

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.'

2ND MAY 2021 The Fifth Sunday of Easter (Outreach Sunday)

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan Reader: Jeanniee Chan

9.00am Sung Eucharist

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Celebrant:	The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan
Sharing:	Outreach leaders
Deacon	The Revd Sharon Langbis
Communion Setting:	St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)
Hymns:	103 (omit v.3), 114, 310 (omit v.2), 420 (omit v.2)
Anthem:	Vinea mea electa (Carlo Gesualdo)
Voluntary:	Basse and Dialogue à2 Choeurs, from Suite du
c .	Premier Ton, Troisième livre d'orgue des huit tons
	de l'Église (Guillaume-Gabriel Nivers)
Reader/Intercessor:	Frank Lang/Kevin She

10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant:	The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan
Sharing:	Outreach leaders

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist

Celebrant:	The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan
Sharing:	Outreach leaders
Reader/Intercessor:	Saki Tsoi/Simon Fong

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant:	The Revd Sharon Langbis
Sharing:	Outreach leaders

5.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant:	The Revd Mark Rogers
Preacher:	The Revd Will Newman
Reader:	Mark Tse

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

MON 3rd May	8.00am <i>12.30pm</i> 1.00pm	Said Eucharist <i>Meditation Group (suspended)</i> One o'clock Prayer
TUE 4th	8.00am 1.00pm <i>7.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Bible Reading Fellowship (ZOOM)</i>
WED 5th	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Lunchtime Recital (suspended)</i> <i>Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese) (ZOOM)</i> Said Eucharist
THU 6th	9.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers (suspended)
FRI 7th	8.00am 1.00pm <i>3.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Friday Fellowship Group (ZOOM)</i>
SAT 8th	8.30am 12.00noon 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) Sung Eucharist (Cantonese)(Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 9th May	The Sixth Sunday of Easter	
Acts 10.44-end	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin
Psalm 98 1 John 5.1-6 John 15.9-17	9.00am	Celebrant: The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan
	11.45am	Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Choral Mattins Officiant: The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan Preacher: The Revd Will Newman
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino)
	5.00pm	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre Healing Eucharist Celebrant: The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan Preacher: The Revd Mark Rogers

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THEFT PREVENTION

As with any big city centre, please keep your valuables with you. If you feel unsafe at any time, please let a staff member or sidesman know.

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 8.26-end

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, 'Get up and go towards the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.' (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, 'Go over to this chariot and join it.' So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, 'Do you understand what you are reading?' He replied, 'How can I, unless someone guides me?' And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

'Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the earth.'

The eunuch asked Philip, 'About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?' Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, 'Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized? He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

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

GOSPEL READING John 15.1-8

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

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

All This is the Gospel of the Lord. **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.**

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; and for all bishops, priests and deacons within our diocese and province.

We pray for St Philip's Church; for

The Revd Cindy Kwok and all their staff and church members; for the youth, adult, elderly, women and family ministries of the church's Pastoral Centre; may God guide their evangelistic and pastoral caring work in Tin Shui Wai; For the environmental education initiated by the church; the online community resources sharing platform; for the church overseas mission, may God nourish the life of the church members and strengthen their enthusiasm.

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 our Welcomers & Cathedral Minders, Sunday School, Discoverers, Parents and Toddlers, Education for Ministry (EfM) Courses, CLARES, Castaways, and SJC Flower Guild.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick: Tommy Hui, Wanda Clay, John David,

Wu Yuan Feng, Analiza Tobias, Averil Ashley, Alona Bagyaos, Priscilla Wong and her mother, Kathy Leung, Audrey Bullock, Catherine Chan, George Fong, Judy Holding, Val Rice, Emily Moore, Michael Chang, Yee (Zoe) Szeto-Law, Rebecca Crawford, Doris Hernandez San Miguel, Shirley Nie, Nie Shi Fa, Karen Szeto, Liew Kam Lin, The Revd Matthew Khu Thay, Tia McPhee, Luke Inkin, Toung Ming, Gerald Chang, Tai Yu Hei, Daisy Tai, Tai Choi Yeng, Peter Lau, Meena Tsui, Kathryn Lewis, Lene Bille Hoegh, CJ Verdejo, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Bruce McPhee, Kit Packet, Cath Dalton, Tiew Siew Lee, Francesca Lorenzi, Margaret Pini, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Jake Pitts, Donna Gail Willis, Heather Little, Yvonne Fong, Jesher Yau, Chong Yuk Lau, Tsui Man Fong, Jane Cooper, John Charman, Raymond Yuen, Christina Poon, John Butcher, Wong Lai King, Lianne Ng, John Banigan, Christina Chan, Richard Jones, Anthony Chan, Susan Westlake, David Holme, Evelena Mathias, Geoff Walsh, Monica Cornelius, Elaine Cogan, and Leslie Henderson.

We also pray for those who are suffering from COVID-19.

Please pray for the recently departed: Irene Lo Oi Lin Tom Berry

Prayers will be offered for those named above during the weekday Eucharist. To include someone in this prayer list, please contact Elisa, **Tel.: 2523 4157**.

