

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.'

9TH SEPTEMBER 2018 THE FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Desmond Cox

Reader: Dolores Dayao

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

(with Sunday School Commissioning)

Celebrant: The Revd Catherine Graham

Preacher: The Very Revd Christopher Chataway

Deacon: The Very Revd Matthias Der Communion Setting: 'Worship for All' Setting

Anthem: I am the Bread of life (Simon Lole)

Readers/Intercessor: Worship Team

10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Wu Wai Ho

Preacher: Adam Mok

11.45am Choral Mattins (See insert)

Officiant: The Revd Catherine Graham Preacher: The Revd John Chynchen

Reader: John Breen

2.00pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Dwight dela Torre

6.00pm Healing Eucharist

Officiant: The Very Revd Matthias Der

Preacher: The Revd Mark Rogers

Hymns: For the healing of the nations (Page 4),

Be still, for the presence of the Lord (Page 4),

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Reader: Mark Tse

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 9th September	12.00noon	Chinese Congregation Fellowship
MON 10th	8.00am <i>12.30pm</i> 1.00pm	Said Eucharist Meditation Group One o'clock Prayer
TUE 11th	8.00am 1.00pm <i>7.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Bible Reading Fellowship
WED 12th	8.00am 9.30am 12.00noon 1.15pm 2.30pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist (English) CLARES Said Eucharist (Cantonese) Lunchtime Recital - Musical Moments of Fantasy Vicky Wong (Piano) Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese) Said Eucharist
THU 13th	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers meeting
FRI 14th Holy Cross Day	8.00am 1.00pm 3.00pm 7.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Friday Fellowship Group Holy Cross Day Sung Eucharist
SAT 15th	8.30am 12.00pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 16th September Dedication Festival		
Genesis 28.11-28	8.00am	Said Eucharist
or Revelation 21.9-14		Celebrant and Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der
Psalm 122	9.00am	Sung Eucharist
1 Peter 2.1-10		Celebrant and Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der
John 10.22-29	10.30am	Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist-CW Celebrant: The Revd John Chynchen
	2.00pm	Preacher: The Very Revd Matthias Der Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Dwight dela Torre
	6.00pm	Choral Evensong Officiant: The Revd Robert Martin 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

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit, upon your Church in the burning fire of your love: grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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 (8am & 6pm) James 2.1-17

A reading from the letter of James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, 'You shall not commit adultery', also said, 'You shall not murder.' Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have

become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgement will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgement. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill', and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

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

GOSPEL READING (8am & 6pm) Mark 7.24-end

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

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophoenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, 'Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' But she answered him, 'Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs.' Then he said to her, 'For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.' So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in

private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, 'He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.'

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

INTROIT HYMN (6.00pm)

- 1. For the healing of the nations, Lord, we pray with one accord, for a just and equal sharing of the things that earth affords. To a life of love in action help us rise and pledge our word.
- 2. Lead us forward into freedom, from despair your world release, that, redeemed from war and hatred, all may come and go in peace. Show us how through care and goodness fear will die and hope increase.
- 3. All that kills abundant living, let it from the earth be banned: pride of status, race or schooling, dogmas that obscure your plan. In our common quest for justice may we hallow life's brief span.
- 4. You, Creator-God, have written your great name on humankind; for our growing in your likeness bring the life of Christ to mind; that by our response and service earth its destiny may find.

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GRADUAL HYMN (6.00pm)

- Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here; come bow before him now
 With reverence and fear:
 in him no sin is found —
 we stand on holy ground.
 Be still for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.
- 2. Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; he burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned: how awesome is the sight our radiant King of light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.
- 3. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place:
 he comes to cleanse and heal,
 to minister his grace.
 No work too hard for him,
 in faith receive from him.
 Be still, for the power of the Lord
 Is moving in this place.

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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy, and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us every by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

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 St Mary's Church, the Revd Tsui Yuk Fan, the Revd Samuel Tang, the Revd Lo Yuen Sum and the Revd Peter Lo; For the ministry of the elderly, the growth of fellowships and cell groups for leading more people to hear the gospel; For the ministries at SKH St Mary's Church Mok Hing Yiu College, Sheng Kung Hui Kindergarten and St James' Settlement Causeway Bay Kindergarten.

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 their Priests in Charge. We also remember Christians in Central, InTouch Magazine, Cathedral Bookstore, Mission For Migrant Workers, HELP For Domestic Workers, HIV Education Centre, and St John's Counselling Service.

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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick: Tom Keating, Timothy Moreno, Simon Li, Donna Gail Willis, Caroline Yu, Pat Flavin, Toung Ming, May Cheng, Kong Siu-Ming, Bp Kenneth Mason, Nancy Wong, Jessica Assem, Selina Ho, Susan Westlake, Henry Wu Mou Wai, Monica Cornelius, Chen Kuk Tye, Simon Liew, Mike Chan, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Nie Shi Fa, Richard Jones, Raymond Yuen, Victor Chan, Marianne Felch, Elaine Cogan, Margaret Pini, Helen Lai, Feng Xiao, Anthony Chan, Philip Chan, Robert & Doris Sandie, Rainer S Rommel, Gardy Raymundo, Kathryn McCallen, Carrie McKinnon, Christian Limon Gamen, Chris & David Hayter, Brenda & Gerald Bishop, Mark & Helen Bishop, Albert Quimpo, Chong Yuk Lau, Tony & Edita Bishop, Caius Schwartz, Geoff & Karrie Walsh.

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.**

The Food Collection Box:

You can donate food directly to the hungry in our city.

