

# 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'

# 25TH FEBRUARY 2018 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

#### 8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham

Reader: Dolores Dayao

9.00am Sung Eucharist (RTHK Broadcast) (See separate service book)

Celebrant: The Very Revd Matthias Der Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham

Communion Setting: Book of Common Prayer Noted (John Merbecke)
Hymns
Lent Prose, (verse 2), 238, 172 (T.443), 68,

**76 (omit \*)** 

Anthem: Come, my Way (David Cooper)
Reader/Intercessor: Andrew Ashley/Robert Bull

10.30am Sung Eucharist (Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Very Revd Matthias Der Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—Common Worship

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

Hymns: 338 (omit \*), 76 (omit \*), I, the Lord of sea

and sky, **420** 

Reader/Intercessor: Karmen Kar/Kevin She

2.00pm Sung Eucharist (in English)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

6.00pm Taizé Evening Prayer

Officiant: The Revd Will Newman
Preacher: The Revd Mark Rogers
Reader: Trevor Fitzsimmons

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 25 <sup>th</sup> February	12.00noon 12.30pm	Chinese Congregation Fellowship Lent Course (Cantonese) (Library)	
MON 26 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am 8.30am 12.30pm 1.00pm	Said Eucharist Lent Course (English) (Harold Smyth Room) Meditation Group One o'clock Prayer	
TUE 27 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am 1.00pm <i>7.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Lent Course (English) (Upper Room)	
WED 28 <sup>th</sup>	8.00am 9.30am 12.00noon 1.15pm 2.30pm 7.30pm	Said Eucharist (English) CLARES Said Eucharist (Cantonese) Lunchtime Recital—Concert with May String Orchestra (16) Lent Course (Cantonese) (Conference Room) Sung Eucharist (English)	
THU 1 <sup>st</sup> March	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers meeting	
FRI 2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.00am 1.00pm <i>3.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist Stations of the Cross Lent Course (English) (Harold Smyth Room)	
SAT 3 <sup>rd</sup>	8.30am 12.00noon 1.30pm 4.00pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) Lent Course (Filipino) Conference Room Lent Course (Cantonese) Harold Smyth Room Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)	
SUN 4th March The Third Sunday of Lent			
Exodus 20.1-17 Psalm 19.7-14 1 Corinthians 1.18-25 John 2.13-22	8.00am 9.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Wu Wai Ho	
	10.30am	Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon	
	11.45am	Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der Responsorial Eucharist—Common Worship Celebrant: The Revd Desmond Cox Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der	
	2.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino)	
	6.00pm	Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Dwight dela Torre Choral Evensong Officiant: The Revd Mark Rogers Preacher: The Revd Will Newman	

#### **COLLECT**

Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### FIRST READING Romans 4.13-end

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become 'the father of many nations', according to what was said, 'So numerous shall your descendants be.' He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he

gave glory to God, being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore his faith 'was reckoned to him as righteousness.' Now the words, 'it was reckoned to him', were written not for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

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

#### GOSPEL READING Mark 8.31-end

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. Glory to you O Lord

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus began to teach his disciples that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be

killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, 'Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but

on human things.'

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, 'If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

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

#### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty God, you see that we have no power of ourselves to help ourselves; keep us both outwardly in our bodies, and inwardly in our souls; that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America and The Most Revd Sturdie Downs, Primate of Iarca & Bishop of Nicaragua.

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 HKSKH Church of the Epiphany, pray that the Lord will lead the church in her growth and development as a whole. Pray that the Lord bless the church in her ministry of evangelizing and nurturing the Anglican schools and kindergarten of the parish, establishing the Christian spirit and faith, pastoring and nurturing the students and teaching staff.

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, HELP For Domestic Workers and HIV Education Centre.

