



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 OF LENT (MOTHERING SUNDAY) 10TH MARCH 2024

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
Reader: Daniel Kong

9.00am Responsorial Eucharist (Common Worship)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D2K3fn8SgBc>

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Preacher and Deacon: The Revd Amos Poon
Communion Setting: Mass of Christ the Saviour (Dan Schutte)
Hymns: Lent Prose (verse 4), God of Eve and God of Mary,
Fathers and mothers, 282, Our Father God
In heaven
Anthem: Like a mother with her child (Pier Maxim)
Voluntary: O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß, xxiii,
Krebschoral (Aaron Andrew Hunt)
Readers: Denise Giles, Thomas Swain
Intercessor: Kevin She

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean

11.45am Choral Mattins

Officiant: The Revd Amos Poon
Preacher: The Dean
Reader: Michael Gibb


1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Filipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Healing Eucharist

Celebrant: The Revd Robert Martin
Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
Hymns: 427 (omit *), 522i, 432, 478
Reader: Saki Tsoi

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 11th March 2024	8.00am	Said Eucharist	
	12.25pm	<i>Meditation Group</i>	
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer	
	7.30pm	<i>Education for Ministry (EfM) English group</i>	
TUE 12th	8.00am	Said Eucharist	
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer	
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist	
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>	
	7.30pm	<i>Education for Ministry (EfM) Cantonese group</i>	
WED 13th	8.00am	Said Eucharist	
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer	
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—Cello and Piano Dialogue 'Boundless'</i>	
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist	
THU 14th	8.30am	Said Eucharist	
	12.30pm	'Grace in a busy week' (<i>in person/ZOOM</i>)	
	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 15th	8.00am	Said Eucharist	
		STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
		12.15pm on Fridays in Lent	
	3.00pm	<i>Friday Fellowship Group (in person/ZOOM)</i>	
	8.00pm	<i>'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)</i>	
SAT 16th	8.30am	Said Eucharist	
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (<i>Filipino</i>)	
	4.00pm	<i>Andrew Fellowship</i>	
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (<i>Cantonese</i>)(Anticipated Sunday Service)	
SUN 17th March <i>Jeremiah 31.31-34</i> <i>Psalms 51.1-13</i> <i>Hebrews 5.5-10</i> <i>John 12.20-33</i>		The Fifth Sunday of Lent	
	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis	
	9.00am	Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Dean Preacher: The Revd Professor John Kater	
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong	
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Revd Desmond Cox Preacher: The Revd Professor Philip Wickeri	
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre	
	5.00pm	Choral Evensong Officiant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Revd Will Newman	

*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 AND READINGS

COLLECT

God of compassion, whose Son Jesus Christ, the child of Mary, shared the life of a home in Nazareth, and on the cross drew the whole human family to himself: strengthen us in our daily living that in joy and in sorrow we may know the power of your presence to bind together and to heal; 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

1 Samuel 1.20-end

A reading from the first book of Samuel.

Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, 'I have asked him of the LORD.'

The man Elkanah and all his household went up to offer to the LORD the yearly sacrifice, and to pay his vow. But Hannah did not go up, for she said to her husband, 'As soon as the child is weaned, I will bring him, that he may appear in the presence of the LORD, and remain there for ever; I will offer him as a nazirite for all time.' Her husband Elkanah said to her, 'Do what seems best to you, wait until you have weaned him; only—may the LORD establish his word.' So the woman remained and nursed her son, until she weaned him. When she had weaned him, she took him up with her, along with a three-year-old bull, an ephah of flour, and a skin of wine. She brought him to the house of the LORD at Shiloh; and the child was young. Then they slaughtered the bull, and they brought the child to Eli. And she said, 'Oh, my lord! As you live, my lord, I am the woman who was standing here in your presence, praying to the LORD. For this child I prayed; and the LORD has granted me the petition that I made to him. Therefore I have lent him to

the LORD; as long as he lives, he is given to the LORD.' She left him there for the LORD.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 1.3-7

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

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and the God of all consolation, who consoles us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to console those who are in any affliction with the consolation with which we ourselves are consoled by God. For just as the sufferings of Christ are abundant for us, so also our consolation is abundant through Christ. If we are being afflicted, it is for your consolation and salvation; if we are being consoled, it is for your consolation, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we are also suffering. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our consolation.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

John 19.25b-27

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Standing near the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing beside her, he said to his mother, 'Woman, here is your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Here is your mother.' And from that hour the disciple took her into his own home.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, as a mother feeds her children at the breast you feed us in this sacrament with the food and drink of eternal life: help us who have tasted your goodness to grow in grace within the household of faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Episcopal Church.

