



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.'*

4TH AUGUST 2019

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee
Reader: Anthony Height

9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Deacon: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Communion Setting: St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)
Psalm: Psalm 49.1-9 (Cooper)
Hymns: **333, 480 (T.161), 498, 413**
Anthem: Cibiavit eos (William Byrd)
Voluntary: Marche Triomphale (Sigfrid Karg-Elert)
Readers/Intercessor: Susan King, Doris Lye/Aron Yuen

10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
Preacher: The Dean

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—CW (See insert)

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee
Reader/Intercessor: John Breen/Simon Fong

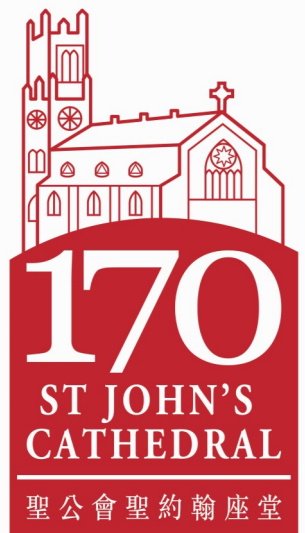
2.00pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

6.00pm Choral Evensong (See insert)

Officiant: The Revd Will Newman
Preacher: The Revd Mark Rogers
Reader: Letty Awingan

Welcome to all who worship here today. Visiting communicants, of whatever Christian tradition, are invited to receive communion here. Gluten-free communion wafers are available on request at all Eucharists in this Cathedral. Please enquire of the Sidesmen or Servers for directions to the distribution. **No unauthorized photography, video filming or sound recording during the service.**



Faith in the City
1849 - 2019

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

SUN 4th	12.00noon	Chinese Congregation Fellowship
MON 5th	8.00am 12.30pm 1.00pm	Said Eucharist Meditation Group One o'clock Prayer
TUE 6th Transfiguration of Our Lord	8.00am 1.00pm 7.00pm 7.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Bible Reading Fellowship (English) Sung Eucharist
WED 7th	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Lunchtime Recital —La eufonia's Wednesday Luncheon Recital Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese) Said Eucharist
THU 8th	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm 7.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers Evening Prayer for our city (Li Hall)
FRI 9th	8.00am 12.30pm 1.00pm 3.00pm	Said Eucharist 'Grace in a Busy Week' Bible Study Group One o'clock Prayer Friday Fellowship Group (NO meeting, summer break from 26 th July; meeting will resume on 6 th September)
SAT 10th	8.30am 12.00noon 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 11th August	The Eighth Sunday after Trinity	
<i>Genesis 15.1-6</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
<i>Psalms 33.12-21</i>		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
<i>Hebrews 11.1-3, 8-16</i>	9.00am	Sung Eucharist
<i>Luke 12.32-40</i>		Celebrant: The Dean
		Preacher: The Revd Jenny Wong Nam
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)
		Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
		Preacher: Adam Mok
	11.45am	Choral Mattins
		Officiant: The Revd Wu Wai Ho
		Preacher: The Dean
	2.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino)
		Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
		Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	6.00pm	Healing Eucharist
		Celebrant: The Dean
		Preacher: The Revd Will Newman



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

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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

Ecclesiastes 1.2, 12-14; 2.18-23

A reading from the book of Ecclesiastes.

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me —and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labours under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

PSALM 49.1-9

1 O hear ye this, all ye people : ponder it with your ears, all ye that dwell in the world;

2 High and low, rich and poor : one with another.

3 My mouth shall speak of wisdom : and my heart shall muse of understanding.

4 I will incline mine ear to the parable : and shew my dark speech upon the harp.

5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of wickedness : and when the wickedness of my heels compasseth me round about?

6 There be some that put their trust in their goods : and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches.

7 But no man may deliver his brother : nor make agreement unto God for him;

8 For it cost more to redeem their souls : so that he must let that alone for ever;

9 Yea, though he live long : and see not the grave.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

SECOND READING

Colossians 3.1-11

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory. Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get

rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

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

GOSPEL READING **Luke 12.13-21**

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

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, 'Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.' But he said to him, 'Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?' And he said to them, 'Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.' Then he told them a parable: 'The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, "What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?" Then he said, "I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, "You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?" So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.'

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, whose Son is the true vine and the source of life, ever giving himself that the world may live: may we so receive within ourselves the power of his death and passion that, in his saving cup, we may share his glory and be made perfect in his love; for he 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 South East Asia and The Most Revd Ng Moon Hing, Archbishop of South East Asia & Bishop of West Malaysia.