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 work conducted throughout the Diocese. Please also pray for Debbie McGowan from St John's who is teaching English in Toungoo at the moment.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick: Kathryn Lewis, Steven Hui Pei Hang, Helen Roberts, Christopher Gower, The Revd Anthony Yates, Monica Cornelius, Donna Gail Willis, Henry Wu Mou Wai, Toung Ming, May Cheng, Jaime Ezra Smith, Spencer Jimball Smith, Nie Shi Fa, Feng Xiao, Lam Lai Fong, Simon Li, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Al Carther, Geoff and Karrie Walsh, William Ching, Lok Yee Jeli, Canon David Dang, Lau Yim Fong, Yau Sau Chun, Margaret Pini, Victor Chan, Daisy Tai, Marianne Felch, Daisy Chan, Chong Yuk Lau, Chow Lie Ying, Cheung Ming Kwan, Kathryn McCallen, Bp Kenneth Mason, Carrie McKinnon, Isaac Wiens, Betty Young, Mike Chan, Raymond Yuen, Axel Ng, Baby Colton, Christian Limon Gamen, Choi Tak Wai, Caius Schwartz, Elaine Cogan, Frankie Nicholls, Chen Kuk Tye, Anthony Chan, Susan Westlake, Tony & Edita Bishop, Brenda & Gerald Bishop, Chris & David Hayter, Robert & Doris Sandie, Mark & Helen Bishop.

Please pray for the recently departed: Elliot Odell, Katharine Wareham, David Skinner, John Thompson, 金新宇Sing Yui King, Priest

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.** 

Information about St John's Cathedral and its ministries can be found at the Welcoming Table after the 9.00 am service, 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. (花園道4-8號) Tel: 2523 4157

# MING HUA THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE Graduation Ceremony

will be held this afternoon at 5.00pm at St Paul's Church. All are welcome. Dean Matthias will be the preacher in the ceremony. We offer our heartfelt congratulations to the following parishioners of the Cathedral who will be graduating and receiving an award.

Master of Theology: Cheung Ting Kin

Master of Divinity: Lau Wai Lun

Certificate of Foundational Liturgical Studies: Chui Ka Lai, Tong Wai Lun, Wong Kwong Chau Andrew

Certificate of Intermediate Liturgical Studies: Chui Ka Lai, Tong Wai Lun

Certificate of Introduction of Ignatian Spirituality: Chan Mei Mui Simmy, Joanna Wong, Mak Yuen Yee Lois, Wong Kwong Chau Andrew, Yeung Kwok Choi Birdy

The Ven Cheung Siu Kwai Education Fund for Academic Achievement Award: Andrea Kan

## CELEBRATION & APPRECIATION DINNER

for **The Reverend Hugh and Mrs Hugh Phillipson** 

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.30pm Garden Lounge, Hong Kong Club

Please come and join us as we bid farewell to Fr Hugh and Ruth and celebrate the wonderful contribution that they have made to the life of St John's over the years

Tickets HK\$500 are available at the Cathedral Office. Deadline: 15<sup>th</sup> March

# CHRISTIANS IN CENTRAL on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at 1.00pm in the Li Hall

Speaker: Mr Herbert Tsoi
Topic: 'Will Making 101 and Beyond'

Soup and sandwich lunch will be provided from 12.45pm. Tickets at \$60 each are available at the Cathedral Bookstore. Reservation can also be made by phone at 2523 4157, email to: reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

Mr Herbert Tsoi Hak-kong, BBS, JP has a distinguished career in the legal profession. He is a Notary Public and a China-appointed Attesting Officer and has served as President of The Law Society of Hong Kong. In recognition of his significant contributions to the community and the legal profession, he was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 2001 and was awarded a Bronze Bauhinia Star in 2006 by the HKSAR Government.

#### **POVERTY ALLEVIATION**

# St Barnabas Society Day Care Centre

 $Saturday\ 10^{th}\ March\ 4.00pm\text{-}6.00pm$ 

Volunteers are needed to entertain the seniors and homeless in Western District, and to help serve dinner.

Please contact Fr Mark to register or for more information at rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

# St Stephen's Chapel Stanley Annual Ceilidh

6.30pm Saturday 3rd March

Tang Shiu Kin Hall, St Stephen's College, 22 Tung Tau Wan Road, Stanley

An evening of fun for all ages! Scottish dancing with live music, pipes and drums, curry supper, and cash bar

All proceeds will go to the charities we support



#### **LENT 2018**

### SERVICES THROUGH LENT

Mondays in Lent

8.00am Said Eucharist

Tuesdays in Lent

8.00am Said Eucharist

Wednesdays in Lent

8.00am Said Eucharist

6.00pm Said Eucharist

Thursdays in Lent

8.30am Said Eucharist (Cantonese)

1.15pm Said Eucharist

Fridays in Lent

23/2, 2/3, 9/3, 16/3, 23/3

8.00am Said Eucharist

1.00pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturdays in Lent

8.30am Said Eucharist

12.00pm Said Eucharist

6.00pm Sung Eucharist (Cantonese)

SUNDAYS of LENT

(Usual Sunday Services)

#### **LENT COURSES**

This year 2018, the Province of HKSKH encourages all parishes and missionary churches to study together in Lent with the book 'Following Jesus: Six Marks of Discipleship' which is written by The Revd Dr John Kater. Come and join one of the courses at St John's or Discovery Bay Church. Let us journey spiritually together in this Lent. (Course material is available at the Cathedral Bookstore.)

