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.'

ALL SAINTS' DAY
1ST NOVEMBER 2026

8.00am Said Eucharist

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

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

Celebrant:	The Rt Revd Dr Matthias Der
Preacher:	The Most Revd and Rt Hon. Stephen Cottrell
Deacon:	The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Communion Setting:	Communion Service in E (Harold Darke)
Hymns:	255 (vv.1-4), 305, 313, 255 (vv.5-8)
Anthem:	O quam gloriosum (Tomás Luis de Victoria)
Readers:	Martin Hills, Julianne Doe
Intercessor:	Frank Lang
Voluntary:	Fugue, from Prelude and Fugue in G major, BWV 541 (Johann Sebastian Bach)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant:	The Revd Canon Peter Koon
Preacher:	The Revd Francis Yu

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist - Provincial (Rite II)

Celebrant and Preacher:	The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Reader:	Karmen Kar
Intercessor:	Letty Awingan

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (Pilipino)

Celebrant and Preacher:	The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Choral Evensong and Benediction

Officiant:	The Revd Francis Yu
Preacher:	The Revd Robert Martin CMP
Reader:	Amos Chow

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.***

MON 2nd November	8.00am	Said Eucharist
Commemoration of the	*12.25pm*	*Meditation Group*
Faithful Departed	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
(All Souls' Day)	7.30pm	Sung Eucharist
TUE 3rd	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
WED 4th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	*Lunchtime Recital – Madam Lola Young and the Bel Canto Singers*
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 5th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
FRI 6th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	3.00pm	*Friday Fellowship Group*
	7.30pm	*'Among Us' (Youth Ministry)*
SAT 7th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Pilipino)
	4.00pm	*Andrew Fellowship*
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)

SUN 8th November **The Third Sunday Before Advent (Remembrance Sunday)**

Wisd.6.12-16
Cant: Wisd 6.17-20
1 Thess.4.13-end
Matt 25.1-13

8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
9.00am	Responsorial Eucharist Celebrant: The Dean Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Dean Preacher: The Revd Polly Wong
11.45am	Choral Mattins Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis Preacher: The Dean
1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Pilipino) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
5.00pm	'For the healing of the nations' - Eucharist of Peace & Reconciliation Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin CMP

** *Mandarin Fellowship (First and third Sunday of each month) at 1.00pm in the Conference Room of the Cathedral Admin. Building.* **

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that we may come to those inexpressible joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; 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
Revelation 7.9-17

A reading from the book of Revelation.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

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

SECOND READING
1 John 3.1-3

A reading from the first letter of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

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

GOSPEL READING
Matthew 5.1-12

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:
'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they perse cuted the prophets who were before you.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of heaven, in this eucharist you have brought us near to an innumerable company of angels and to the spirits of the saints made perfect: as in this food of our earthly pilgrimage we have shared their fellowship, so may we come to share their joy in heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.

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 HKSKH All Saints' Cathedral, for their development of various nurture ministries; strengthen their faith and edify spiritual fellowship among the congregation, that they may serve the Lord as faithful and wise stewards; for the members of the Catechism Class, fill them with joyful hearts to bear the witness of our Lord Jesus Christ, serving God, and loving one another; May God lead the Cathedral in continuing its God-given mission of 134 years: to be an ark here on earth, to sail together with the schools, parishes, and wider community within the Diocese, and to lend a helping hand to those in need, whether in body, mind, or spirit, guiding them towards Jesus Christ; Pray for the commitment of the congregation, that every member in the Cathedral may serve God in accordance with their talents.

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, SJC Bookstore, Mission For Migrant Workers, SJC Life Enrichment Centre, and SJC Counselling Service.

We pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar. Pray for our link diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar, and for Bishop Saw Sheesho. Give thanks for the successful fundraising appeal at St John's Cathedral and St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley. The money you donated will help the diocese to build new classrooms and expand the primary education they can give to disadvantaged children. Many of them are refugees from the conflict in their own country. Their families have lost their homes, and depend on the Church for support. Give thanks that the Church can continue to spread faith and hope, and share God's love in the community. Thank you for caring for them.

PRAYER REQUEST
Please pray for those who are sick:
Jijie Hu, Peter Kgaer, Celia Jack, Sue Ko, Yip Ting Chor, Bogdan Moskal, Kwok Leung Yuet Wo Ida, May Kwan, Birdy Yeung, Leung Chan Ying Ping, Raymond Yuen, Sabrina Ho, Tommy Hui, Poon Wan Fung Sebastien, John Chakas, Cheung Chik Wan, Teresa Ray Li, Wu Yat Cho, SoSo Mei Ping
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Wong-Leung, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Louis Shih, Eva Sorrel, Fung Wan Nui, Ray Chan, Jan Williams, Joseph Chu, Brigitta Wheele, Hsu Hon Chung, Alan Irvine, Rozana Leung-Bishop, Yu Chi Ming, Chung Sheung Yung, Yeewan Li, Hung Yeung Pong Wah, Daisy Tai, Tiffany Au, Li Chunjuan, James W. Sweitzer, Katie Yuet Kum Leung-Lui, W.K. Luk, Irena Wu, Sister Jean Mary, Ruth Phillipson, Fr John Chynchen, Bonnie Lin, Chew Tung Yim Fong, Sanson Lau, Cheung Leung Wah, Tjhang Chui Fa, Emily Tso, Jessy Milner, William L. Shia, Tristan Sherliker, Wanda Wan H, Pamela Bennett, Sarah Wong, Michael Beckett, Donna Willis, Chuan Xiaokang, and Alden van de Vorstenbosch.

