

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.'

13TH SEPTEMBER 2020 THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Revd Jenny Wong Nam

Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee

Communion Service (John Rutter)

Hymns: 461, 66, Make me a channel of your peace,

O God beyond all praising

12th September Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese) <u>https://youtu.be/YAXml7NU1Lo</u>

13th September Sunday Eucharist and Choral Evensong

9.00am Sung Eucharist (English) <u>https://youtu.be/4CPoyoTq1Ho</u>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin) https://youtu.be/ZUE6zpX vtE

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino) <u>https://youtu.be/NMCobBHi4Uw</u>

5.00pm Choral Evensong <u>https://youtu.be/B-I3SE7Hllo</u>

14th September Monday Holy Cross Day

7.30pm Sung Eucharist (English) <u>https://youtu.be/soVg7ILv7q8</u>

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COLLECT

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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 Romans 14.1-12

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarrelling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgement on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgement on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honour of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honour of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honour of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgement on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgement seat of God. For it is written, 'As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.' So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

GOSPEL READING Matthew 18.21-35

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Peter came and said to Jesus, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

'For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Anglican Church of South America and The Most Revd Gregory James Venables, Presiding Bishop of the Anglican Church of South America & Bishop of Argentina.

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 Calvary Church; for The Revd Dr Eric Lau, all the staff and volunteers serving in the parish; may God protect and keep them in body and spirit; may all church members be united, working for the Lord with singleness of heart; for the Bible study of Revelation; for the Emmaus Nurture program and Growth program so that more people could be formed and established in Christ; for the parish's primary schools and secondary schools; may God's word be received by the students; for the spread of the Gospel at S.K.H. Holy Cross Primary School; for the parish's social services, for the neighborhood; may God's love could reach everybody's heart.

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, St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley, Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam; and their Priests in Charge. We pray for the search of the new Dean. We also remember our

Council members, Cathedral Staff, Cathedral Servers, Cathedral Sidesmen, Poverty Alleviation Group, our Prison Ministry, Music Ministry, and Lunchtime Recitals.

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

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri, Wong Ho Ying, Gareth Williams, Grace Sun, CJ Verdejo, Christina Poon, Philip Yeung, Robert Chan, Leung Siu Tim, Richard Jones, Daniel Lee, Tai Yu Hei, Donald Nip, Daisy Tai, Kathryn Lewis, Susan Westlake, Cath Dalton, Faye Butcher, Lene Bille Hoegh, Margaret Pini, Tai Choi Yeng, Michael Banyard, Charity Angelmyer, Tsui Man Fong, Francesca Lorenzi, May Cheng, Toung Ming, Nie Shi Fa, Shirley Nie, Catherine Chan, Wong Lai King, Chong Yuk Lau, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Raymond Yuen, Jake Pitts, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, John Banigan, Jesher Yau, Anthony Chan, John David, Geoff Walsh, Chen Kuk Tye, Leslie Henderson, David Holme, Donna Gail Willis, John Butcher, Luke Inkin, Timothy Moreno, Elaine Cogan, Janice Currie, Christina Chan, Meena Tsui, Monica Cornelius, Heather Little, John McIntosh and Phyllis Schmitz.

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

Please pray for the recently departed: Chris Choi

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**.

PRAYER IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

Dear Lord, as we continue to journey through this period of pandemic and social distancing, help us to proclaim that; we are not people of fear: we are people of courage. We are not people who protect our own safety: we are people who protect our neighbours' safety. We are not people of greed: we are people of generosity. We are your people God, giving and loving, wherever we are, whatever it costs For as long as it takes wherever you call us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



British Methodist Conference (adapted)

DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTION

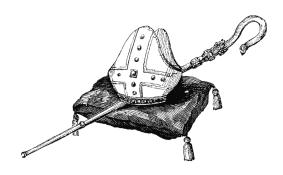
Starting from Monday 14th September 2020, an audio clip titled 'Daily Gospel Reflection' will be distributed to subscribers of St John's Updates by WhatsApp every weekday. Through these voice messages, our clergy will provide us with spiritual food for personal meditation.

If you wish to receive daily audio clips by mobile phone, please follow the steps below:

- add the Cathedral mobile number 9506 2311 to the contact list of your mobile phone
- send a message of 'subscribe to St John's Updates' to the number via WhatsApp

You will also receive updates about our Cathedral activities.

