



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.'*

ST PETER AND ST PAUL 29TH JUNE 2025

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Reader: Daniel Kong

9.00am Sung Eucharist (<https://youtube.com/live/BZ24Aem3Qr8>) (Eucharistic Prayer E)

Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon
Preacher: The Revd Prof Philip Wickeri
Deacon: The Dean
Communion Setting: Festive Eucharist (Noel Rawsthorne)
Hymns: 290 (T.549), 231, 229 (omit *), 481
Anthem: Tu es Petrus (Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina)
Readers: Gordon Jones, Eunice Tuma-ac
Intercessor: Douglas Lam
Voluntary: Tu es petra from Equisses Byzantines
(Henri Mulet)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Reader: Theodore Lau
Intercessor: Douglas Lam

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Evening Prayer in Taizé style

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Drew Courtright
Reader: William Cheng

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 30th June	8.00am 12.25pm 1.00pm	Said Eucharist <i>Meditation Group</i> One o'clock Prayer
TUE 1st July (Public Holiday)	9.00am	Said Eucharist
WED 2nd	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Lunchtime Recital—Seraphic / 熾翼天音</i> <i>with Jessica Ng (Soprano) & Company</i> Said Eucharist
THU 3rd Thomas The Apostle	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist <i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
FRI 4th	8.00am 1.00pm 3.00pm 8.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Friday Fellowship Group</i> (No meetings in July and August) <i>'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)</i>
SAT 5th	8.30am 12.00noon 4.00pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (<i>Pilipino</i>) <i>Andrew Fellowship</i> Sung Eucharist (<i>Cantonese</i>) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 6th July <i>Isaiah 66.10-14</i> <i>Psalms 66.1-8</i> <i>Galatians 6.7-16</i> <i>Luke 10.1-11, 16-20</i>	The Third Sunday after Trinity 8.00am 9.00am 10.30am 11.45am 1.30pm 5.00pm	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis Sung Eucharist (<i>Pilipino</i>) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis Choral Evensong 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

Almighty God, whose blessed apostles Peter and Paul glorified you in their death as in their life: grant that your Church, inspired by their teaching and example, and made one by your Spirit, may ever stand firm upon the one foundation, 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**Acts 12.1-11**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

About that time King Herod laid violent hands upon some who belonged to the church. He had James, the brother of John, killed with the sword. After he saw that it pleased the Jews, he proceeded to arrest Peter also. (This was during the festival of Unleavened Bread.) When he had seized him, he put him in prison and handed him over to four squads of soldiers to guard him, intending to bring him out to the people after the Passover. While Peter was kept in prison, the church prayed fervently to God for him.

The very night before Herod was going to bring him out, Peter, bound with two chains, was sleeping between two soldiers, while guards in front of the door were keeping watch over the prison. Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him, saying, 'Get up quickly.' And the chains fell off his wrists. The angel said to him, 'Fasten your belt and put on your sandals.' He did so. Then he said to him, 'Wrap your cloak around you and follow me.' Peter went out and followed him; he did not realize that what was happening with the angel's help was real; he thought he was seeing a vision. After they had passed the first and the second guard, they came before the iron gate leading into the city. It opened for them of its own accord, and they went outside and walked along a lane, when suddenly the angel left him. Then Peter came to himself and said, 'Now I am

sure that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from the hands of Herod and from all that the Jewish people were expecting.'

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

SECOND READING**2 Timothy 4.6-8, 17-18**

A reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy.

As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

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

GOSPEL READING**Matthew 16.13-19**

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

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not

revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma).

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 all the celebrating activities of the 90th anniversary of **St Peter's Church Castle Peak**; for the cooperation of church, schools and social service units in implementing gospel ministry.

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. 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, Chris Maden, Fung Wan Nui, Mandy and Mick Wheatley, Annabella Janssen, Ma Sau Yuen, Daisy Tai, Dan Severson, Cheung Chik Wan, Fung Wan Nui, Melville Boase, Donna Willis, Esther Tse, Joseph Chu, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Eva Sorrel, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Rozana Leung-Bishop, 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, Steven Khoo, Sister Jean Mary, Esther Bangcawayan, Sanson Lau, Donna Kantor and Chuan Xiaokang.

Please pray for the recently departed: Wong Ng Chun-yum, Robin Masefield, Wong Lai Wah, Fred Fung Kai-hei and David Fryers.

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.

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.

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.

POVERTY ALLEVIATION

The Poverty Alleviation Programme invites volunteers to help out on an event at St John's Cathedral with underprivileged children from St Christopher's Home. Enjoy a day with the children through making Origami Bunnies, a treasure hunt at the Cathedral, culminating in a delightful lunch.

Date: 5th July 2025 (Sat)
Time: 10.30am - 1.00pm
Venue: St John's Cathedral and Li Hall

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



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Venue: Harold Smyth Room
Time: 9.00—9.55am

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| <i>Sun 6th Jul</i> | Art & Craft —By engaging works of art, we can experience a sense of comfort and peace, a spiritual gift from God. |
| <i>Sun 13th Jul</i> | Thanks & Praise —Experience the joy of hymn singing! We will explore together a number of hymns and sing a few tunes. Let's engage in heartfelt praise to God and have great joy! |
| <i>Sun 20th Jul</i> | Hand Copying Scripture —Writing out Scripture passage by hand is a great practice. It helps us to draw closer to God and connect with Jesus. |
| <i>Sun 27th Jul</i> | Kids' Sports —Let's keep the SS fun going and play! |
| <i>Sun 3rd Aug</i> | Bible Plays —Through interactive adventures and imaginative role playing, it is a fun way to engage children with the Bible stories and characters. |
| <i>Sun 10th Aug</i> | Kids' Games —Playing games is good for kids. It enables them to make connection and understand what is seen, heard and experienced. |

A SHORT COURSE ON THE BIBLE

led by the Revd Will Newman

on Wednesday evenings, from 7.00-8.30pm in the Conference Room

JULY

9th In the Beginning: Creation, Covenant and the Law

16th Triumph to Disaster! The Rise and Fall of the Kingdom of Israel

23rd A New Covenant: Exile, Prophecy and Wisdom

30th Matthew, Mark, Luke and John: 4 Authors, 1 Subject

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 (29th June)
is traditionally a time for ordinations in the Anglican Communion.
This year three previous seminarians who spent a pastoral placement here
at St John's will be ordained in the UK and Taiwan.

Please pray for **James Hall**
who will be ordained priest by the Bishop of Bath and Wells on 28th June 2025,
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.*





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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:

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

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?

2nd Session: 17th July

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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ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

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 Officer:

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

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.

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