Please pray for the recently departed:

Johnson Yee Wang Ho
Esther Bangcawayan
(She is a Cathedral member and a founding case worker of Bethune House. Her funeral service will be held at St John's Cathedral on 2nd November 2026 at 10am.)

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

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.

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.

CLERGY
This morning, the Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre will be celebrating the Eucharist and preaching at Emmanuel Church.

ARCHBISHOP OF YORK'S VISIT

We welcome the Most Revd and Rt Honourable Stephen Cottrell, Archbishop of York and Primate of England, as our guest preacher at the 9.00am Sung Eucharist this morning.

Archbishop Stephen was born in Leigh-on-Sea, Essex, in 1958, and was educated at Belfairs High School, Leigh-on-Sea, and the Polytechnic of Central London. He began training for the priesthood at St Stephen's House, Oxford, in 1981 and was ordained deacon at the age of 25.

He has served in parishes in Southwark and Chichester dioceses. He then moved to West Yorkshire, as Diocesan Missioner and Bishop's Chaplain for Evangelism in the Diocese of Wakefield and in 1998, he also became a member of Springboard, the Archbishop of York and Canterbury's team for evangelism.

In 2001, he was called south to become Canon Pastor of Peterborough Cathedral and three years later was consecrated as Bishop of Reading. He became Bishop of Chelmsford in 2010 and served there until 2020, when he became the 98th Archbishop of York.

He has also undertaken several walking pilgrimages, including twice walking the Camino to Santiago de Compostela in Spain, as well as pilgrim routes in England. A founding member of the Church of England's College of Evangelists, he has also chaired a group of bishops with an interest in the media and is one of the authors of the Church of England's Pilgrim Course, a major teaching and discipleship resource. He is President of the College of Preachers.

We welcome Archbishop Stephen to Hong Kong.

GRACE IN A BUSY WEEK



How to Tell the Time

ADVENT WITNESSING THROUGH THE AGES

Speaker: The Very Revd Professor Martyn Percy

26 OCT (MON)	What Time Is It? BC, AD, Modern, Postmodern...and End-Time Movements.
3 NOV (TUE)	Taking a Deeper Dive into Advent... Sacrifices, Prophecies, and Costly Discipleship. Venue: Fanny Li Hall
30 NOV (MON)	Traditional Advent Themes and Customs...and Some Modern Variations.
7 DEC (MON)	Was Santa Claus an Anglican...and other Alternative Histories of Christmas?

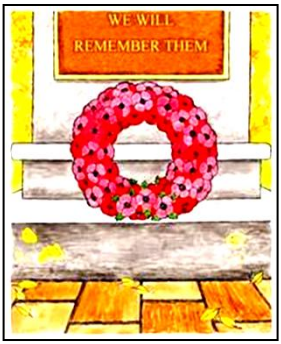
For Christians belonging to the Catholic, Lutheran, and Anglican traditions, Advent is a period of preparation for the threefold coming of Christ. This includes his Incarnation in Bethlehem, his sacramental presence in the Eucharist, and his Second Coming at the final judgment. As we prepare for Advent this year, we invite you to join two pairs of talks exploring the history and meaning of Advent in the lead-up to Christmas.

Led by our Provost Theologian, the Very Revd Canon Professor Martyn Percy, we take an approach to faith that examines our roots, warmly embraces critical discernment in our history and the Scriptures, looks at paintings and poetry, and is open to emerging new insights.

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

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

Remembrance Eucharist of Peace & Reconciliation



Remembrance Sunday
5.00pm 8th November 2026

Officiant and Preacher:
The Revd Robert Martin CMP

REMEMBRANCE POPPY APPEAL

Next Sunday, 8th November, will be observed as Remembrance Sunday. If you would like to support our veterans, and wear a traditional poppy during this week, you will find poppies and a collection box on the table at the back of the Cathedral. Please give generously in thanksgiving for all those who died that we might be free.

ONLINE DONATION

Faster Payment System
(FPS) ID: 109386409

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARD & HANDICRAFT FAIR 2026

6th and 7th November (Fri & Sat)
10.00am to 5.00pm
Li Hall

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INTERFAITH MEETING AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL CHANGE DATE

The Interfaith Meeting at St John's Cathedral has been rescheduled for Sunday 15th November afternoon.

Members of the Hong Kong Network on Religion and Peace (HKNRP) will visit St John's from 3-5pm for a Tour of the Cathedral, an Introduction to the Anglican Church, and a discussion on Prayer in different religious traditions.

If you would like to join the afternoon visit and discussion, WhatsApp Will on +852 6254 7514.

My Life as a Wildlife Photographer
by Sue Flood OBE & Ian Dawson

Date: Monday, 9 Nov 2026
Time: 12:45pm-2.00pm
Venue: Li Hall, St John's Cathedral
Fee: HK$50
(sandwich included)

Scan the QR code to register

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

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: +852 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:

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Name of spouse (if applicable)

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Names and ages of children (if applicable)

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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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