

### 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 BEFORE LENT 9TH FEBRUARY 2025

#### 8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman

Reader: Michael Gibb

#### 9.00am Responsorial Eucharist

(https://youtube.com/live/72lHzI50Dlc)

Celebrant: The Dean

Preacher: The Revd Canon Prof Martyn Percy Deacon: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

Communion Setting: Mass of Christ the Saviour (Dan Schutte)

Hymns: 500, 264, 433 (omit \*), I, the Lord of sea and sky

Anthem: The Call (Ralph Vaughan Williams)

Voluntary: Chacony in G minor, Z. 730 (Henry Purcell,

arranged for organ by Jonathan Yip)

Readers: Thomas Swain, Marina Lau

Intercessor: Theodore Lau

#### 10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

#### 11.45am Choral Mattins

Officiant and Preacher: The Dean

Reader: Gareth Williams

#### 1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis Preacher: The Revd Angeline dela Torre

#### 5.00pm Healing Eucharist

Celebrant: The Dean

Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

Hymns: 264, 456 (omit \*), I, the Lord of sea and sky, 591

Reader: Saki Tsoi Intercessor: Douglas Lam

#### THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 10th February	8.ooam	Said Eucharist
Scolastica, sister of	12.25pm	Meditation Group
Benedict, Abbess of	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
Plombariola, c.543	1.15pm	Organ Recital—Kevin Duggan, Organist, Dunblane Cathedral (Scotland)
TUE 11th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	7.00pm	Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)
WED 12th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Lunchtime Recital—Winter Concert 'Peace' with HSBC Choir
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 13th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	Parents and Toddlers
	8.30pm	Prayers for Peace (ZOOM)
FRI 14th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
Cyril and Methodius,	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
Missionaries to the	3.00pm	Friday Fellowship Group (in person/ZOOM)
Slavs, 869 and 885	8.00pm	'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)
SAT 15th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Filipino)
	4.00pm	Andrew Fellowship
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 16th February	The Third	Sunday before Lent
Jeremiah 17.5-10	8.00am	Said Eucharist
Psalm 1		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin
1 Corinthians 15.12-20	9.00am	Sung Eucharist
Luke 6.17-26		Celebrant: The Dean
		Preacher: The Revd Prof Philip Wickeri
	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
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	5.00pm	Choral Evensong (followed by Curry Supper)
		Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Drew Courtright

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, you know us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright: grant to us such strength and protection as may support us in all dangers and carry us through all temptations; 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 Isaiah 6.1-8

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: 'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.' The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: 'Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!'

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: 'Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.' Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I; send me!'

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

#### SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15.1-11

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

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to someone untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace towards me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

#### GOSPEL READING Luke 5.1-11

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

While Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to

put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, 'Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch.' Simon answered, 'Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets. When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. So they signalled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, 'Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!' For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.' When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.

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

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Go before us, Lord, in all we do with your most gracious favour, and guide us with your continual help, that in all our works begun, continued and ended in you, we may glorify your holy name, and finally by your mercy receive everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of Australia.

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui (Anglican Province of Hong Kong & Macau); for the Most Revd Andrew Chan, our Archbishop and primate; forour 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 Timothy's **Church**, for the Revd Lorraine Choi, the staff, and the congregation, may the Holy Spirit inspires the heart of the congregation to study the word of God. May God leads them to have spiritual growth and the parishioners have passion to share the Gospel with their talents. Pray for a close relationship with different cooperated units, including SKH Lui Ming Choi Secondary School, SKH Chi Fu Chi Nam Primary School, SKH Tin Wan Chi Nam Primary School, St Paul's College Primary School, YWCA Cheng Pon Hing Care & Attention Home for the Elderly, Hong Kong Christian Service Wah Hong Home for the Elderly, Lei Tung Estate Healthy Life Elderly Home and SKH 'Ming Choi Hui' Academy. Pray for the elderly in the community, pray for parent's groups, the Sunday School and nurturement classes.

