



# 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 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT 18TH FEBRUARY 2024

### **8.00am Said Eucharist**

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman  
Reader: Letty Awingan

### **9.00am Sung Eucharist**

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Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Will Newman  
Deacon: The Revd Amos Poon  
Communion Setting: The Book of Common Prayer Noted  
(John Merbecke)  
Hymns: Lent Prose (verse 1), 88, 530i, 515, 492i (omit v3)  
Anthem: Almighty and everlasting God (Orlando Gibbons)  
Readers: Gordon Jones, Mary Szeto  
Intercessor: Kevin She

### **10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)**

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon  
Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

### **11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)**

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis  
Preacher: The Revd Will Newman  
Reader: Karman Kar  
Intercessor: Daniel Kong

### **1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Filipino)**


Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

### **5.00pm Choral Evensong**

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin  
Reader: Denise Giles

## THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

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<b>MON 19th February 2024</b>	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>	
<b>TUE 20th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist	
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>	
	7.30pm	<i>Education for Ministry (EfM) Cantonese group</i>	
<b>WED 21st</b>	8.00am	Holy Communion	
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—Duet Delights Piano Recital by Jolie Chan &amp; Winnie Lam</i>	
<b>THU 22nd</b>	8.30am	Holy Communion	
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>	
	8.30pm	<i>Prayers for Peace (ZOOM)</i>	
<b>FRI 23rd</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist	
		<b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS 12.15pm on Fridays in Lent</b>	
<b>SAT 24th</b>	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)	
<b>SUN 25th February</b> <i>Genesis 17.1-7, 15-16 Psalm 22.23-end Romans 4.13-end Mark 8.31-end</i>	<b>The Second Sunday of Lent</b>		
	8.00am	Said Eucharist	
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin	
	9.00am	Sung Eucharist	
		Celebrant: The Dean	
		Preacher: The Revd Professor John Kater	
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)	
		Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon	
	Preacher: The Dean		
11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)		
	Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon		
	Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis		
1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino)		
	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis		
5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Taizé style		
	Officiant and Preacher: The Dean		

*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 Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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**

**Genesis 9.8-17**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, 'As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.' God said, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.' God said to Noah, 'This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING**

**1 Peter 3.18-end**

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL READING**

**Mark 1.9-15**

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

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.' And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness for forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## PRAYERS

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### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, you have renewed us with the living bread from heaven; by it you nourish our faith, increase our hope, and strengthen our love: teach us always to hunger for him who is the true and living bread, and enable us to live by every word that proceeds from out of your mouth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**In the worldwide Anglican Communion** we pray for Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

**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 Morrison Chapel** and the Revd Stephen Durie; for the growth in attendance of both services at Morrison Chapel Macau and Macau Anglican College Taipa, and for newcomers to come to faith in Christ and be baptized; for increased offertory of money, time and talent, and for increased commitment of the church members; For the ministry of children, teenagers and young adults, and for faithful gifted leaders of Sunday school and Youth Ministry; for more small groups to start and to grow healthily; for commitment and strong growth of the Men's 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 our Council members, Cathedral Staff, Cathedral Servers, Cathedral Sidesmen, Poverty Alleviation Group, our Prison Ministry, Music Ministry, and Lunchtime Recitals.

**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 2000 refugees.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please pray for those who are sick:*  
Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Claire Gotten, Sarah Wong, Irena Wu, Muriel Tsang, Gareth Butler, Eva Sorrel, Jane Pang Tong, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Annabella Janssen, Sister Jean Mary, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Toung Ming, Arturo Lamshing, Sanson Lau, Chuan Xiaokang, Daisy Tai, and Hsu Hon Chung.

*Please pray for the recently departed:*  
Gregory Charles Rivers and Andrew Willis

*In Memoriam:*  
Wong Suet Fun

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

*REMARKS: Unless Elisa is contacted (deanssec@stjohnscathedral.org.hk) with advice to the contrary, names will be removed from the Prayer Request list after one month.*



### 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.

## NOTICES

### CLERGY

This morning, the Dean is leading the worship and preaching at St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley.

### 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.

### ONLINE DONATION



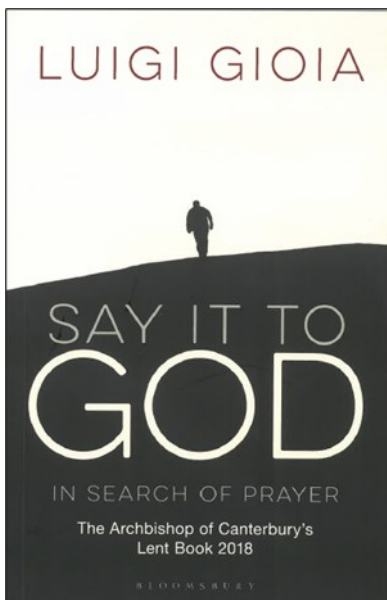
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## LENT 2024

### LENT COURSES

This year 2024, the Province of HKSKH encourages all parishes and missionary churches to study together in Lent with the book 'SAY IT TO GOD in search of prayer' which is written by Luigi Gioia. Come and join one of the courses at St John's, St Stephen's Chapel or Discovery Bay Church. Let us journey spiritually together in this Lent. (Course material is available at the Cathedral Bookstore.)