By providing us with your mobile phone number, you consent to receive messages from the Cathedral office through WhatsApp. For more information about the collection of personal information by the Cathedral, please refer to our website <code>https://www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk</code>



CONSECRATION OF DEAN MATTHIAS DER AS BISHOP CO-ADJUTOR

It will soon be time to say 'Thank You' and 'Farewell' to Dean Matthias, and to wish him well in his new ministry as Bishop of the Diocese of Hong Kong Island. His Bishop's seat will be at St John's Cathedral so we will continue to benefit from his leadership.

As a token of appreciation for Matthias' ministry at St John's, we are appealing for donations for a farewell gift to be presented to him at his Consecration as Bishop Co-adjutor on 3rd October 2020, Saturday at 3.00pm.

Dean Matthias' remarkable gift is to be a unifier of our disparate congregations, outreach programmes, and ministries. He has proven to be a wise leader who has helped navigate our ship through our 170th anniversary celebrations, the social movements, and more recently the COVID-19 pandemic. He has done so with a clear vision for our Cathedral which is "a place of God's grace, welcoming all, following Christ and changing lives in the heart of Hong Kong."

We wish him every good wish and blessing in his new role, and hope you will contribute generously to this appeal.

Martin Matsui & John Li Trustees

Your gifts can be made:

- on the Cathedral website Please put 'Thanks and Farewell Dean Matthias' in the Message Box at the bottom of the online donation form.
- in cash or cheque Please designate your gift for 'Thanks and Farewell Dean Matthias' and make your cheque payable to **St John's Cathedral**.

Receipts are available upon request at the Cathedral office.

NOTICES

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS

In support of the health measures issued by the Centre for Health Protection, the cathedral has shortened its opening hours to

Church Sundays 10.30am—3.00pm

Weekdays 7.00am—4.00pm Saturdays 7.00am—3.00pm Public Holidays 10.00am—3.00pm

Office Weekdays 9.00am-4.00pm

Starting from 21st September, the opening hours will be

Church Sundays 10.30am—3.00pm

Weekdays
Saturdays
Public Holidays
7.00am—6.00pm
7.00am—3.00pm
9.00am—4.00pm

Office Weekdays 9.00am-5.00pm

TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF VEHICLE ACCESS ON LOWER ALBERT ROAD

As works are being carried out at the main entrance of Justice Place, vehicle access via Lower Albert Road to the Cathedral ground is closed from Wednesday 5th August to Saturday 19th September. Pedestrians can still walk through the passageway via Lower Albert Road to enter the Cathedral ground. For those driving into the Cathedral ground, please use the Garden Road main gate.





Since the beginning of 2020, all parts of the world have been raged by the COVID-19 (Cornonavirus Disease 2019), which has greatly affected the lives and work of people from all walks of life. Art can help relieve emotional stress and also help discover our creative potentiality. St John's Cathedral Life Enrichment Centre hopes to bring positive energy to everyone through the "2020 Creative Art Contest". We welcome young people and public to participate.

Entry categories

- Junior Group (Primary 1 to 6 students)
- Senior Group (Secondary 1 to 6 students)
- · Open Group (Persons aged 18 or above)

Judging criteria

A jury composed of senior professionals selects the winning works according to their aesthetics, composition, creativity and the use of Zentangle inspired patterns.

Artwork Submission

Participants must download the registration form from the online channels designated by the Organizer and submit it in person or mail to the following address on or before October 15, 2020 (Thursday) along with samples of completed works:

St. John's Cathedral Life Enrichment Center 4-8 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong The envelope must be marked "2020 Creative Art Contest" and also note: "Don't bend"

Results Announcement

The list of winners will be announced online on November 16, 2020 (Monday). Winners will be notified by email.

Prizes

- All participants will receive an electronic certificate of excellence from the Organizer.
- The jury will select three most promising creative works from each group of submitted works.
- Each winner will receive a cash voucher worth HK\$800 and a certificate of the most promising creative work.
- All submitted works will be made into videos and used for exhibition purposes in the future.



Reference

Download the participation form





Facebook Page

Google Drive

Please follow the Facebook page for contest updates

Enquiry: 25230531 Email: elijahfung@stjohnlec.com

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 Amos Poon (Mission and Ministry)

Honorary Chaplains:

The Revd Jenny Wong Nam 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)	
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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.	
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