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, where the diocese is providing food, shelter, medicine, and basic education for several thousand villagers displaced by the civil war. We give thanks for the funds donated in our Advent Appeal for Toungoo, and we pray for Bishop Saw Sheesho and all the people of the diocese as they serve those in great need.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick: Cheung Chik Wan, Teresa Wong Yau Sut, Ray Li, Keith So, Stella Ko Lau, Chew Tung Yim Fong, Sabrina Ho, Lee Kit Ching Joseph, Fung Wan Nui, Alan Irvine, Toung Ming, Irena Wu, Joseph Chu, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Caitlin Berry, Sister Jean Mary, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Got Yuen Dick, Robin Rowley, Sanson Lau, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Arturo Lamshing, Dr Verner Bickley, Wanda Clay, Jane Pang Tong, Hsu Hon Chung, Wanda Wan H, Jerry Gleicher, Lucita Villareal, Eva Sorrel, Chuan Xiaokang, Sarah Wong, Annabella Janssen, Daisy Tai, Raymond Yuen and Kitty Wong.

Please pray for the recently departed: Wong Dor Chun, Lee Clubb, Rachel Sih and Jeff LK Chu

The funeral service of Orville Leverne Clubb (Lee) will be held at St John's on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30am. All are welcome to join.

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

#### REFRESHMENTS

#### in the Li Hall after 9.00am service

Please join us for light refreshments; a good opportunity to renew acquaint-ances, welcome visitors and new friends while enjoying fellowship with other parishioners.

#### **EVENSONG & CURRY!**

Sunday 16th February 2025

5.00pm Choral Evensong followed by Curry Supper.

Please join us after the service for an informal time of fellowship in the Harold Smyth Room hosted by the Cathedral clergy.

#### PRAYERS FOR PEACE

For almost 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 give thanks for the cease fire in Gaza, and 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.

#### SUPPORT OUR MFMW CHARITY RUNNERS!

We are thrilled to share with you that the MFMW has been chosen as one of the Charity Partners for the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon 2025!

28 MFMW Runners, including six who are migrant domestic workers in HK and four from the Youth Ministry of the St John's Cathedral will run in the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon on 9 February.

Sponsor our Runners to raise awareness and funds for a great cause!

Your generous support can make a significant difference in the lives of migrant domestic workers by providing them with opportunities to engage in leisure and sports activities that enhance their physical and mental well-being.

Meet MFMW Charity Runners:



Make a donation:



# ST STEPHEN'S CHAPEL DIAMOND JUBILEE





Come join us to celebrate St Stephen's 75th Anniversary (1950-2025)!

February 22, 2025, St Stephen's Chapel Stanley

\*5:00 pm Thanksgiving Eucharist

(Please be seated by 4:45 pm)

Celebrant: Bishop Matthias Der

Preacher: Archbishop Emeritus Paul Kwong

\*6:30 pm Celebratory dinner under the stars in chapel grounds \* Dinner sold out \*

ONLINE DONATION



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#### **NOTICE**

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

17<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (Saturday) Date:

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

Venue: S.K.H. Tang Shiu Kin Secondary School

(9 Oi Kwan Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong)

Theme: Go Where?

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

(John 10:10b)

Hymn sharing, sand-painting testimonies, preaching Content:

Speaker: The Most Revd Datuk NG Moon Hing

(The 5th Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia)

S.K.H. parishioners are invited to bring non-Christian relatives Audience:

and friends to attend.

Cantonese (\*Simultaneous interpretation available in English and Putonghua respectively) Language:

Free of charge (Tickets are required for admission. Details to be Fee:

announced later.)

QR code for promotional video clip:



#### **Cycle of Prayer**

Let us pray for HKSKH Diocese of Hong Kong Island Gospel Rally 2025

Sunday: Pray for the Most Revd Datuk NG Moon Hing, the speaker of the

Gospel Rally.

Pray for relatives and friends struggling in life, suffering from *Monday:* 

physical, mental and spiritual distress.

Pray for the willingness of parishioners in the diocese to share Tuesday:

their testimonies with non-Christian relatives and friends.

Wednesday: Pray for the zeal of parishioners in leading people to the Gospel

Rally.

Pray for the current or planned missionary work of each church in Thursday:

the diocese, and for the cooperation between each church and

school(s) or social service unit(s).

Pray for the clergy and those who will lead the Gospel Rally; Friday:

pray for the brothers and sisters in Christ who will participate in

various creative works.

Pray for the organizing committee members, working group Saturday:

members and volunteers in the Gospel Rally.

#### 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 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

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