



# 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.'*

1ST SEPTEMBER 2019

THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

## 8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee  
Reader: Dolores Dayao

## 9.00am Sung Eucharist *(with the Commissioning of Servers & Music Ministry)*

Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee  
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis  
Deacon: The Dean  
Communion Setting: St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)  
Psalm: 112 (Goss)  
Hymns: Church of God, elect and glorious (page 3), 186,  
373 (T.699), 427  
Anthem: Beati pauperes (Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck)  
Voluntary: Fantasia Cromatica (Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck)  
Readers/Intercessor: Susan King, Mary Szeto/Simon Fong

## 10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Wu Wai Ho  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

## 11.45am Responsorial Eucharist-CW *(see insert)*

Celebrant: The Dean  
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis  
Reader/Intercessor: Letty Awingan/Kevin She

## 2.00pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

## 6.00pm Choral Evensong *(see insert)*

Officiant: The Revd Will Newman  
Preacher: The Revd Wu Wai Ho  
Reader: Mark Tse

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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 1st September</b>	12.00noon	<i>Chinese Congregation Fellowship</i>
<b>MON 2nd</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.30pm	<i>Meditation Group</i>
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
<b>TUE 3rd</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (English)</i>
<b>WED 4th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital – Violin Piano Duo Recital with Samuel Yee and Hilda Wong</i>
	2.30pm	<i>Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese)</i>
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
<b>THU 5th</b>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers</i>
	7.30pm	Listening to God and Listening to One Another
<b>FRI 6th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	3.00pm	<i>Friday Fellowship Group</i>
<b>SAT 7th</b>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Filipino)
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
<b>SUN 8th September</b>	<b>The Twelfth Sunday after Trinity</b>	
<i>Deut 30.15-end</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin
<i>Psalms 1</i>	9.00am	Worship for All Celebrant: The Dean Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin
<i>Philemon 1-21</i>	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee
<i>Luke 14.25-33</i>	11.45am	Choral Mattins Officiant: The Dean Preacher: The Revd Jenny Wong Nam
	2.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	6.00pm	Healing Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

### **RADIO MINISTRY- RTHK4 FM97**

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



### **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

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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.**

## INTROIT HYMN (9.00am)

1. Church of God, elect and glorious,  
holy nation, chosen race;  
called as God's own special people,  
royal priests and heirs of grace:  
know the purpose of your calling,  
show to all his mighty deeds;  
tell of love which knows no limits,  
grace which meets all human needs.
2. God has called you out of darkness  
into his most marvelous light;  
brought his truth to life within you,  
turned your blindness into sight.  
Let your light so shine around you  
that God's name is glorified;  
and all find fresh hope and purpose  
in Christ Jesus crucified.
3. Once you were an alien people,  
strangers to God's heart of love;  
but he brought you home in mercy,  
citizens of heaven above.  
Let his love flow out to others,  
let them feel a Father's care;  
that they too may know his welcome  
And his countless blessings share.
4. Church of God, elect and holy,  
be the people he intends;  
strong in faith and swift to answer  
each command your master sends:  
royal priests, fulfil your calling  
through your sacrifice and prayer;  
give your lives in joyful service -  
sing his praise, his love declare.

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## FIRST READING

### **Ecclesiasticus 10.12-18**

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus.

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 112

- 1 Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord : he hath great delight in his commandments.
- 2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth : the generation of the faithful shall be blessed.
- 3 Riches and plenteousness shall be in his house : and his righteousness endureth for ever.
- 4 Unto the godly there ariseth up light in the darkness : he is merciful, loving, and righteous.
- 5 A good man is merciful, and lendeth : and will guide his words with discretion.
- 6 For he shall never be moved : and the righteous shall be had in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 He will not be afraid of any evil tidings : for his heart standeth fast, and believeth in the Lord.
- 8 His heart is established, and will not shrink : until he see his desire upon his enemies.

9 He hath dispersed abroad, and given to the poor : and his righteousness remaineth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

10 The ungodly shall see it, and it shall grieve him : he shall gnash with his teeth, and consume away; the desire of the ungodly shall perish.

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

**Hebrews 13.1-8, 15-16**

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honour by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, 'I will never leave you or forsake you.' So we can say with confidence,

'The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?'

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL READING

**Luke 14.1, 7-14**

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

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

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## PRAYERS

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

#### **In the worldwide Anglican**

**Communion** we pray for Province of the Episcopal Church of South Sudan; for the Most Revd Justin Badi Arama – Bishop of Juba and Archbishop of 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 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** Kei Oi Church; for the Church's pastoral ministries in Kei Fook Primary School, Kei Oi Primary School, Kei Oi Church Kindergarten, Kei Oi Nursery School and Kei Oi Neighbourhood Elderly Center; may God give His grace and peace to the people there so that their love may grow and spiritual life is healthy.

