

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'

22ND APRIL 2018 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Desmond Cox

Reader: Letty Awingan

9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Very Revd Matthias Der Preacher: The Revd Desmond Cox Deacon: The Revd Catherine Graham

Communion Setting: Festive Eucharist (Noel Rawsthorne)

Psalm: 23 (Hylton Stewart) Hymns: 457i, 282, 459, 463ii

Anthem: The Lord is my shepherd (Howard Goodall)
Readers/Intercessor: Susan King, Dolores Dayao/Kevin She

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Wu Wai Ho

Preacher: Adam Mok

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist (CW) - with Children's Baptism (See separate order of service)

Celebrant: The Revd Catherine Graham Preacher: The Revd Desmond Cox

Hymns: 374, 459, 457i, Great is thy faithfulness

Reader: Karmen Kar

2.00pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Dwight dela Torre

6.00pm Evening Prayer in Taizé style—with Brothers from Taizé

Officiant: The Revd Will Newman

Reader: William Cheng

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.**

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

SUN 22 nd April	12.00noon 12.30pm	Chinese Congregation Fellowship (NO meeting) Youth Fellowship Group (NO meeting)
MON 23 rd	8.00am <i>12.30pm</i> 1.00pm	Said Eucharist Meditation Group One o'clock Prayer
TUE 24 th	8.00am 1.00pm <i>7.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Bible Reading Fellowship
WED 25 th	8.00am 9.30am 12.00noon 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist (English) CLARES Said Eucharist (Cantonese) Lunchtime Recital—TWGH's E Major Ensemble 'Lunchtime Music Gathering' Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese)
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 26 th	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers meeting
FRI 27 th	8.00am 1.00pm 3.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Friday Fellowship Group
SAT 28 th	8.30am 12.00pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 29th April The Fifth Sunday of Easter		
Acts 8.26-end	8.00am	Said Eucharist
Psalm 22-25-end 1 John 4-7-end John 15.1-8	9.00am	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Desmond Cox
	10.30am	Preacher: Brother Christopher John SSF Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Very Revd Matthias Der
	11.45am	Preacher: The Revd Peter Koon Responsorial Eucharist—Provincial Celebrant: The Revd Jenny Wong Nam
	2.00pm	Preacher: Brother Christopher John SSF Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Dwight dela Torre
	6.00pm	Labyrinth Service Officiant: 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

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 4.5-12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

The Jewish rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the highpriestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, 'By what power or by what name did you do this?' Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is

"the stone that was rejected by you, the builders:

it has become the cornerstone." There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved.'

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

PSALM 23

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He shall feed me in a green pasture : and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.
- 3 He shall convert my soul: and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness, for his Name's sake.
- 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff comfort me.
- 5 Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: thou hast anointed my head with oil, and my cup shall be full.
- 6 But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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 1 John 3.16-24

A reading from the first letter of John.

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?

Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

GOSPEL READING John 10.11-18

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

Jesus said to the Pharisees: 'I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me. because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.'

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Ascension of Our Lord

Thursday, 10th May 2018 7.30pm Sung Eucharist



Celebrant: The Revd Mark Rogers Preacher: The Revd Will Newman

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan) and The Most Revd Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu, Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido.

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

We pray for the Church of Shalom; we give thanks for the building of good relationships between schools and social service units in the area. We pray for God's guidance as we plan and prepare the new chapel's construction.

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 for their Priests in Charge. We also remember Mission For Migrant Workers, HIV Education Centre and HELP For Domestic Workers.

We also pray for our link Diocese of Toungoo, Myanmar; for Bishop John Wilme, his priests and people. We pray for the evangelistic and mission mission work conducted throughout the Diocese.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick: Tim, Lexie and Toby Nicholls, Richard Teh, Teo Kim Puah, Lawrence Lam, Tang Chi Luen, Donna Gail Willis, May Cheng, Toung Ming, Feng Xiao, Daisy Chan, Nie Shi Fa, Steven Hui Pei Hang, Lee Tat Keung, Axel Ng, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Christopher Gower, Henry Wu Mou Wai, Kathryn Lewis, Baby Colton, Simon Li, Daisy Tai, Marianne Felch, The Revd Anthony Yates, Bp Kenneth Mason, Monica Cornelius, Chen Kuk Tye, Rainer W Rommel, Lam Lai Fong, Raymond Yuen, Elaine Cogan, Gardy Raymundo, Margaret Pini, Al Carther, Albert Quimpo, Lok Yee Jeli, Lau Yim Fong, Chong Yuk Lau, Yau Sau Chun, Carrie McKinnon, Victor Chan, William Ching, Geoff and Karrie Walsh, Canon David Dang, Chow Lie Ying, Kathryn McCallen, Helen Roberts, Isaac Wiens, Christian Limon Gamen, Betty Young, Caius Schwartz, Susan Westlake, Mike Chan, Anthony Chan, Brenda & Gerald Bishop, Tony & Edita Bishop, Mark & Helen Bishop, Chris & David Hayter, Robert & Doris Sandie.

