



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 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 19TH APRIL 2026

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Reader: Will Clay

9.00am Sung Eucharist (<https://youtube.com/live/ryHJDGtUFf4>) (*Eucharistic Prayer E*)

Celebrant: The Revd Francis Yu
Preacher: The Revd Professor John Kater
Deacon: The Dean
Communion Setting: St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)
Hymns: 165, 157, 510, 485
Anthem: Abendlied (Josef Rheinberger)
Readers: Mary Szeto, Gordon Jones
Intercessor: Mark Tse
Voluntary: Praeludium in D major BuxWV 139
(Dieterich Buxtehude)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong

11.45am Sung Eucharist—Provincial *with the Choir of St Catharine's College, Cambridge*

Celebrant: The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Preacher: The Revd Professor Philip Wickeri
Reader: Koon-G Chiu
Intercessor: Saki Tsoi

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

5.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Reader: Letty Awingan

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 20th April	8.00am 12.25pm 1.00pm 7.00pm	Said Eucharist <i>Meditation Group</i> One o'clock Prayer <i>'Grace in a busy week' (see page 5)</i>
TUE 21st <i>Anselm, Abbot of Le Bec, Archbishop of Canterbury, Teacher, 1109</i>	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 7.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist <i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>
WED 22nd	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Lunchtime Recital—Just Music-Finding Peace, Finding Love</i> <i>正是音樂一心之所安 愛之所在</i> Said Eucharist
THU 23rd <i>George, Martyr, Patron of England, c.304</i>	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist <i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
FRI 24th <i>The Seven Martyrs of The Melanesian Brotherhood, Solomon Islands, 2003</i>	8.00am 1.00pm 3.00pm 8.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Friday Fellowship Group</i> <i>'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)</i>
SAT 25th Mark the Evangelist	8.30am 12.00noon 4.00pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) <i>Andrew Fellowship</i> Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 26th April <i>Acts 2.42-end Psalm 23 1 Peter 2.19-end John 10.1-10</i>	The Fourth Sunday of Easter 8.00am 9.00am 10.30am 11.45am 1.30pm 5.00pm	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Dean Preacher: The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Francis Yu Preacher: The Dean Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis 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 unauthorised 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 Father, who in your great mercy gladdened the disciples with the sight of the risen Lord: give us such knowledge of his presence with us, that we may be strengthened and sustained by his risen life and serve you continually in righteousness and truth; 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

Acts 2.14a, 36-41

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

On the day of Pentecost, Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, 'Let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added to their number.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 1.17-23

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. You know

that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 24.13-35

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

On that same day, two of the disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover,

some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Living God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in all his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Church of the Province of Myanmar (Burma).

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 Mark's Church; the various activities and pastoral work celebrating the 65th anniversary; we pray for the Revd Lee Kwok Kuen, all the staff and church members; For the pastoral ministries in the schools, including St Mark's Church Bradbury Kindergarten and Lee Kau Yan Memorial School; For the evangelistic ministries, especially the Sunday school, the parents' group, youth fellowship, Praising Team, elderly care, and lay leadership training.

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 'Grace in a busy week', Bible Reading Fellowship, Chinese Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship, Andrew Fellowship, Friday Fellowship Group, Filipino Fellowship, and the IFI Fellowship.

We pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar, where thousands of church members are still suffering from last year's earthquake and floods, and the continuing civil war.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Poon Wan Fung Sebastien, Sabrina Ho, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Raymond Yuen, Birdy Yeung, Fung Wan Nui, Eva Sorrel, Tommy Hui, Ray Chan, Therese

Marie Gerarda Chan, Leung Chan Ying Ping, Chung Sheung Yung, Peter Yue, Teresa Ray Li, Fr John Chynchen, John Chakas, Joseph Chu, Hsu Hon Chung, Daisy Tai, Jane Pang Tong, Katie Yuet Kum Leung-Lui, Sylvia Donna Kantor, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Cheung Chik Wan, Wu Yat Cho, Bonnie Lin, Jeffrey Lee, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Irena Wu, Esther Bangcawayan, Ruth Phillipson, Dr Kerry Houston, Li Chunjuan, Tristan Sherliker, Emily Tso, Sanson Lau, Alan Irvine, Yu Chi Ming, Wanda Clay, Chew Tung Yim Fong, Yeewan Li, Sister Jean Mary, Sarah Wong, Sabine Day, Wanda Wan H, Pamela Bennett, Caitlin Berry, Louis Shih, Jan Williams, Chris Maden, Chuan Xiaokang, Brigitta Wheele and Tiffany Au.

Please pray for the recently departed:
Tsoi Woo Sau

In Memoriam: Teresa Wong Yau Sut

Please remember those named above in your private prayers. To include someone in this prayer list, please contact Elisa, Tel: +852 2523 4157.

FLOWERS

The pedestal flowers are donated in loving memory of Teresa Wong Yau Sut.

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.

