



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 FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (SEA SUNDAY) 13TH JULY 2025

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
Reader: Michael Gibb

9.00am Responsorial Eucharist—CW

(<https://youtube.com/live/43OlUYhkvIs>)
(Eucharistic Prayer E)

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Preacher: The Revd Professor Philip Wickeri
Deacon: The Revd Amos Poon
Communion Setting: Mass of Christ the Saviour (Dan Schutte)
Hymns: 457, 505, 618, I, the Lord of sea and sky
Anthem: My boat of Life (Toga P.L. Rajagukguk)
Readers: Patricia Hon, Douglas Lam
Intercessor: Kevin She
Voluntary: Fingal's Cave (Felix Mendelssohn)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

11.45am Choral Mattins

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
Reader: Gareth Williams

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Healing Eucharist

Celebrant: The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Hymns: 484, 502, 488, 594
Reader: Amos Chow

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 14th July	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.25pm	<i>Meditation Group</i>
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
TUE 15th	9.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>
WED 16th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—Interwoven Voices: Moszkowski, Bériot, and Shostakovich in Concert</i>
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 17th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
FRI 18th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	3.00pm	<i>Friday Fellowship Group</i> (No meetings in July and August)
	8.00pm	<i>'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)</i>
SAT 19th <i>Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa, and his sister Macrina, Deaconess, Teachers. C.394 and c. 379</i>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (<i>Pilipino</i>)
	4.00pm	<i>Andrew Fellowship</i>
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (<i>Cantonese</i>) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 20th July The Fifth Sunday after Trinity		
<i>Genesis 18.1-10a</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
<i>Psalms 15</i>		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
<i>Colossians 1.15-28</i>	9.00am	Sung Eucharist
<i>Luke 10.38-end</i>		Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
		Preacher: The Most Revd Cyril Ben Smith
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (<i>Mandarin</i>)
		Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon
		Preacher: Amos Chow
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (<i>Pilipino</i>)
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	5.00pm	Choral Evensong
		Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman

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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 God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING**Deuteronomy 30.9-14**

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

Moses spoke to the people, saying, the LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING**Colossians 1.1-14**

A reading from letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 10.25-37

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

A lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.' But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, comfort of the afflicted and healer of the broken, you have fed us at the table of life and hope: teach us the ways of gentleness and peace, that all the world may acknowledge the kingdom of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Church of North India (United).

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 Mission to Seafarers, the Revd Canon Stephen Miller, the Revd Lee Kim Kee and all members of the chaplaincy team ministering to seafarers in Hong Kong; for the development of the new Mariners' Club in Tsim Sha Tsui to be completed in August 2025; for people working for the Mission to Seafarers in the Kwai Chung container terminals and anchorage, and the Tsim Sha Tsui East temporary Drop-in-Centre; for all seafarers away from their families at this time, for those sailing through storm or high seas; we pray for God to keep them safe until they return to their loved ones.

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. Give thanks for the completion of the recent Humanitarian Assistance Project, which has delivered rice to 3250 refugees from the continuing conflict, provided training for 60 healthcare workers to work among the refugees, with medical kits and medicines, and renovated preschool and primary school buildings so that refugee students can attend school.

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, Lucita Villareal, Esther

Bangcawayan, Sanson Lau, Donna Kantor and Chuan Xiaokang.

Please pray for the recently departed:
Lai Yue Wing, S O Chin

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.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Venue: Harold Smyth Room

Time: 9.00—9.55am

- Sun 13th Jul* **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!
- Sun 20th Jul* **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.
- Sun 27th Jul* **Kids' Sports**—Let's keep the SS fun going and play!
- Sun 3rd Aug* **Bible Plays**—Through interactive adventures and imaginative role playing, it is a fun way to engage children with the Bible stories and characters.
- Sun 10th Aug* **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 Harold Smyth 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

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Sharing & Thanksgiving Tea Gathering of the Diocesan Gospel Rally

The Diocesan Gospel Rally 'Where to Go?' was successfully held on 17th May with more than 850 participants and 67 people being converted or reconfirmed their faith. To continue the flame of spreading the gospel, Bishop Matthias Der of the Diocese of Hong Kong Island would like to invite all participants of the Gospel Rally, including organizing committee members, helpers, companions, the one who invited people to the Gospel Rally, the newly converted and the re-converted to share and encourage one another so that the flame continue to glow after the Gospel Rally, and keep pray for the missionary work.

Theme: 'Fan into Flame'

Date: 26th July 2025 (Saturday)

Time: 2.30-4.00pm

Venue: Li Hall, St John's Cathedral

Programme: Tea Reception
Thanksgiving and Prayer
Sharing by Bishop and participants

Enrolment: Please scan the QR Code for online application.

Deadline for enrolment: 21st July 2025



All brothers and sisters in Christ are welcome to join this event.
Enquiries: 2526 5366 (Ms Chiu, Diocesan Office)



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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

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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

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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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