A PRAYER FOR THE NATION AND PEOPLE OF MYANMAR

Lord of the heavens and the earth, we give you thanks and praise for the rising from the dead of your Son Jesus Christ and for the never-ending love he offers us all.

Grant, we pray, resurrection life to the nation and people of Myanmar, that sadness may turn into joy, aggression into amity, despair into hope, and anxiety into calm, that the people may be reconciled.

This we ask in the Name of the Risen Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit One God, now and for ever. Amen.

-Anglican Communion

AN EASTER PRAYER

Draw Us Forth

Draw us forth, God of all creation. Draw us forward and away from limited certainty into the immense world of your love.

Give us the capacity to even for a moment taste the richness of the feast you give us. Give us the peace to live with uncertainty, with questions, with doubts.

Help us to experience the resurrection anew with open wonder and an increasing ability to see you in the people of Easter. Amen.

- Author Unknown

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL TRUSTEES AND COUNCIL MEMBERS 2021/2022 - elected at the ACM on 25th April 2021

Congratulations to those elected and please pray for their ministry.

Trustees

Mr Li Kwok Heem John Mr Matsui, Martin Kaoru

Council Members

Mr Bispham, Thomas Pedder Mr Breen, John Francis Dr Chan, Woon Tong Joseph Mrs Chan, Rita Dr Cheung Ting-Kin Mr Chiu, Koon G Mr Choo, James Ms Dayao, Dolores Ibes Mrs Doe, Julianne P. Mr Fung Sek Yung Patrick Ms Harada, Alison Birch Mrs Ho Ch'ien May Fung Mr King, Adrian Hugh Ms Kwok, Ling Wan Natalie Mrs Li Yee Oi Hay June Mr Lindsay, Craig Blaser Mr Rowe, Martin Philip JP Ms Sang Pui Nor Margaret Mr Spencer, Michael Mr Wong, Jason

We also take this opportunity to thank those 2020/2021 Council members who have completed their term.

Mr Lye Khay Fong Ron Mr Ng Kwan Mang Edward

WELCOME TO OUR NEW DEAN: THE VERY REVD CHAN KWOK KEUNG

Today we welcome our new Dean to St John's Cathedral. Dean Chan comes to us after serving as Dean at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Diocese of Eastern Kowloon. He brings with him extensive experience within the HKSKH, in education, social welfare and the Church. He has been a member of Provincial Commissions on liturgy, education, social services, mission and theological education.

Dean Chan is a trained teacher with experience in primary and secondary schools. He has served on many schools as their Supervisor and Chairman. He is Chairman of the HKSKH Primary School Council. He also served as Executive Secretary of the Diocese of Eastern Kowloon.

We pray for Dean Chan as he begins a new ministry, for God's grace and blessing on him, his ministry and his family.

TODAY IS OUTREACH SUNDAY

Our cathedral outreach helps thousands of distressed and needy people. This is God's love in action.

For example, in 2020:

- HELP for Domestic Workers served over 1400 clients in one on one services, reached over 40,000 people through online and in person training, and enabled \$1.1 million to be claimed back for clients. 89% of cases were successfully resolved and 99% of cases settled out of court.
- MFMW served 1163 new clients and provided temporary emergency accommodation to 876 people. It also distributed 3511 food packs to people in need.
- St John's Counselling Service provided a 13,000 counselling sessions to over 2,600 cases with an 20 percent increase compared to 2019. Furthermore, it provided support to cases coming from low to moderate income families with low fee and probono (free of charge) services to around 15 percent of the cases in 1,600 sessions.

Today we thank God for our outreach, changing lives in Hong Kong. We pray for God's grace on the staff, volunteers and board members. Please visit the booths in the garden.

MICHAELMAS FAIR 2021

Join us and support the Michaelmas Fair! Please mark your diary for:

• Sun 16th May 2021

Virtual Walkathon

• Sun 10th October 2021

Michaelmas Fair Pre-Sale Michaelmas Fair

• Sat 30th October 2021

We need you more than ever! Let's get together for more fun and meaningful activities.

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Date / 日期: Walk on or before 16 May 2021/2021年5月16日或以前步行 Time / 時間: 11:00am / 上午11時 Route / 路線: 2km walk in location of one's choice / 由參加者自行選址步行兩公里

誠邀參加網上步行籌款

Sponsorship forms should be sent to the Cathedral by email or post before 16 May 請於5月16日前將捐款表格以電郵或郵寄交回座堂

All proceeds will go towards supporting the Cathedral and its various ministries 所有捐款將用作支持聖約翰座堂及各項事工

** For those who have submitted the sponsorship form, please collect T-Shirt and souvenir pack from the cathedral office reception **

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 (*Priest-In-Charge of Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam*)

Mission and Ministry – The Revd Amos Poon

Outreach — The Revd Mark Rogers (Priest-In-Charge of Discovery Bay Church)

Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

Executive Administrator:

Mrs Viola Ip

Serving the wider community:

SJC Counselling Service HELP for Domestic Workers Mission for Migrant Workers SJC Life Enrichment Centre Cathedral Bookstore CLARES/Castaways Prison Ministry



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, 4–8 Garden Road, Central 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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