



# 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 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 18TH MAY 2025

### **8.00am Said Eucharist**

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre  
Reader: Letty Awingan

### **9.00am Sung Eucharist** (<https://youtube.com/live/DlVWHvxDFz4>) (Eucharistic Prayer E)

Celebrant: The Dean  
Preacher: The Most Revd Datuk Ng Moon Hing  
Deacon: The Revd Amos Poon  
Communion Setting: St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)  
Hymns: 439 (omit \*), 652, 511, 149  
Anthem: Ubi caritas (Maurice Duruflé)  
Readers: Patricia Hon, Gordon Jones  
Intercessor: Julianne Doe  
Voluntary: Prelude in C minor BWV 546/1  
(Johann Sebastian Bach)

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

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

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

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis  
Reader: Karmen Kar  
Intercessor: Saki Tsoi

### **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 Amos Poon  
Reader: Zenaida Carias

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## THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

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<b>MON 19th May</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.25pm	<i>Meditation Group</i>
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
<b>TUE 20th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>
<b>WED 21st</b> <i>Helena, Protector of The Holy Places, 330</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—Echoes of Harmony</i>
		<i>A trio for Saxophone, Clarinet and Piano 和聲迴響</i>
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
<b>THU 22nd</b>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
<b>FRI 23rd</b>	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>
<b>SAT 24th</b> <i>John and Charles Wesley, Evangelists, Hymn Writers, 1791 and 1788</i>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Pilipino)
	4.00pm	<i>Andrew Fellowship</i>
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
<b>SUN 25th May The Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>		
<i>Acts 16.9-15</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
<i>Psalms 67</i>	9.00am	Sung Eucharist
		Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
<i>Revelation 21.10, 22 - 22.5</i>		Preacher: The Revd Prof John Kater
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)
<i>John 14.23-29</i>		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Taizé style
		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

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING Acts 11.1-18

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, 'Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?' Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, 'I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, "Get up, Peter; kill and eat." But I replied, "By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth." But a second time the voice answered from heaven, "What God has made clean, you must not call profane." This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, "Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household

will be saved." And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?' When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, 'Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.'

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

## SECOND READING Revelation 21.1-6

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

'See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away.'

And the one who was seated on the throne said, 'See, I am making all things new.' Also he said, 'Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.' Then he said to me, 'It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.'

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

## GOSPEL READING

**John 13.31-35**

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

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

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, 'Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, and the life: grant us to walk in his way, to rejoice in his truth, and to share his risen life; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

**Amen.**

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## FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**In the worldwide Anglican Communion** we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

**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 Emmanuel Church;** for the Revd Robert Martin; for God's blessing on Emmanuel's growing Sunday School, Christian Formation Programmes, Healing

Ministry, the mission and outreach among the neighbours in Pokfulam; **for St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley** and the Revd William Newman; for St Stephen's College and the Preparatory School; for the ministry with prisoners in Stanley Prison.

**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 Tougoo in Myanmar,** and for all those suffering after the earthquake. 46 churches in the diocese have suffered partial or severe damage, and in one parish 106 houses belonging to parishioners have been damaged or destroyed. You can help by making a donation. All funds will go directly to the diocese for relief work.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please pray for those who are sick:*

Glynn Marie Dela Torre, Ma Sau Yuen, Chris Maden, Annabella Janssen, Dan Severson, Melville Boase, Donna Willis, Esther Tse, Cheung Chik Wan, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Irena Wu, Jane Pang Tong, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Teresa Ray Li, Fung Wan Nui, Joseph Chu, Rozana Leung-Bishop, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Alan Irvine, Daisy Tai, Li Chunjuan, Sabrina Ho, Keith So, Hsu Hon Chung, Chew Tung Yim Fong, Arturo Lamshing, Eva Sorrel, Caitlin Berry, Wanda Clay, Sanson Lau, Sister Jean Mary, Wanda Wan H, Raymond Yuen, Lucita Villareal, Sarah Wong, Kitty Wong, and Chuan Xiaokang.

*Please pray for the recently departed:*  
Carmen Cruz Demiar, Gary Lee Kitch, and Leung Sue Ting Stephen

## NOTICES

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.

### **‘Let Each Gospel Speak for Itself’ STUDY SERIES**

led by

**The Revd Professor John Kater**

The ‘Grace in a Busy Week’ Bible study group is organising a special four-week series titled ‘Let Each Gospel Speak for Itself.’

