



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 EASTER 26TH APRIL 2026

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Reader: Jeannie Chan

9.00am Sung Eucharist (<https://youtube.com/live/n8YpuI68Jts>) (Eucharistic Prayer B)

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy
Deacon: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Communion Setting: St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)
Hymns: 484, 574i, 141, 573ii
Anthem: My shepherd is the living Lord (Thomas Tomkins)
Readers: Dolores Dayao, Douglas Lam
Intercessor: Julianne Doe
Voluntary: I. 'The Zone' (excerpts) from Organ Symphony
No. 1 'Chernobyl' (Mikael Tariverdiev)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Francis Yu
Preacher: The Dean

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Reader: John Breen
Intercessor: Peter Fung

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
Reader: William Cheng

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 27th April	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.25pm	<i>Meditation Group</i>
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	7.00pm	'Grace in a busy week' (see page 6)
TUE 28th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (in person)</i>
WED 29th <i>Catherine of Siena, Teacher, 1380</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital—Voce Di Aprile—Vocal Recital Winifred Lee (Soprano) Hong Man Kin (Tenor)</i>
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 30th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
FRI 1st May (PH) Philip and James, Apostles	9.00am	Said Eucharist
SAT 2nd	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Filipino)
	4.00pm	<i>Andrew Fellowship</i>
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 3rd May <i>Acts 7.55-end Psalm 31.1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2.2-10 John 14.1-14</i>	The Fifth Sunday of Easter	
	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Desmond Cox
	9.00am	Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Robert Martin CMP Preacher: The Revd Desmond Cox
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Francis Yu Preacher: The Dean
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial (Rite II) Celebrant: The Revd Robert Martin CMP Preacher: The Revd Desmond Cox
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	5.00pm	Choral Evensong Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Francis Yu

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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 God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

Acts 2.42-end

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Many were baptized and were added to the community. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

1 Peter 2.19-end

A reading from the first letter of Peter.

Brothers and sisters: It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, where is the credit in that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. 'He committed no sin, and no

deceit was found in his mouth.' When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly.

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

John 10.1-10

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

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 Good Shepherd, the Revd Jonathan Lue, staff and vestry members; For the development of the church; For all brothers and sisters to have a spiritual vision from the Lord and be willing to contribute devoutly; For the health of the body, mind and spirit of the teachers, staff, students and parents of SKH Good Shepherd Primary School, SKH Tsoi Kung Po Secondary School, SKH St Timothy's Primary School and Heep Yunn School; For the well-being of the staff and members of HKSXH Lok Man Alice Kwok Integrated Service Centre; For wise use of the church's space.

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, 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:

James Choo, Sabrina Ho, Leung Chan Ying Ping, SoSo Mei Ping Wong-Leung, Poon Wan Fung Sebastien, Raymond Yuen, Birdy Yeung, Fung Wan Nui, Eva Sorrel, Tommy Hui, Ray Chan, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, 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, Alan Irvine, Sylvia Donna Kantor, Dr Kerry Houston, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Wu Yat Cho, Cheung Chik Wan, Bonnie Lin, Jeffrey Lee, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Li Chunjuan, Irena Wu, Ruth Phillipson, Esther Bangcawayan, Louis Shih, Mark Hammitt, Tristan Sherliker, Emily Tso, Pamela Bennett, Jan Williams, Brigitta Wheele, Yeewan Li, Sanson Lau, Yu Chi Ming, Chew Tung Yim Fong, Tehmina Malhorta, Tiffany Au, Sister Jean Mary, Sarah Wong, Sabine Day, Thrity Shroff, Wanda Wan H, Chris Maden, Chuan Xiaokang, Lilou Bricod, Caitlin Berry, Sweeta Mahtani, and Manju Dhillon.

Please pray for the recently departed:
Tsoi Woo Sau, Shanthé Perera

In Memoriam:
Eleanor Jiminez

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

**Pope Leo's
Prayer for Peace**

Lord of Life,
you shaped every human being
in your image and likeness.
We believe you created us
for communion, not for war,
for fraternity, not for destruction.
Make us faithful and creative builders
of daily peace:
in our hearts, our families,
our communities, and our cities.
May every kind word,
every gesture of reconciliation,
and every choice for dialogue
be seeds of a new world.
Amen.

The Holy See - Libreria Editrice Vaticana

**EXPECTATIONS &
RESPONSIBILITIES OF
A COUNCIL MEMBER**

- Attend worship services regularly
- Passion for and commitment to the Cathedral's ongoing and developing ministries
- Leadership in Stewardship as evidenced by both active involvement in the ministries of the parish and making a Stewardship pledge
- Ability and willingness to communicate
- A sense of vision
- Sense of humour and patience
- Attend Council meetings as scheduled; send apologies to the secretary if unable to attend
- Take responsibility for carrying out tasks and action items between council meetings
- Participate in special events and gatherings of the parish

CLERGY

This morning, Fr Des is celebrating the Eucharist and preaching at Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam.

**ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL
ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING
today 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.