We pray for the Province of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui (Anglican Province of Hong Kong & Macau); for the Most Revd Dr Paul Kwong, our archbishop and primate; and for all bishops, priests and deacons within our diocese and province.

We pray for the Church of the Transfiguration; may God teach all church members to care for the church and work with the Holy Spirit to promote the church's development; for the youth and the parent ministries, may God lead them to pursue Christ; for the educational ministry, for the parish-and-school partnership so that they work together to spread the gospel.

Within the Cathedral Parish we pray for the Cathedral church and its various congregations, for the Dean and chaplains; for our daughter churches: Discovery Bay Church, St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley 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.

We also pray for our link Diocese of Toungoo, Myanmar; for the Rt Revd Dr Saw Shee Sho, his priests, people and ministry.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Peter Ma, Fr Jack Sullivan, Daisy Tai, Kam Tong, Ron Fast, Nie Shi Fa, Kung Lin Cheng Leo, Phyllis Schmitz, Toung Ming, May Cheng, Grace Chan, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Marianne Felch, Mike Chan, Monica Cornelius, Eunice Chan, Chen Kuk Tye, Meena Tsui, Timothy Moreno, Jeshu Yau, Leslie Henderson, Chong Yuk Lau, Margaret Pini, Jessica Assem, John David, Phillip Nicholl, Anthony Chan, Kathryn Lewis, Raymond Yuen, Kathryn McCallen, Caroline Yu, Susan Westlake, Donna Gail Willis, Kong Siu Ming, Carrie McKinnon, Elaine Cogan, Christina Chan and Richard Jones.

Please pray for the recently departed :
George Kyaw Mya (Bishop)

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**.



PARENTS and BABIES + TODDLERS GROUP started again on 1st August. We welcome any parents and their babies to St John's each Thursday in the Fanny Li Hall from 2.30-4.30pm. It is a wonderful time to meet and make friends and share a cup of tea in this busy city. All parents with children up until 2 yrs are very welcome. Vanda Cole 2855 7074

RADIO MINISTRY RTHK4 FM97

The Revd Franklin Lee will be speaking on 'Minutes that Matter' at 9.50am every Tuesday morning in August.

THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Tuesday 6th August 2019
7.30pm Sung Eucharist



Guest Choir: Die Konzertisten

Celebrant: The Revd Robert Martin
Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday 15th August 2019
7.30pm Sung Eucharist



*And blessed is the fruit
of your womb*

Guest Choir: Die Konzertisten

Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

CLERGY

This morning, the Revd Wu Wai Ho is preaching away at HKSKH St Paul's Church.

RESIDENT GUEST CHOIR IN AUGUST

During the month of August, while St John's Cathedral Choir are in summer recess, all choral services will be sung by our resident guest choir, Die Konzertisten, under the direction of our Director of Music, Felix Yeung.

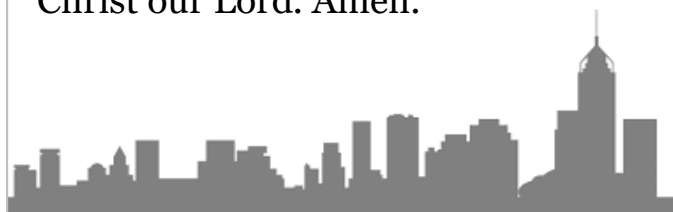
Die Konzertisten (DK) is recognised as one of Hong Kong's foremost chamber choirs. DK aims to bring the finest of artistic experiences to local audiences through performances of repertoire ranging from Renaissance polyphony and Baroque masterpieces, to Romantic delicacies and newly commissioned works. The choir has collaborated with many internationally renowned artists. It is also featured frequently in Hong Kong Arts Festival. A keen advocate of Baroque music, DK formed the city's first-ever baroque orchestra, Cammer Musicus, in 2015. DK has been singing in choral services in the month of August since 2012.

CONGRATULATIONS to ADAM MOK

It is with great joy that we are able to formally announce that Adam Mok, our pastoral assistant, has been recently recommended as a postulant for training for the priesthood in the Province of HKSKH. Adam has been our pastoral assistant at St John's for the last three years and has contributed greatly to the life of the cathedral parish. His ministry has extended through the various cathedral congregations and he has been a solid colleague to the clergy pastoral team. Adam hopes to start his priestly formation at Ming Hua Theological College in September this year. He will be sorely missed by clergy and congregation alike and we wish him every blessing as his journey to ordained ministry continues.