Please pray for the recently departed: Florence Campbell Charles Graeme Large Frankie Nicholls

In Memoriam Kenneth Edward Brown Margaret Ferris

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.**

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TAIZÉ BROTHERS

Our 6.00pm service today, Evening Prayer in the style of Taizé, will be joined by Brothers from the Christian Community of Taizé in France. They are here to prepare for Taizé Hong Kong, an International Meeting of Young Adults from Hong Kong, Asia and all over the world, from 8th-12th August. In the spirit of Taizé, the theme of the meeting is 'A Pilgrimage of Trust and Reconciliation'. Young adults in Hong Kong are most welcome to register and join the meeting. During the meeting in August, midday and evening prayers in the style of Taizé will be held each day at St John's as well as at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, replacing our regular services.

CLERGY

The morning, Fr Dwight is leading an Ecumencal Service at Chater Road West in celebration of HK Cordillera Day, assisted by the SJC Filipino Fellowship Choir.

DR MARK GANDOLFI

After serving as the Director of the St John's Cathedral Counselling Service for the last 11 years, Dr Mark Gandolfi will be leaving the cathedral as he takes up a new position in Thailand. His last working day with us will be 23rd April.

We are grateful for his significant contribution to the development of the Counselling Service and give thanks to God for the care he has given to those who came to seek help. Under his leadership, the Counselling Service has grown tremendously in both the scope and quality of our services for which we are thankful.

A transitional team with a group of experienced counsellors will be in place upon Dr Mark's departure and the operation and ministry of the Counselling Service will be maintained to its professional standards during this time of transition.

MICHAELMAS FAIR WALKATHON 2018

TODAY (start at 11.00am)

JOIN NOW by contacting our volunteers at the registration desk.

Lunch after the walk from 12.30pm HKD50 (adult) HKD20 (full-time student)

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

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

on Sunday 29th April at 1.00pm in the Li Hall

In order to be more environmentally friendly, the Annual Report booklets for this meeting can be found on www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk
Limited hard copies will be available on the day.

'GRACE IN A BUSY WEEK' - a time of reading ancient scripture for a contemporary life.

How do we live out our Christian understanding in our work place and experience Christ in our busyness?

Join our monthly Bible study group at 12.30pm to 1.30 pm in the Harold Smyth Room on the last Friday of each month. (The study group will be conducted in English.)

Bring your own lunch and your sense of curiosity and discover a moment of grace. All are welcome. Please sign up at dean@stjohnscathedral.org.hk. (maximum 15 participants)

RADIO MINISTRY

On RTHK4 FM97.6 -The Revd Desmond Cox will be speaking on 'Minutes that Matter' at 9.50am every Tuesday morning in April. The theme is 'Walking through Easter'.

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui 20th Anniversary Thanksgiving Dinner

To commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the Inauguration of the Province of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui in 2018, the Province has organised a series of activities so that parishes, schools and social service units could celebrate together and illuminate the society with God's light.

The Thanksgiving Eucharist and Dinner will be held on Saturday 6th October at AsiaWorld-Expo, Tung Chung. The service will start at 3.00pm in Runway 11 and the dinner at 6.30pm in Hall 2. Local and overseas guests, parishioners, and representatives from schools and social service units are invited to participate and share the joy together in God's love.

If you would like to attend the Thanks-giving Dinner, please reserve your seat(s) through the Cathedral office on or before Thursday 26th April. The dining fee is set at HK\$350 per person. We hope to have at least 5 tables from the Cathedral.

The Province calls upon parishioners the overall expenses of the celebration. You may make donation through the Provincial website.

CLARES Designer Sale

Saturday 28th April 2018 10.00am - 2.00pm in the Li Hall

Come and snap up a bargain!

We will be selling gently used designer clothing also jewellery and curios.

All proceeds go to local charities.

HKSKH Ming Hua Theological College

The Revd Professor John Kater Lecture Series

THE BIBLE IN SIX CHAPTERS

Wednesdays, 7.30pm – 9.30pm 25 April, 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 May 2018

St Paul's Church Lok Wo Centre (*G/F*, *5 Glenealy, directly across the street from St Paul's Kindergarten*)

We all know that the Bible is a book composed of hundreds, perhaps thousands, of stories, many of which are well known to us: Noah's Ark, David and Goliath, the Prodigal Son, the Conversion of Paul. But the Bible is also ONE story: the story of God's dealings with the world through our spiritual ancestors the Jews, through Jesus and through the Church that followed him.

This course of open lectures will offer a way to approach the Bible as one story written in six 'chapters'—BEGINNINGS, PROMISES, PROPHETS, GOOD NEWS, SPIRIT AND ENDINGS - and highlight what each of them tells us about God.

Lecture in English Free of charge; donation preferred

Enquiry: Miss Nancy Ngan (2521 7708/2536 7566 / nancy@minghua.org.hk)

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

Dean: The Very Revd Matthias Der

Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:

Fellowship & Community Building—The Revd Desmond Cox Nurturing & Spirituality—The Revd Will Newman Outreach Ministry—The Revd Mark Rogers Pastoral Care—The Revd Catherine Graham Liturgy and Worship—The Revd Robert Martin Filipino Ministry—The Revd Dwight dela Torre Chinese Ministry—The Revd Canon Peter Koon & The Revd Wu Wai Ho

Honorary Chaplains:

The Revd John Chynchen The Revd Jenny Wong Nam

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Viola Ip

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