



# 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.'*

12TH JANUARY 2020

## THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST (THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY)

### **8.00am Said Eucharist** *(See separate order of service)*

Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean  
Reader: James Choo

### **9.00am Worship for All** *(See separate order of service)*

Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee  
Preacher: The Revd Wu Wai Ho  
Communion Setting: 'Worship for All' Setting  
Anthem: God in mine eternity (Alan Bullard)  
Voluntary: Prelude from Prelude and Fugue in G major  
(Johann Sebastian Bach)  
Readers/Intercessor: Worship Team (Cursillo Group)

### **10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)**

Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee  
Preacher: The Revd Wu Wai Ho

### **11.45am Choral Mattins** *(See insert)*

Officiant: The Revd Franklin Lee  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre  
Reader: Gordon Jones

### **1.30pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)**

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

### **5.00pm Healing Eucharist**

Celebrant: The Revd Mark Rogers  
Preacher: The Revd Harry Ching  
Hymns: 425, 57, 56 (omit\*), 495  
Reader: Trevor Fitzsimmons

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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.**

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## THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

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<b>SUN 12th January</b>	12.00noon	Chinese Congregation Fellowship
<b>MON 13th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.30pm	Meditation Group
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
<b>TUE 14th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.00pm	Christians in Central Luncheon (See page 6)
	7.00pm	Bible Reading Fellowship
<b>WED 15th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	9.30am	CLARES
	1.15pm	Lunchtime Recital—A Flute Quartet Lunchtime Recital
	2.30pm	Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese)
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
<b>THU 16th</b>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	Parents and Toddlers
<b>FRI 17th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	3.00pm	Friday Fellowship Group
<b>SAT 18th</b>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Filipino)
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
<b>SUN 19th January</b>	<b>Christian Unity Sunday (The Second Sunday after Epiphany)</b>	
<i>Jeremiah 33.6-9a</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
<i>Psalms 100</i>		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
<i>Ephesians 4.1-6</i>	9.00am	Sung Eucharist
<i>John 17.11b-23</i>		Celebrant: The Dean
		Preacher: The Revd Gustav Jacobsson
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)
		Celebrant: The Revd Wu Wai Ho
		Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—CW
		Celebrant: The Dean
		Preacher: The Revd Harry Ching
	<b>1.30pm</b>	Sung Eucharist (Filipino)
		Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	<b>5.00pm</b>	Choral Evensong
		Officiant: The Revd Robert Martin
		Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis



### **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

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son, anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; 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 10.34-43**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter began to speak to those assembled in the house of Cornelius: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL READING

**Matthew 3.13-end**

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

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

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**In the worldwide Anglican Communion** we pray for Anglican Church of Australia and the Most Revd Philip Leslie Freier, Archbishop of Melbourne & Primate of Australia.

**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 St John the Baptist; for the development of spiritual life through the new spiritual garden and rooms to be used from 2020.

**Within the Cathedral Parish** we pray for the Cathedral church and its various congregations, for the Dean and the chaplains; for our daughter churches; Discovery Bay Church, Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam; St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley, and their Priests in Charge. We also remember Christians in Central, InTouch Magazine, Cathedral Bookstore, Mission For Migrant Workers, HELP For Domestic Workers, SJC Life Enrichment Centre, and St John's Counselling Service.

**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:*

Gareth Williams, Esther Tsen, Denny Tsen, Toung Ming, May Cheng, Annie Kwan, Margaret Pini, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Jennifer D. Ambatcan, Elaine Cogan, Christina Chan, Anthony Chan, Lila Szweda, Lene Bille Hoegh, Justin Ching, Luke Inkin, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Chow Pak Kwan, Chong Yuk Lau, Kong Siu Ming, Jeshu Yau, Ron Fast, Geoff Walsh, Catherine Chan, Eunice Chan, Meena Tsui, Chen Kuk Tye, Mike

Chan, Roger Bebbington, Shirley Nie, Nie Shi Fa, Richard Jones, Tai Yu Hei, John McIntosh, Susan Westlake, Daisy Tai, Donna Gail Willis, Andrew Wong, John David, Timothy Moreno, Kathryn McCallen, Raymond Yuen, Kathryn Lewis, Leslie Henderson, Phyllis Schmitz and Monica Cornelius.

