the Google Form; or call up the Diocesan Office via your respective parish or mission church for enrolment.

Participants may enrol for individual sessions or all four sessions.

For enquiries, please contact Ms Chiu of the Diocesan Office at 2526 5366



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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

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Mr Jason Wong

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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

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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