### LENT COURSES AT ST JOHN'S

#### Tuesdays

27/2, 5/3, 12/3, 19/3, 26/3  
7.00pm (English) Conference Room

#### Thursdays

29/2, 7/3, 14/3, 21/3, 28/3  
12.30pm (English) Conference Room

#### Fridays

23/2, 1/3, 8/3, 15/3, 22/3  
3.00pm (English) Harold Smyth Room

#### Saturdays

24/2, 2/3, 9/3, 16/3, 23/3  
3.00pm (Tagalog) Conference Room  
4.00pm (Cantonese) Harold Smyth Room

#### Sundays

25/2, 5/3, 10/3, 17/3, 24/3  
3.00pm (English and Tagalog)  
Harold Smyth Room

### LENT COURSE AT DB CHURCH

#### Thursdays

22/2, 29/2, 7/3, 14/3, 21/3  
8.00pm (English) Discovery Bay Church

### LENT COURSE AT ST STEPHEN'S CHAPEL, STANLEY

#### Tuesdays

27/2, 5/3, 12/3, 19/3, 26/3  
8.30pm (English) St Stephen's Chapel

## NOTICES

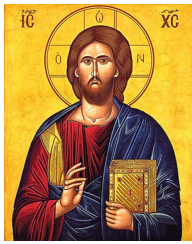
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### **ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL PILGRIMAGE 2024 A PILGRIMAGE TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF REVELATION**

A fabulous journey to explore the Classical Treasures and Apocalyptic Churches of Turkey's Aegean Region. Led by the Revd Will Newman & the Revd James Buxton, chaplain in Izmir

23<sup>rd</sup> September (Mon) – 1<sup>st</sup> October (Tue)  
\$8800 + airfare (Single supplement \$3200)

Please email the Revd Will Newman at [newman@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:newman@stjohnscathedral.org.hk) for further details.



### **Faith Begins:**

**The Christian Faith explored,  
discussed and enjoyed!**

on Wednesday evenings starting at 7.00pm  
followed by a talk and discussion.

'Faith Begins' is a course for adults who have been regularly attending services in St John's Cathedral or the daughter churches for at least 6 months, and who want to belong to the Anglican Church and become part of the regular worshipping community.

'Faith Begins' includes talks and discussion about many different aspects of Christian belief and living as a Christian. It leads to baptism and confirmation at St John's Cathedral, when you commit yourself to following Jesus Christ.

The next 'Faith Begins' will start on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024, continues every Wednesday up to 29<sup>th</sup> May. The Baptism and Confirmation Service will be held in the cathedral on 26<sup>th</sup> May at 5.00pm.

#### ***How do I enrol?***

Just send your contact details to Fr Mark at [rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)

**Registration deadline: 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024**      Course Fee: HKD1000

### **CECILIA KWOK CHURCH MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP: OPEN FOR APPLICATION**

The Cecilia Kwok Church Music Scholarship Fund offers scholarships of up to HK\$100,000 to help young people pursue studies relevant to church music in establishments (in Hong Kong or overseas) approved by the trustees, to help develop their potential to become, in future years, choirmasters or organists at the Cathedral or its daughter churches.

Application form is now available on the Cathedral website.

Deadline for application: **Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

Please contact our Director of Music, Mr Felix Yeung at [felixyeung@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:felixyeung@stjohnscathedral.org.hk) or the Cathedral Office for further details.

## NOTICES

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### Diocese of Hong Kong Island, HKSKH **BISHOP'S BIBLE STUDY SERIES 2024**

- Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> February, Thursday  
Time: 7.30 pm  
Venues: 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 Dr Lam Chun Wai, The Revd 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 in 3 sessions each time).

*Method of enrollment:*

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

Please scan for  
enrollment



Please scan for  
Bible study  
materials



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



### **HKSKH Ming Hua Theological College VOCAL TRAINING**

- Date: 2<sup>nd</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024 (Every Saturday, 4 lessons in total)  
Time: 11.00am to 12.30pm  
Venue: HKSKH Ming Hua Theological College  
Instructor: Mr Guddy Chan and Mr Coman Sheung  
(Vocal Tutors of Systemic Vocal Advancement)

Application: <https://forms.gle/k7ENurVYosen6Xw88>

The course fee is \$1,500.

Deadline: 20<sup>th</sup> February The class will take no more than 6 students, applicants will be placed on waiting list if the quotas are full.

If you have any enquiries, please feel free to contact Mr King Chan through 25367517 or [king@minghua.edu.hk](mailto:king@minghua.edu.hk)

# 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 Dr 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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