*Please pray for the recently departed:*  
John Willem Mansfield

*The funeral of John Willem Mansfield will be held at St John's on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30pm.*

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.**

*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.*



### A PRAYER FOR HONG KONG

O Saviour Christ, in whose love lies the secret of all life and the hope of all people, we pray for quiet courage to match this hour. We did not choose to be born or live in such an age; but let its problems challenge us, its discoveries exhilarate us, its injustices anger us, its possibilities inspire us and its vigour renew us, for your Kingdom's sake. Amen.



### CLERGY

This morning, the Dean will be preaching at Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam.

### POTLUCK LUNCH

A luncheon will be held today in the Li Hall at 12.45pm to celebrate the 39<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Filipino Fellowship and to farewell the Revd Wu Wai Ho.

### THE 39<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP

The celebration continues at 2.00pm in the Li Hall. You are welcome to join the Afternoon Tea Party and activities including a traditional Highland Filipino Dance. The Revd Franklin Lee will be giving a talk during the celebration.

### St John's Cathedral Life Enrichment Centre 2020 Lunar New Year Fair



TODAY from 10.30am—3.00pm  
in the Cathedral Garden

*All are welcome.*

### FLOWERS

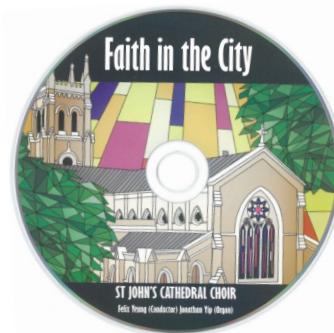
The flower pedestal today is donated in loving memory of Ted Chu from Ellen, Vania and Penney.

The Cathedral Flower Guild thanks Ms. Joanna Chu for her donation to support their works.

### FAREWELL

We are saying farewell to Maggie Chan, our Communications Officer, who has worked at the cathedral over the past 3 1/2 years. Under her, the communications fronts of the cathedral such as the In Touch Magazine, website and publicity of events have been nicely produced to help us promote the work of the church. We are grateful for her hard work, creativity and dedication. We wish her Godspeed in her future endeavour.

### NEW CHOIR ALBUM 'FAITH IN THE CITY'



As part of our 170<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, the Cathedral Choir has produced a new album called 'Faith in the City'.

The repertoire includes music that has connection with St John's past and present. The album can be purchased from the Cathedral bookstore for HK\$100 per copy. A fantastic idea for presents.

### RADIO MINISTRY ON RTHK4 FM97

The Revd Will Newman will be speaking on 'Minutes that Matter' at 9.50am every Tuesday morning in January 2020.



**CHRISTIANS IN CENTRAL**  
**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020**  
**1.00pm Li Hall**

Topic:

*The pleasure and pitfalls of serving  
the Hong Kong community—  
A reflection of a life-long civil servant*

Speaker:

*Mrs Rachel Cartland*

Rachel Cartland was born in UK, graduated from Oxford University in 1972 then joined the Administrative Grade of the Hong Kong Civil Service where she worked until her retirement in early 2006. During her time with Government she served in a variety of posts and had wide experience of policy formulation, civil service operation and the impact of government on the ground. She is a regular co-host on *Backchat*, the flagship news discussion programme on RTHK Radio 3 and a contributor to *Business Matters* on BBC World Service. Rachel is involved with different local NGOs, including The Women's Foundation and the City Chamber Orchestra of Hong Kong. Her membership of the St. John's congregation is an important part of her life. She, her husband, their two children and their families are all settled in Hong Kong. Her memoir under the title *Paper Tigress* was published by Blacksmith Books in 2013 and reprinted in 2015.

