



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 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY (OUTREACH SUNDAY) 22ND SEPTEMBER 2024

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean
Reader: Letty Awingan

9.00am Sung Eucharist (<https://youtube.com/live/Lttfp9AeQvg>)

Celebrant: The Dean
Sharing: Outreach Ministries
Deacon: The Revd Amos Poon
Communion Setting: Communion Service (John Rutter)
Hymns: 487, 558, 618 (omit*), 575
Anthem: Beati quorum via (Charles Villiers Stanford)
Voluntary: Toccata IX (Georg Muffat)
Readers: Marina Lau, Alexander Kwan
Intercessor: Kevin She

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
Sharing: Outreach Ministries

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Sharing: Outreach Ministries
Reader: Koon-G Chiu
Intercessor: Saki Tsoi

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Sharing: Outreach Ministries

5.00pm Evening Prayer in Taizé style

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong
Reader: Zenaida Carias

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 23rd September	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.25pm	<i>Meditation Group</i>
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
TUE 24th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>
WED 25th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—'Blessings' The Baptist Convention of Hong Kong—The Sunshine Chorus</i>
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 26th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.30pm	'Grace in a Busy Week'
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
	8.30pm	<i>Prayers for Peace (ZOOM)</i>
FRI 27th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	3.00pm	<i>Friday Fellowship Group (in person/ZOOM)</i>
	8.00pm	<i>'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)</i>
SAT 28th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Pilipino)
	4.00pm	<i>Andrew Fellowship</i>
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (<i>Cantonese</i>)(Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 29th September <i>Genesis 28.10-17</i> <i>Psalms 103.19-end</i> <i>Hebrews 1.5-end</i> <i>John 1.47-end</i>	St Michael and All Angels	
	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	9.00am	Sung Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Pilipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	5.00pm	Celtic Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

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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, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through 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
Wisdom of Solomon
1.16-2.1, 12-22

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

The ungodly by their words and deeds summoned death; considering him a friend, they pined away and made a covenant with him, because they are fit to belong to his company. For they reasoned unsoundly, saying to themselves, 'Short and sorrowful is our life, and there is no remedy when a life comes to its end, and no one has been known to return from Hades.

'Let us lie in wait for the righteous man, because he is inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; he reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training. He professes to have knowledge of God, and calls himself a child of the Lord. He became to us a reproof of our thoughts; the very sight of him is a burden to us, because his manner of life is unlike that of others, and his ways are strange. We are considered by him as something base, and he avoids our ways as unclean; he calls the last end of the righteous happy, and boasts that God is his father. Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life; for if the righteous man is God's child, he will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries. Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance. Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according

to what he says, he will be protected.' Thus they reasoned, but they were led astray, for their wickedness blinded them, and they did not know the secret purposes of God, nor hoped for the wages of holiness, nor discerned the prize for blameless souls.

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

SECOND READING
James 3.13-4.3, 7-8a

A reading from the letter of James.

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

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

GOSPEL READING

Mark 9.30-37

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord, we pray that your grace may and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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**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 St Matthew's Church**, for the Revd Leung Ka Jor; for the parish's development; for her nurture and evangelism ministries; for the spiritual growth and stewardship of the parishioners; for vestry members, members of all committees and departments and all parishioners; may God guide their evangelistic and pastoral caring work in Sheung Wan; for the ministries of women, elderly and youth, Sunday School, Children's Choir and the development of a nurture ministry for parents; for SKH St Matthew's Primary School, St Matthew's Church Kindergarten, and St Matthew's elderly Centre

**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.

**Prayers for SJC Pilgrimage**

Tonight 31 members of St John's Cathedral will fly to Turkey with the Revd Will Newman for a Pilgrimage to the Seven Churches of Asia, in the Book of Revelation. Please pray for the pilgrims as they visit these ancient holy places in the coming 10 days.

**We pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar.** Much of the city of Toungoo, including the cathedral, is under water from the terrible flooding following the recent typhoon and heavy rain. 250 parishioners whose homes are flooded have taken refuge in the Diocesan Compound which is just above the flood level. Please pray for Bishop Sheesho as he works tirelessly for his people through this time of suffering. If you would like to make a donation, please pass it to the cathedral office with a note for Toungoo.



### **St John's Cathedral 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

The Dean and the Chapter would like to extend our heartfelt thanks for all the prayers, greetings and generous donations for our 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. After a successful celebration we have sent a thanksgiving donation of HKD175,000 to the Diocese of Hong Kong Island.