This series will explore how each Gospel offers a unique perspective on Jesus, his life, and his message, and how they collectively shape our understanding of his teachings.

Dates: Mondays  
19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June

Time: 7.00 – 8.00pm

Venue: Harold Smyth Room

Seating is limited. To register, please email:

[reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)  
or call the cathedral office on 2523 4157.

### 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.

### A WARM WELCOME

to **The Most Revd Datuk Ng Moon Hing** as our guest preacher at the 9.00am Sung Eucharist this morning. Archbishop Moon Hing was the keynote speaker at our Diocesan Gospel Rally held yesterday and is a renowned preacher and Evangelist.

The Archbishop was the 4<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Diocese of West Malaysia in the Province of South East Asia and is well known to many of us here in Hong Kong. We welcome an old friend of the HKSKH to our worship this morning.

### EVENSONG & CURRY!

TODAY 18<sup>th</sup> May 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 Servers’ Guild.*

### MICHAELMAS FAIR 2025

#### JOY IN FITNESS

Enjoy a rejuvenating yoga session led by a skilled instructor on the Sunday afternoon. Come together with friends and family to strengthen your body, mind, and bonds with the community!

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> June (Sunday)  
Time: 3.00 – 4.30pm  
Venue: Pure Yoga, Star Street  
Donation: HK\$500

*All proceeds will go towards  
supporting various ministries of  
St John’s Cathedral*

Please reserve your spots at the Cathedral Office or via WhatsApp 5107 7170. First come first serve.

*Sponsor: Pure Fitness & Yoga*

**The Standing Commission for Mission  
– Thy Kingdom Come 2025 Prayer Movement**

*Thy Kingdom Come* – a worldwide prayer movement which invites Christians around the world to pray together during the period between Ascension Day and Pentecost for friends, family members and neighbours who have not yet faithed in Jesus Christ to know more about His redeeming love. Since its launch in 2016, the prayer movement has united more than a million Christians in prayer. This year, we are excited to celebrate the tenth anniversary of *Thy Kingdom Come*!

As always, Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui encourages parishioners to participate in this meaningful prayer movement. Please scan the QR code or visit the web page below to obtain the prayer booklet based on *The Lord's Prayer* by Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York, as your daily devotional material and prayer from Ascension Day (29<sup>th</sup> May) to Pentecost (8<sup>th</sup> June).

In addition, *The Daily Word* will collaborate with the prayer movement to use *Thy Kingdom Come* prayer materials as scriptural meditations, reflections, and prayers during the movement period, you are welcome to watch daily.

For enquiries, please contact Ms Nicola Wong at 2526 5355 or [nicola.wong@hkshk.org](mailto:nicola.wong@hkshk.org).

Thy Kingdom Come 2025 prayer booklet:

Web page: <https://www.hkshk.org/content.aspx?id=98&lang=1>



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**Seminar:**

**In One We Testify & Build the Church: Church Renewal**

**Speaker:**

**The Most Revd Datuk NG Moon Hing**

(The 4<sup>th</sup> Bishop of the Anglican Diocese of West Malaysia)

- Date: 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (Tuesday)  
Time: 7.30 – 9.15pm  
Venue: St Stephen's Church, 71 Bonham Road, Hong Kong  
Target: Vestry members, Mission church council members and church leaders in HKSKH  
Language: Cantonese (\*Simultaneous interpretation available in English)  
Fee: Free of charge  
Enrolment: Please scan the QR code for registration.  
Deadline for Enrolment is 12<sup>th</sup> May 2025  
Enquiries: Ms Chiu, Diocesan Office (Tel: 2526 5366)





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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:** 19<sup>th</sup> June, 17<sup>th</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> September and 16<sup>th</sup> October (Thursdays)

**Time:** 7.30pm

**Venue:** St Stephen's Church (In-person meeting)  
71 Bonham Road, Hong Kong

### **Theme:**

1<sup>st</sup> Session: 19<sup>th</sup> June

Who is in charge? How to live a worry-free life?

2<sup>nd</sup> Session: 17<sup>th</sup> July

The Good stewards & Bad stewards in Jesus' eyes

3<sup>rd</sup> Session: 18<sup>th</sup> September

I was born to be useful – Personal, family and church's responsibilities as stewards

4<sup>th</sup> Session: 16<sup>th</sup> 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

## Serving the wider community:

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*

## 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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