PRAYERS FOR PEACE

As wars and conflicts bring terror and suffering to so many of God's children in Iran and the Middle East, in Ukraine, and in Africa, you can join our online Peace Prayers, 8.30-8.50pm every Thursday evening. We pray for peace in the world and peace in ourselves, so that we can spread peace around us. WhatsApp Tony Poon tssf on +852 9860 2920 for the link.

VISIT OF ST CATHARINE'S COLLEGE CHOIR

A warm welcome to our old friends from St Catharine's College in the University of Cambridge. The choir will sing at this morning's 11.45am Sung Eucharist under the direction of Dr Edward Wickham their Director of Music. St Catharine's College has a long standing link with St John's as several members of our own Cathedral Choir attended the college themselves. We welcome them back to Hong Kong as part of their current Asia tour.

CLERGY

This morning, Mother Sharon is celebrating the Eucharist and preaching at Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam.

Fr Dwight is celebrating the Thanksgiving Eucharist for Cordillera Sunday at 10.30am on Chater Road with the SJC Filipino Fellowship Choir providing the music.

PRAYER FOR THE MIDDLE EAST

Father of human beings,
Lord of all nations,
we pray you to guide and help us,
that all nations may prosper
in their search for the common good.

Teach us to dispel envy,
hatred, selfishness, and pride,
and to establish justice,
love, goodwill and peace,
so that your will may be done
and your kingdom may advance.
In Christ we pray. Amen.

(Prayer for International Friendship, taken from the Anglican East Asia Book of Common Prayer)

**SJC ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING
on Sunday 26th April 2026
at 1.00pm in the Li Hall**

All those Registered Members who can check their names on the listing posted on the Notice Board in the Porch are encouraged to attend.

Please note that the reports of

- (1) Annual Church Meeting
- (2) the Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended 31st December 2025
- (3) Individual personal profile of candidates for election as Trustee or Council 2026/27

are available on the St John's Cathedral website, www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk, starting from 19th April.


You can also scan the QR Code below.



GRACE IN A BUSY WEEK

Life in the Early Church:

FAITH, MISSION & COMMUNITY
IN ACTS & PAUL'S LETTER



Speaker:
The Revd Professor John Kater

Dates

20th April
27th April
4th May
(Mondays)

7.00-8.00pm
Harold Smyth Room,
St John's Cathedral

To register,
please email reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk
or WhatsApp +852 5107 7170.

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'Postgraduate Certificate in Methods in Qualitative Research'

<u>Course Convenor</u>	<u>Language</u>	<u>Location</u>
Prof Martyn Percy	English	Ming Hua Theological College

Schedule

Ten Tuesday Evenings: from 28th April to 30th June
(7.00pm – 9.00pm)

Two Saturday Schools: 16th May and 20th June
(10.00am – 12.30pm & 2.00pm – 4.30pm):

Fees Tuition Fee: HK\$9,800
 Application Fee: HK\$200

Enrolment & Enquiries

Email: admission@minghua.edu.hk
WhatsApp: +852 9530 7241



Application Deadline:
20th April 2026

NOTICE

NOTICE OF REVISION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

For 176 years, St John's Cathedral has been offering the love and hope of Jesus Christ to the people of Hong Kong. Through your prayers, support, attendance and ministry, you are upholding this fine Christian tradition and are making our community a blessing for many. To be part of the Electoral Roll is another way you demonstrate your sense of belonging which allows you to participate actively in the affairs of our common life and ministry.

If you wish to cast a vote at the forthcoming Annual Church Meeting, to be held on Sunday 26th April 2026, you must be on the electoral roll. If you are already on the electoral roll and we have your email address, you will receive a message from the Cathedral office by Monday 16th March 2026 confirming that you do not need to re-register. If you are unsure about your status on the electoral roll, please phone the Cathedral office at 2523 4157.

All other qualified electors who wish their names to appear in the Electoral Roll must complete an "Electoral Roll Declaration". You may download it from the Cathedral website or collect from the Cathedral office. You are a qualified elector if you are (a) 18 years old and above; (b) are baptized and a member of the Anglican Church or a Church in communion therewith; (c) do not belong to any religious body which is not in communion with the Anglican Church; and (d) are not entered upon the Electoral Roll of any other Church in the Diocese.

Completed forms must reach the Cathedral office, by Sunday 5th April 2026 for inclusion in the Electoral Roll for the purpose of the Annual Church Meeting 2026. Any inquiries may be directed to Ms Bette Lai, the Executive Administrator of the Cathedral.



Mr Martin Matsui
The Honorary Secretary
13th March 2026



~ ~ *Nomination Forms for Trustees and Council members 2026-2027*
are available at the Cathedral office. ~ ~

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

Dean

The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan
(Acting Priest-In-Charge of Emmanuel Church)

Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:

Chinese Ministry -
The Revd Canon Peter Koon
The Revd Francis Yu

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
(Chaplain to the English-speaking congregations)

Youth Ministry - The Revd Francis Yu

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:

Ms Bette Lai

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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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
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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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