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 Church of The Incarnation, for the Revd Samuel Tang, the Mission Church Council Members and the congregation; for their evangelistic ministry, Sunday School and Choir; for the collaboration of Church and School, especially for the SKH Wei Lun Primary School; for the Discovery Bay Church, the Revd Mark Rogers, the Revd Sok-han Yong and the ministries of the church.

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. In recent days one church has been burnt down by the military, and in another parish Christian villagers have been attacked and brutally killed. The diocese is now providing basic food and shelter to over 3000 refugees.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Ben Cheng, Chu Lai Man, Donna Willis, Julius Yam, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Eva Sorrel, Muriel Tsang, Gareth Butler, Fr Hugh Phillipson, Sarah Wong, Claire Gotten, Irena Wu, Jane Pang Tong, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Wong Dor Chun, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Annabella Janssen, Sister Jean Mary, Toung Ming, Arturo Lamshing, Sanson Lau, Chuan Xiaokang, Daisy Tai, Yvonne Fong, So Luen Kwai Sophia and Hsu Hon Chung.

Please pray for the recently departed: Michael Hahn, Shaun Kelly, Tong Hing Fong Teresa, and Leung So Chee Jenny.

In Memoriam: Chew Ming Teck a.k.a. Chou Yi Tong (12th March 2012)

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

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 Fr Mark on 5180 5106 for the Zoom link.

ONLINE DONATION



<https://www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk/Donation/default.aspx?lang=1>



Sunday 24th March 2024

8.00am Said Eucharist



Palm Procession and Solemn Eucharist

The English and Mandarin congregations will combine for a joint service at

9.30am

Please gather around the Celtic Cross with palm branches/crosses.



11.45am Responsorial Eucharist



1.30pm Liturgy of the Palms & Sung Eucharist (*Filipino*)



Palm Sunday Vespers with St John Passion

sung by St John's Cathedral Choir, together with Die Konzertisten, renowned soloists, and baroque orchestra.

7.30pm

PLEASE JOIN US.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER

25th March—Monday in HW

8.00am Said Eucharist
6.00pm Stations of the Cross and Said Eucharist

26th March—Tuesday in HW

8.00am Said Eucharist
1.15pm Said Eucharist
6.00pm Stations of the Cross and Said Eucharist

27th March—Wednesday in HW

8.00am Said Eucharist
6.00pm Stations of the Cross and Said Eucharist

28th March—Maundy Thursday

9.30am Chrism Eucharist
8.00pm Solemn Eucharist *with the Washing of Feet and Watch until Midnight*

29th March (PH)—Good Friday

9.00am Sung Morning Prayer
10.30am Liturgy of the Day (Mandarin)
12noon 'The Way of the Cross' - Worship for All
1.30pm Liturgy of Good Friday

30th March (PH)—Holy Saturday

9.00am Sung Morning Prayer
8.00pm Easter Vigil & First Eucharist of the Resurrection

31st March—EASTER DAY

8.00am Said Eucharist
9.00am Sung Eucharist & Renewal of Baptismal Promises
10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)
11.45am Responsorial Eucharist
1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Filipino)
5.00pm Festal Evensong

SPRING CLEANING AT THE CATHEDRAL

A group of volunteers will do the Spring Cleaning at the Cathedral interior on 26th March (Tuesday), starting at 9.30am until completion, it will take approximately 2.5 hours. Should anyone who have interest to help, please call Thomas Li at the Cathedral office at Tel.: 25234157.

