

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 SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY) 1ST JUNE 2025

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: Reader: The Revd Amos Poon Will Clay

9.00am Sung Eucharist (<u>https://www.youtube.com/live/3xYk_lgjNmo</u>) (Eucharistic Prayer B)

Celebrant:	The Rt Revd Dr Matthias Der	
Preacher:	His Eminence Cardinal Stephen Chow SJ	
Deacon:	The Revd Amos Poon	
Communion Setting:	St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)	
Hymns:	427 (omit *), 176, 368, 174	
Anthem:	O clap your hands (Orlando Gibbons)	
Readers:	Mary Szeto, Kevin She	
Intercessor:	Frank Lang	
Voluntary:	Toccata 1 (Georg Muffat)	

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant:	The Revd Canon Peter Koon
Preacher:	The Revd Polly Wong

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist–Provincial (Rite II)

Sharon Langbis
am

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

5.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant and Preacher:	The Dean
Reader:	Zenaida Carias

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

8.00am	Said Eucharist
<i>12.25pm</i>	<i>Meditation Group</i>
1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
8.00am	Said Eucharist
1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
1.15pm	Said Eucharist
<i>7.00pm</i>	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>
8.00am	Said Eucharist
1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—Violin Recital by Simmi Wan</i>
6.00pm	Said Eucharist
8.30am	Said Eucharist
1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
1.15pm	Said Eucharist
2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
8.00am	Said Eucharist
1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
3.00pm	Friday Fellowship Group (in person/ZOOM)
8.00pm	'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)
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)
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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

O God the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: we beseech you, leave us not comfortless, but send your Holy Spirit to strengthen us and exalt us to the place where our Saviour Christ is gone before, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 16.16-34

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

One day, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave-girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune -telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, 'These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation.' She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, 'I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.' And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market -place before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, 'These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe.' The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, 'Do not harm yourself, for we are all here.' The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, 'Sirs, what must I do to be saved?' They answered, 'Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household.' They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God

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

SECOND READING Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20-end

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I, John, heard a voice saying to me: 'See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.' Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. 'It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.' The Spirit and the bride say, 'Come.' And let everyone who hears say, 'Come.' And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.

The one who testifies to these things says, 'Surely I am coming soon.' Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

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

GOSPEL READING John 17.20-end

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus looked up to heaven and prayed: 'Holy Father, I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Eternal God, giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican

Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of Korea.

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 Barnabas'

Church; their youth ministry, asking the Lord to grant wisdom to the youth leaders, guiding them to build strong relationships with the youth, helping them grow in faith and understanding God's will. Pray for the gospel work in collaboration between the Church and schools, asking the Lord to increase unity and coordination among partners, enabling the widespread dissemination of the gospel message with abundant fruits.

May the Lord help us be more effective in disciple-making, guiding fellow believers to willingly participate in training, to become disciples, learning Christ's example with greater love and patience, so that they may serve others with increased strength. Pray for unity among the brothers and sisters in serving the Lord, asking the Lord to foster closer connections among each person, that we may be united in Christ, working together diligently for the Kingdom of God

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. After the devastating earthquake 2 months ago work is continuing to rebuild damaged churches and church buildings. Yet at the same time the military has renewed attacks on villages, and Christians are being killed, including a young woman who was a teacher in a church-run kindergarten, killed by a rocket fired by the military. Pray for peace in Myanmar, and an end to the conflict.

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Please pray for the recently departed:

Lau Wai Sok, Glynn Marie Dela Torre, Carmen Cruz Demiar, Leung Sue Ting Stephen and Jim Wheatley.

In Memoriam:

Richard Nicholas Arnold, priest

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. A WARM WELCOME to His Eminence Cardinal Stephen Chow SJ as our guest preacher at the 9.00am Sung Eucharist this morning. Cardinal Stephen is Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong and is a member of the Society of Jesus, the Jesuits. He was appointed Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Hong Kong in 2021. In 2023 he was named by Pope Francis as a new Cardinal and was recently part of the conclave that elected Pope Leo XIV.

Cardinal Stephen and our Bishop Matthias co-chair the Hong Kong Chapter of the International Anglican Roman Catholic Commission on Unity and Mission (IARCUM), and Bishop Matthias will preach at the Roman Catholic Cathedral in late July. We thank God for the growing bonds of affection between the HKSKH and the Catholic Diocese and warmly welcome our dear brother in Christ to our worship this morning. *One Church, One Faith, One Lord!*

'Let Each Gospel Speak for Itself' STUDY SERIES

led by **The Revd Professor John Kater**

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.

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

<u>Time</u>: 7.00 - 8.00pm

Venue: Harold Smyth Room

Please note that seating is limited. To register, please email: <u>reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk</u> or call the cathedral office on 2523 4157.

CHRISTIANS IN CENTRAL on 10th June at 1.00pm in the Li Hall

Topic: Anglican Franciscans — and Others

Speaker: Mr John Davison

A lawyer, John Davison is a member of the Third Order of the (Anglican) Society of St Francis (tossf).

Many Anglicans are not aware of the revival of religious orders in the Church of England and the Anglican Communion worldwide in the 19th century and their rich history. The Society of St Francis (SSF) is the largest and most enduring of Anglican religious orders. It is now in most countries where there are Anglicans or Episcopalians. John will describe its three orders and in particular the Third Order which has members in Hong Kong.

Sandwiches and refreshments will be served from 12.45pm.

Ticket: HK\$60 each, available from the Cathedral Bookstore, or by reservation: <u>reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk</u> / 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.

CLARES Donations Needed

Castaways needs donations of clothing, including bags and shoes and household linen. All goods must be in a good, clean, saleable condition.

Please bring them to the Castaways Charity Shop during the following opening hours:

Wednesday 12.00 noon—2.30pm Thursday 12.00 noon—2.30pm Friday 12.00 noon—2.30pm Saturday 10.00am—12.00 noon

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. <u>Since its launch in 2016, the prayer movement has united more than a million Christians in prayer.</u> 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 (29th May) to Pentecost (8th 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@hkskh.org*.



<u>Thy Kingdom Come 2025 prayer booklet:</u> Web page: *https://www.hkskh.org/content.aspx?id=98&lang=1*



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:

19th June, 17th July, 18th September and 16th October (Thursdays) Date:

Time: 7.30pm

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

Theme:

1st Session: 19th June

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

<u>2nd Session: 17th July</u> The Good stewards & Bad stewards in Jesus' eyes

3rd Session: 18th September

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

4th Session: 16th 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



Scan for enrolment



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!

在主日午後,與家人朋友在經驗豐富的導師指導下, 經歷悠閒放鬆的瑜珈工作坊。一起為座堂籌款,同時 強健身心!

All proceeds will go towards supporting various ministries of St John's Cathedral.

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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

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Mr Thomas Li

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Safeguarding Officer:

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

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.

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