The Food Collection Box is part of a scheme run by *St James' Settlement* which encourages the members of the Cathedral congregations to make food donations to stock up their food banks located around Hong Kong.

The sturdy box will take dry goods like rice, noodles and canned foods. The food needs to be well within its *sell-by date* with packaging intact. Guidelines for donors can be found on the box.

This is an opportunity to give direct and regular assistance to those who struggle to put a meal on the table. The neglected elderly, the afflicted who cannot work and the working poor — including whole families — rely on the food banks for proper nutrition. These people are the suffering side of the wealth gap.

You could buy an extra item or two in your shopping and drop it in the *Food Drop Box* when you come to church on Sunday or any day of the week if you are passing by the Cathedral. The box is available in the Porch from 7.30am to 6.00pm daily.

GUEST PREACHER 9.00am Worship for All

The Very Revd Chris Chataway, Dean of Ballarat, has been ordained and in active ministry for 33 years. He was born and educated in Adelaide, South Australia where he attended the University of Adelaide to study music. Before completing his studies he left to study theology as an ordination candidate for the Diocese of Adelaide, where he was ordained in 1985. Over the next 28 years, he served as a parish priest in 4 parishes, and was made an Archdeacon in 2005 while Rector of the Parish of Walkerville. In 2014, he left South Australia and moved to the Victorian goldfields in Ballarat, Victoria to become both Dean of Ballarat and Archdeacon of Ballarat. He has a keen interest in liturgical music and composes music and hymns for liturgical use. He has a passion for liturgy, completing a Master of Theology in 2013 through Charles Sturt University specialising in Liturgical Theology, and has been a member of the General Synod Liturgical Commission for 13 years. Chris is married to Heather, a music teacher, and they have four children aged 28, 23, and twins, 17 years old.

HOLY CROSS DAY

Friday 14th September



7.30pm SUNG EUCHARIST with the Cathedral Choir

Celebrant: Dean Matthias Der

Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham

SUPPORT FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE DIOCESE OF TOUNGOO

Please remember in your prayers at this time the Diocese of Toungoo, Myanmar, our link diocese. Due to the collapse of a nearby dam, part of Toungoo is under heavy flooding. St Peter's Bible College, which we support, has been evacuated. We received word from Bishop John Wilme that his people are safe and are now living in temporary shelters. He and his diocese are actively helping the flood victims providing them with food and emergency needs.

Special donations would be appreciated to provide extra resources for their relief work. These may be made at the Cathedral office.

May God's special blessings and protection be with them!

Flavours of Myanmar

If you would like to learn more about the vibrancy, colour and culture of Myanmar and our Partnership with The Diocese of Toungoo, come to our fundraising evening in the Li Hall at 7.15 – 9.30pm on Saturday 15th September

Entertainment:

SJC Choir, Local Myanmar students, Cultural activities & Fashion Show - Auctioneer: Father Robert

Sharing from Parishioners who have visited Toungoo & briefing on how you can support the SJC/Toungoo Partnership

Tickets \$300 (including dinner) available now from The Cathedral Office, 2523-4157

RADIO MINISTRY on RTHK4 FM97.6

The Revd Desmond Cox will be speaking on 'Minutes that Matter' at **9.50am** every Tuesday morning in September (4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th).

St John's Cathedral Sunday School

commences on 16th September 2018

POVERTY ALLEVIATION

St Barnabas Society Centre, Western District

Saturday 29th September 4.00pm - 6.00pm

Volunteers are needed to entertain seniors and homeless and assist in serving dinner.

For more details and to register please contact Fr Mark at rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

THE CATHEDRAL CLARES DESIGNER LABEL SALE

Saturday 29th September 2018 10.00am—2.00pm Li Hall

Gently-used Ladies & Men's Wear

Jackets, Beautiful Dresses, Handbags, Shoes, Fabulous Costume Jewellery etc etc etc....

ALL proceeds benefit local charities!

MICHAELMAS FAIR

Saturday 27th October 2018

BOOKSTALL - DONATIONS

The time has come again to take a good look at your bookshelves. Please pull out those volumes you will not look at again and donate them to the **Michaelmas Fair Second Hand Bookstall.**

The Stall is a significant source of income to the Fair and its charities and its success depends on the books you donate. We also invite you to give us CDs and DVDs which you don't want any more. We regret that we cannot take VCDs or magazines. They don't sell!

Bring your donations to the Cathedral office (2523 4157) clearly marked for the Michaelmas Fair - Second hand Books. (Mon-Fri) 9.00am - 5.00pm; (Sat) 9.00am - 1.00pm

1lb JAM JARS NEEDED

for the Michaelmas Fair 2018 Home Produce Stall. Please bring your used, washed jam jars to the Cathedral office, which you contact at 2523 4157 for additional information.

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

Dean: The Very Revd Matthias Der

Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:

Fellowship & Community Building— The Revd Desmond Cox (Associate Chaplain) Nurturing & Spirituality— 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)

Pastoral Care—The Revd Catherine Graham

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

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

Executive Administrator: Viola Ip

Outreach Ministries:

SJC Counselling Service HELP for Domestic Workers Mission for Migrant Workers HIV Education 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

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Name of spouse (i	f applicable)
Names and ages o	f children (if applicable)
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Please circle as ap	ppropriate:
I attend the 8.00a	.m/9.00am/10.30am/11.45am/2.00pm/6.00pm service.
CLARES / Baptism	finding out about: Sunday School / Cathedral Choir / n & Confirmation / Flower Guild / Sidesman / Servers Guild / / Stewardship Scheme / Uniformed Group.
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