A PRAYER FOR HONG KONG

God of all nations, whose son wept over Jerusalem and longed to gather all its inhabitants under his loving protection, grant us courage to pursue your dream for the future, and wisdom to perceive your will for today; strength to promote justice, and gentleness to be instruments of peace; wisdom to know your will, and grace to put it into practice: may goodness triumph and fear be vanquished; new life abound and love be manifest; so that all creatures are filled with your knowledge and the earth with your glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



EVENING PRAYER FOR OUR CITY Seeking God in a time of trouble

Thursdays in August
8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th
starting at 7.30pm
at the Li Hall

*We will be praying
for peace and reconciliation*

All are welcome

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St John's,

I write this message with a heavy heart. Hong Kong has entered a period of immense conflict, division and tumult over the Extradition Bill. On the one hand, our love for Hong Kong, expressed in different ways has demonstrated our keen concerns. On the other hand, we have seen growing frustration, anger, sadness and anguish to occupy our hearts on the future of our beloved home.

Please do not lose hope. The Christian hope is rooted in the transforming power of Jesus Christ who has overcome the power of darkness and delivered us to the new light of his kingdom. It is in a time of darkness such as this that Christ's light shines the brightest. Jesus Christ is grieving with us at this time of brokenness. He has not abandoned us but is calling us to walk closely with him and to walk closely with each other.

During this troubling time, St John's Cathedral has strived to be an open and sacred space for all people, for quiet reflection and for seeking peace and strength from God. Through a series of special services and sharing gatherings we have prayed for our city and learned to listen, respect and support each other despite of our diverse political views. It is a Christian witness that we can walk together and with each other in love and peace. I invite you to join us for our next gathering titled "Evening Prayer For Our City" to be held on Thursday evenings throughout August 2019 at 7.30pm in the Li Hall. Through silence, scripture and singing, we offer our prayers and concerns for our community.

The power of prayer cannot be underestimated. Through our unceasing prayers God is imparting his grace at this difficult time. Please pray for all those who have the power of influence. Pray for the way we express our views to be conducive to the wellbeing of all. Pray that we may continue to be ambassadors of gentleness and peace and agents of hope for others. Pray for all those who have been injured in different incidents. Pray that, justice, reconciliation and peace may fall upon us soon.

The clergy team and I are here to listen, offer our support and pray with you at this challenging time. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of help.

"Do not fear, for I am with you. Do not be afraid, for I am your God." (Isaiah 41:10) My friends, do not lose hope, have faith in Christ and love one another! God bless you all!

 + The Dean

**LEC Summer Programme
for children and young people.**

7.2019 – 8.2019



LEC Chill Corner
10.8.2019 / 18.8.2019



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**MRS LILY PONG SCHOLARSHIP
FOR CHURCH ORGANISTS
ANNUAL CONCERT 2019**

Sponsored by St Paul's Church and the family of the late Mrs Lily Pong since 2014, the scholarship aims at providing subsidy to existing and potential church organists in Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui to be better equipped with organ playing techniques and church service playing skills. At this end of academic year, the scholarship recipients will be holding the annual concert in the summer. Details are as below:

Date: Saturday, 24th August, 2019
Time: 4.30pm
Venue: St Paul's Church
Glenealy, Central

Free admission and free seating.

For more information, please contact Mr Felix Yeung, Provincial Music Director at (852) 2523 4157. Thank you for your attention.

MICHAELMAS FAIR APPEAL

Just a quick note to remind you that Michaelmas Fair 2019 will be held on Saturday 26th October from 10.00am to 4.00pm. On behalf of the Michaelmas Fair Committee, I would like to thank you all sincerely for your continued support.

Donations needed for our

Wine Bar Second-hand Bookstall
Games Stalls White Elephant Stall
Stamps Stall

Please bring your donations to the Cathedral office during office hour and clearly mark for the Michaelmas Fair. For enquiries, please call 2523 4157.

Stars at St John's

**Michaelmas Fair 2019
St John's Family Night**

Guest of Honour
The Rt Revd Andrew Chan

Friday, 6th September, 7.30pm
Refreshments at 6.45pm

*Programme Vouchers at
\$100 (Side Aisle) & \$200 (Nave)
are available at the Cathedral office*

ENQUIRY: 2523 4157

**You are invited to an evening
of fun and entertainment
highlighting the talents
of our diverse community.**