Entry ticket at \$60 each, soup and sandwiches will be supplied from 12.45pm onward. Tickets are available at the Cathedral Bookstore. Booking can also be made by emailing to : [reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk) or call the Cathedral office at 2523 4157.

**St John's Cathedral**  
**Vacancy:**  
**Communications Officer**

St John's Cathedral, a vibrant Anglican Cathedral with extensive spiritual and community programmes and events, is seeking a Communications Officer to coordinate, design and produce promotional materials, publish the quarterly magazine, manage the website and prepare press releases.

Applicants should be experienced in publications design, editorial and IT skills and have a wide knowledge of the Christian church. Excellent spoken and written English will be required of the successful candidate and an ability to read and speak Chinese would be an advantage.

Working hours : Full-time.

Please email a C.V. and an indication of salary expected by 18<sup>th</sup> January to  
[dean@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:dean@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)

**SJC BOOKSTORE**

**Opening Hours**  
**during the Chinese New Year:**

25<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (Saturday)  
Lunar New Year Day  
10.00am - 2.00pm

26<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (Sunday)  
The Second Day of Lunar New Year  
9.00am - 5.00pm

27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (Monday)  
The Third Day of Lunar New Year  
10.00am - 2.00pm

28<sup>th</sup> January 2020 (Tuesday)  
The Fourth Day of Lunar New Year  
10.00am - 2.00pm

## 'FAITH BEGINS'

**Wednesday evenings  
5<sup>th</sup> February—16<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

'Faith Begins' is a course for adult baptism and confirmation at St John's Cathedral. The course is for people who have been worshipping for at least three months in the cathedral parish.

The course explores the Christian faith in a relaxed atmosphere with a meal and informal discussion. 'Faith Begins' is rooted in the Anglican tradition which values the bible, tradition, and reason, and interprets them in the light of a modern understanding about life and the world we live in. For further information please see the 'Faith Begins' leaflet.

**How do I enrol?** Just send your contact details to Revd Will Newman at [newman@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:newman@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)

**Registration deadline:  
15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

## NARCISSUS SALE

The beautiful and fragrant Narcissus symbolizing Chinese New Year will be on sale at the Cathedral soon! They are the results of much labour of love from our Women's League members who have spent 6 weeks of coaching these flowers to shape and nurture them to perfection!

You are invited to come with your family members and friends to enjoy the beauty and fragrance of the flowers. You can also bring home your selection joyfully to welcome the Year of the Rat.

Please acquire them to grace your homes and generate proceeds for the Cathedral!

**Dates:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January  
2.00pm—7.00pm  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2020  
9.00am—4.00pm

**Place:** Cathedral Garden



## Michaelmas Fair Walkathon 2020

**Date:** 16<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 (Sunday)

**Time:** 11.00am (11.45am for Mandarin congregation)

**Route 1:** The Peak

**Route 2:** Hong Kong Zoological and Botanical Gardens

Prizes for School Teams, Individuals, and Family/Ministry/Buddies Teams

Lunch after the walk from 12.30pm  
Good food and fellowship

HK\$50 (adult) / \$20 (full-time student)

All proceeds will go towards supporting the Cathedral and its various ministries.

## ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

**Dean:** The Very Revd Matthias Der

### Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:

Community Building — The Revd Franklin Lee  
Christian Education — The Revd Will Newman  
(*Priest-In-Charge of St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley*)

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

Liturgy and Spirituality — The Revd Robert Martin  
(*Priest-In-Charge of Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam*)

Filipino Ministry —  
The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre  
The Revd Sharon Langbis

Chinese Ministry —  
The Revd Canon Peter Koon  
The Revd Wu Wai Ho

### Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Jenny Wong Nam

### 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](http://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/2.00pm/6.00pm 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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