NOTICES

RADIO MINISTRY on RTHK4 FM97.6

After the Sunday News at 11.00am, there will be a special radio service for Mothering Sunday, produced by our studio here at St John's. The officiant and preacher is Fr Amos Poon. If you miss the broadcast, you may listen to the playback on RTHK website: <https://www.rthk.hk/radio/radio4/programme/churchservice?>

REFRESHMENTS in the Li Hall after 9.00am service

Today being Mothering Sunday, an array of cakes and cookies which have been blessed will be served in Li Hall. Please come to enjoy the fellowship and the delicious home made goodies.

Special thanks to Sunday School moms and Rita.

PALM SUNDAY VESPERS WITH BACH'S ST JOHN PASSION TICKET ALLOCATION

To mark the 300th anniversary of Bach's St John Passion, the work will be featured at this year's Palm Sunday Vespers, which will be held on the 24th March 2024 at 7.30pm, Fr Amos Poon will be the officiant and preacher. The Passion will be sung by St John's Cathedral Choir, together with local choir Die Konzertisten, renowned soloists, and baroque orchestra.

All tickets booked through the Palm Sunday Vespers online application have already been reserved for distribution. The Cathedral Office will contact successful applicants to collect tickets from the Cathedral Office between now and 18th March during office hours. Any uncollected tickets after Monday 18th March 2024 will be reallocated to other applicants.

Please note that:

1. Ticket holders will be admitted from 6.45pm through the North and South Transept Doors;
2. All ticket holders are requested to be seated by 7.15pm;
3. Any unoccupied seats will be released to non-ticket holders under the supervision of the sidesmen at 7.15pm.

We cannot guarantee the success of all applications.
All rights and decisions are reserved to St John's Cathedral.

CHRISTIANS IN CENTRAL on Tuesday 19th March at 1.00pm in the Li Hall

Fr Amos will speak to us on J S Bach's Oratorio, St John Passion. He will enhance our appreciation of this masterpiece and enlighten us with its musical and liturgical significance.

Sandwiches and refreshments will be served from 12.45pm

Tickets at \$60 are available at the Cathedral Bookstore.
Reservation can also be made through the Cathedral office on 2523 4157 or email Scarlett at reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

NOTICES

St John's Cathedral Annual Church Meeting

on Sunday 28th April 2024 at 1.00pm in the Li Hall

Please mark your calendar.



Diocese of Hong Kong Island, HKSKH **BISHOP'S BIBLE STUDY SERIES** **14th March, Thursday / 7.30pm**

Venue: St Stephen's Church (In-person meeting; Contact Tel: 2546-1212)
St Paul's Church (Simultaneous live stream; Contact Tel: 2521-0348)
St John's Cathedral (Simultaneous live stream and Interpretation in English;
Contact Tel: 2523-4157)
St Mary's Church (Simultaneous live stream; Contact Tel: 2576-1768)

Scripture: Acts of the Apostles

Leaders: The Rt Revd Dr Matthias Der, The Revd Tsui Yuk Fan,
The Revd Canon Dr Lam Chun Wai, The Revd Canon Ip Kam Fai

Contents: Witness Sharing, Bible Study, Group Prayers.
Bible study materials will be provided for the weekly bulletin before
each meeting for reference.

Deadline for enrollment: 3 days before each meeting.

Participants may enroll every time or quarterly (enroll for 3 sessions each time).

Enrollment method:

Please browse the Diocesan website or scan the QR code below and submit the
completed google form.

Scan for enrollment



*Scan for Bible Study
information*



For enquiries, please contact Ms Yeung of the Diocesan Office at Tel: 2526-5366

SJC BOOKSTORE

Due to repainting works of the Bookstore's interior, the Cathedral Bookstore will
be closed from 11th to 15th March 2024 (Mon-Fri). We apologies for any inconven-
ience caused. For enquiries or ordering during this period, please use Facebook or
Instagram messages. Thank you.



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
(*Priest-In-Charge of Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam*)

Mission and Ministry – The Revd Amos Poon

Outreach – The Revd Mark Rogers
(*Priest-In-Charge of Discovery Bay Church*)

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.

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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