#### COURSES AT ST JOHN'S

#### Mondays

26/2, 5/3, 12/3, 19/3, 26/3 8.30am (English) Harold Smyth Room

#### **Tuesdays**

20/2, 27/2, 6/3, 13/3, 20/3, 27/3 7.00pm (*English*) Upper Room

#### Wednesdays

21/2, 28/2, 7/3, 14/3, 21/3, 28/3 2.30pm (*Cantonese*) Conference Room

#### Fridays

23/2, 2/3

3.00pm (English) Harold Smyth Room

9/3, 16/3, 23/3

3.00pm (English) Conference Room

#### Saturdays

24/2, 3/3, 17/3, 24/3, 31/3 1.30pm (*Filipino*) Conference Room 10/2, 24/2, 3/3, 10/3, 17/3, 24/3 4.00pm (*Cantonese*) Harold Smyth Room

### **Sundays**

11/2, 25/2, 4/3, 11/3, 18/3, 25/3 12.30pm (*Cantonese*) Library

#### COURSE AT DB CHURCH

# Mondays

<u>26/2, 5/3, 12/3, 19/3, 26/3</u> 9.00am (*English*) Discovery Bay Church

# ANNUAL LENT RETREAT

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 9.00am - 3.00pm Tao Fong Shan

#### Theme:

Servants of God: dynamic, faithful and relevant.

Led by The Revd Dr John Kater

Professor John Kater will lead three reflective sessions based on the key theme in his latest book, 'Following Jesus: Disciples: Six Marks of Discipleship'. This book is specially written for the HKSKH and is this year's Provincial Lent Study Book.



#### RADIO MINISTRY on RTHK4 FM97.6

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

# **Important information**

While in the Cathedral please watch your personal possessions. Never leave bags unattended. If you feel unsafe at any time, please let a staff member or sidesman know.

#### THE HONG KONG WELSH MALE VOICE CHOIR AND THE BRITISH BRASS COMPANY OF HONG KONG PRESENT:

St. David's Day Concert

St. John's Cathedral Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March, 7.30pm Admission free (retiring collection, net proceeds to SJC Outreach Ministries) Enquiries: 6688 2534

The Hong Kong Welsh Male Voice Choir, now entering its fortieth year, joins forces with the new British Brass Company of Hong Kong to present a collection of pieces in celebration of St. David's Day, under the directorship of Colin Touchin.

The British Brass Company of Hong Kong has grown in recent months from an idea that a British-style Brass Band would be a good addition to the music scene in Hong Kong.

Pieces for the evening include the world premiere of Fanfare for St. David by Colin Touchin, Welsh favourites and pieces for choir and brass by Edward Elgar and Arthur Sullivan.

### A TRIP TO THE DIOCESE OF TOUNGOO 3<sup>rd</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Revd Catherine Graham will lead a trip to our link Diocese in Toungoo leaving on the 3<sup>rd</sup> March.

During that time she will lead a retreat for the clergy on discipleship and preach at the Cathedral. During the visit St John's Cathedral parishioners Enoch Lieu, Fiona Lo, Lee and Helen Chubb, Andrea Nye from St Stephen's Chapel Stanley will visit parishes in the Diocese and see the work of the Diocese. It will be an opportunity to learn and engage in the mission of the Anglican Church in Toungoo. During the visit they will attend the graduation at St Peter's School.

#### 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 Hugh Phillipson The Revd Jenny Wong Nam

# **Executive Administrator:**

Viola Ip

#### **Outreach Ministries:**

Cathedral Bookstore CLARES/Castaways HELP for Domestic Workers HIV Education Centre Mission for Migrant Workers Prison Ministry SJC Counselling Centre

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Welcome to St John's Cathedral!			
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Name of spouse (if app	licable)		
Names and ages of child	dren (if applicable)		
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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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