We would like to express our deepest thanks to all Cathedral staff members and volunteers who contributed to the successful organization of the Thanksgiving Service and Gala Dinner. In particular, we would like to thank all those unsung heroes who have worked so hard behind the scenes. May God bless you all.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS**

*Please pray for those who are sick:*

Alan Irvine, Fung Wan Nui, Irena Wu, Toung Ming, Marylou Davis, Rosendo Burgos, Eva Sorrel, Arturo Lamshing, Lucita Villareal, Raymond Yuen, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Dr Verner Bickley, Jane Pang Tong, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Sister Jean Mary, Annabella Janssen, Sanson Lau, Fr Hugh Phillipson, Daisy Tai, Dr Verner Bickley, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Hsu Hon Chung, Muriel Tsang, Joseph Chu, Chuan Xiaokang, Wong Dor Chun, Lam Sau Ying, Sarah Wong, Wanda Wan H, and Claire Gotten.

*Please pray for the recently departed:*

Benjamin Wong, Eileen Booth, Tonya Porter, Peggy Fong, Evangeline Dayao, Tsoi Chow Sik Tung and John Stuart Farley.

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

### **MICHAELMAS ORDINATION**

Please pray for all to be ordained at this time, especially The Revd Michael Yu-ho Chan to be ordained to the Sacred Order of Priesthood by the Rt Revd Timothy Kwok at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Diocese of Eastern Kowloon on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 5.00pm. Please pray for Fr Michael as he starts his new chapter in his pastoral ministry.

### **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.

### **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.

## NOTICES

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### POVERTY ALLEVIATION

#### **Volunteer Recruitment for English Tutoring for Underprivileged Children**

There is a significant demand for English tutors for underprivileged children in primary schools in Kwai Hing district. St John's Cathedral's outreach has been collaborating with S.K.H. The Crown of Thorns Church to help these children to improve their English language skill.

The outreach team is currently recruiting addition volunteers for the second season of this ministry, specifically:

- We aim to recruit 10 more volunteers to teach practical/conversational English to children in Primary years 1 to 4
- The class period for the second season will run from 12<sup>th</sup> Oct to 14<sup>th</sup> Dec.
- Volunteers are not required to be available for all classes during this period
- Classes will take place at S.K.H. The Crown of Thorns Church on Saturday afternoons from 1.00-2.30pm
- The outreach team will provide a carpool service between HK island and The Crown of Thorns Church on Saturdays



If you are interested in participating in this initiative, please enrol using the QR code. For any questions, feel free to contact Caius Ng through the Cathedral Office at 2523 4157.



### **DONATIONS for MICHAELMAS FAIR**

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**BOOKSTALL** — Please take a good look at your bookshelves, pull out those volumes you will not look at again and donate them to our **Second Hand Bookstall**. The Stall is a significant source of income to the Fair and its charities and its success depends on the books you donate. We also invite you to give us CDs and DVDs which you don't want any more. *We regret that we cannot take VCDs or magazines. They don't sell!*

**WHITE ELEPHANT STALL** — Still wondering what to do with the vase you bought at a weak moment? Let us find it a new owner who will love and cherish it. All kinds of items will be gladly received; electronics, paintings, household items, jewelry, home accessories, bric a brac, as long as they are resalable.

**STAMP STALL** — New or used stamps, First Day covers, other philatelic material, used old bank notes and old coins are also welcome. (Please mark your contributions 'FOR ALEXANDER KWAN')

**WINE & BEER GARDEN** — Our popular Wine Garden is appealing for wine for serving on the day of the Fair. Please go through your private cellars and donate bottles of red and white! All bottles to be delivered to the Cathedral Office marked clearly 'For Michaelmas Fair Wine Garden'.

*Please bring your donations to the Cathedral office (2523 4157)  
clearly marked for the Michaelmas Fair  
(Mon-Fri) 9.00am – 5.00pm; (Sat) 9.00am – 12.00noon*

## NOTICES

*How do we live out our Christian understanding in our work place  
and experience Christ in our busyness?*

### ‘Grace in a Busy Week’

*Bible Study Group*

*Welcome to join our Bible study group in the Upper Room  
hosted by the Revd Robert Martin.*

**Date: Thursday every fortnight**  
**Time: 12.30—1.30pm**

Bring your own lunch & your sense of curiosity  
All are welcome, sign up with Fr Robert at [rpm@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:rpm@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)  
Conducted in English, maximum 15 participants



## ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

*PUBLIC  
LECTURES*

# APOCALYPSE NOW?

CRISIS, CATASTROPHE  
AND CHRISTIAN HOPE *by Professor  
Martyn Percy*

**The Series of Public Lectures  
by The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy**

Date & Time

Every Tuesday at  
7.30pm in October,  
starting from the 8<sup>th</sup>  
(8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> October)

Venue

Li Hall  
at St John's Cathedral,  
4-8 Garden Road, Central

Topics

1. The End of the World as We Know It (TEOTWAWKI)
2. A Plague on All Your Houses
3. The Angel of Death
4. Gloom, Doom, Prophecies—and Christian Hope



*To register, please contact the Cathedral Office at 2523 4157. Admission is free.*

# 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 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](http://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

## 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:* \_\_\_\_\_

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