You can also scan the QR Code below.



*Limited hard copies are
available for distribution today.*


EVENSONG & CURRY!

on Sunday 3rd May 2026
**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 Servers Guild .*

GRACE IN A BUSY WEEK

Life in the Early Church:
FAITH, MISSION & COMMUNITY
IN ACTS & PAUL'S LETTER



Dates
20th April
27th April
4th May
(Mondays)
7.00-8.00pm
Harold Smyth Room,
St John's Cathedral

Speaker:
The Revd Professor John Kater

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

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.




Poverty Alleviation Programme

Tuen Ng Festival Celebration

You are invited to spend some quality time with our friends from the SKH Western District Elderly Community Centre to make dumplings, celebrate the Tuen Ng festival with DIY dragon boats, culminating in a delightful lunch with our elder friends!

Date: **9th May 2026 (Sat)**
Time: **10.00am - 3.00pm**
Venue: **SKH Western District Elderly Community Centre**

If you're excited to join us, please enrol using the QR code below. Spaces are limited, so be sure to reserve your spot today!



The Ascension of Our Lord

Thursday, 14th May 2026
7.30pm Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP



5th HKSKH Joint Church-School-Social Service Development Day

The 5th Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Church-School-Social Service Development Day will be held at 9.15am on Friday, 15th May 2026, in Exhibition Halls 5BC of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wan Chai.

We are deeply concerned with the mental well-being of every individual and are committed to building a healthy spiritual life. We invited Dr Lam Ching-choi, Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Mental Health, to share insights on the 4Rs Mental Health Charter. Dr Sylvia Chen to share the concept of a healthy mind from a medical perspective. Following the sharing session, an open forum will be held, featuring Dr Lam Ching-choi, Dr Sylvia Chen and Archbishop Andrew Chan, moderated by Dr Elaine Tang, Supervisor of School-based Educational Psychologists. The Archbishop will then deliver a concluding address.

The Development Day will also include an awards ceremony, presenting Long Service Awards to principals and teachers who have served Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui schools for 30 years, as well as to school managers who have served for 15 and 30 years, as an expression of our gratitude. This awards ceremony marks the first time these awards are presented to principals and teachers from all Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui secondary, primary, and kindergartens.

We sincerely invite brothers and sisters to join this triennial gathering. Tickets are available at the Cathedral office. We also cordially invite members of our church choir and congregation to join the combined choir. Interested choir members and congregants, please register with Elisa at deanssec@stjohnscathedral.org.hk.

For any enquiries, please contact the HKSKH Education Services at +852 2521 6420.



DIOCESAN YOUTH COMMITTEE

「修·為 Pray and Work」 RETREAT

Four opportunities for young Christians to share in a retreat to experience prayer, worship and work together while discovering God's will for the individual, the church and society.

Dates: 22nd—23rd May 18th—19th September
24th—25th July 20th—21st November

Time: Check-in at 8.00pm and leave in the evening of the next day

Place: HKSKH (Anglican) House of Prayer, 16 Ming Fai Road, Cheung Chau

Fee: HK\$400 per retreat, with meals included
(Discounted fee of HK\$1200 for sign-up of all four retreats)

Language: Cantonese

Quota per retreat: 10 Registration Deadline: Monday 11th May

For detailed information, please scan the QR Code,
call Ms Chow on +852 2526 5366 or visit dhk.hkskh.org





**The Standing Commission on Pastoral Care
& The Standing Commission for Mission
- Family Ministry for Evangelisation**

I. Thy Kingdom Come prayer movement

The Church that pleases God is one that prays continually, commits to its mission, and faithfully carries out the Lord's work. This year, HKSKH will continue supporting the *Thy Kingdom Come, the prayer movement for evangelisation* (14th – 24th May). Parishioners are encouraged to first begin with prayer for five family members, friends, colleagues or neighbours who have not yet converted to Christianity and then, submitting to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, takes appropriate steps to help them come to know and believe in Jesus Christ.

II. Starting from Home: Gen Alpha Parenting Wisdom and Effective Family Ministry for Evangelisation.

Date: Thursday 28th May, 2026

Time: 7.30–9.30pm

Venue: HKSKH Holy Trinity Cathedral

Contents:

Parenting Wisdom in the Gen Alpha Era

Speakers: Nicky & Sila Lee

Developers of the Alpha Parenting Course and Marriage Course

**Parent Evangelism Strategy and Effectiveness –
Opportunities and Practice in Church-School Collaboration**

Speaker: Carol Tam

Family Ministry Officer of Diocese of Eastern Kowloon, HKSKH

**Vision and Features of the New Parenting Children and Teenagers
Courses**

Speakers: Nicky Lee, Sila Lee & HK Alpha

**Respondent: *The Rt Revd Dr Matthias Der
Bishop of Diocese of Hong Kong Island, HKSKH***

Registration: Scan the QR Code and fill in the google form

Organisers: Marriage and Family Working Group of
The Standing Commission on Pastoral Care;
HK Alpha

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