**Within the Cathedral Parish** we pray for the Cathedral church and its various congregations, for the Dean and chaplains; for our daughter churches: Discovery Bay Church, St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley and Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam; and their Priests in Charge. We also remember our Welcomers & Cathedral Minders, Sunday School, Discoverers, Parents and Toddlers, Education for Ministry (EfM) Courses, CLARES, Castaways, and SJC Flower Guild.

**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:*

Catherine Chan, Benjamin Ng, Annie Kwan, Daisy Tai, Peter Ma, Nie Shi Fa, Shirley Nie, Fr Jack Sullivan, Kam Tong, Ron Fast, Kung Lin Cheng Leo, Toung Ming, May Cheng, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Mike Chan, Phyllis Schmitz, Marianne Felch, Timothy Moreno, Grace Chan, Monica

Cornelius, Eunice Chan, Chen Kuk Tye, Margaret Pini, Meena Tsui, Jeshu Yau, Anthony Chan, John David, Christina Chan, Leslie Henderson, Caroline Yu, Kathryn McCallen, Donna Gail Willis, Chong Yuk Lau, Elaine Cogan, Kathryn Lewis, Raymond Yuen, Jessica Assem, Kong Siu Ming, Susan Westlake, Carrie McKinnon and Richard Jones.

*Please pray for the recently departed:*  
Fung Shing

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.**

### A PRAYER FOR HONG KONG

Almighty God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the Prince of peace: accept the fervent prayers of your people, and preserve our city in your safekeeping. May your holy and life-giving Spirit move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in love and harmony. Enable us to eliminate poverty and prejudice, that peace may prevail with righteousness, and justice with order. Send down upon those who are in authority the spirit of wisdom and charity, that with steadfast purpose they may faithfully serve to promote the well-being of all people; through Jesus Christ our redeemer, friend and companion. Amen.



## CHURCH BELL RINGING

Together with a number of churches across Hong Kong, bells are rung at 1.00pm today at St John's Cathedral as part of our common appeal for prayer and reflection. With the ringing of bells, we invite everyone to be still, to reflect and to pray for our city.

## THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Today is the 79<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of The Most Revd Gregorio Aglipay, DD, the first Obispo Maximo (Supreme Bishop) of the Iglesia Filipina Independiente. A short Thanksgiving Service for the life and ministry of Bp Aglipay will follow after the Prayer after Communion at the Tagalog Eucharist at 2.00pm. Join us in thanking God for giving us OM Aglipay.

## POVERTY ALLEVIATION

### Mid Autumn Yam Cha

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September:  
10.00am - 2.00pm

Volunteers are needed to accompany seniors at a restaurant to celebrate the Mid Autumn Festival

To register or for more information please contact Father Mark  
[rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)

## MICHAELMAS FAIR APPEAL

Donations for the following stalls would be most welcome:

*Games Stalls*

*Wine Bar*

*Stamps*

*Second-hand Bookstall*

*White Elephant Stall*

Please bring your donations to the Cathedral office during office hours and clearly mark for the Michaelmas Fair. For enquiries, please call 2523 4157.

*Stars at St John's*

## Michaelmas Fair 2019 St John's Family Night

Guest of Honour  
The Rt Revd Andrew Chan

Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> September, 7.30pm  
Refreshments at 6.45pm

*featuring:*

*Cathedral Choir groups  
Daughter Churches  
Friends of the Harp  
Hong Kong Pipe Band  
36th Hong Kong Scout Troop  
Isla School of Dance  
The Pelicans  
Cantonese Opera Singing  
Piano Four Hands  
Solo Singing*

Programme Vouchers at  
\$100 (Side Aisle) & \$200 (Nave)  
are available at the Cathedral porch  
and the Li Hall after the services

Enquiry: 2523 4157

*Volunteers needed for venue  
setup and decoration.  
Rita Chan 6823 2073*

# ***LISTENING TO GOD and LISTENING TO ONE ANOTHER***

***A time of sharing  
in the context of our current situation***

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2019 7.30pm Li Hall**

***Let us***

***Pray for Hong Kong***

***Meditate***

***Share in small groups***

***Listen to others with respect and openness***

***Listen to God through silence, music & liturgy***

**‘Be still, and know that I am God.’ Psalm 46.10**

## **CHRISTIANS IN CENTRAL**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at 1.00pm in the Li Hall**

Topic : ***Agape International Missions (AIM) - 15 years of ministry and miracles in Cambodia against sex trafficking and poverty.***

Speakers: Matthew and Melissa Stock

Matthew and Melissa Stock will share with us their experience in battling on the front line against sex trafficking in Cambodia through AIM (Agape International Missions) for the past six years. The Mission adopts a holistic tactic to stop the cycle of exploitation of the victims by prevention, rescue, restoration and reintegration. AIM is currently running 12 programmes in Cambodia helping over 10,000 people each year.

Prior to working full time for AIM. Matthew was part owner of Wipf and Stock Printing in the USA for 12 years and Melissa was a music professor for ten years in Eugene, Oregon. She was also a music director at the Crystal Cathedral from 1997-2003.

Their job titles: AIM Country Directors

Melissa's other title : Director of International Development

***Entry ticket at \$60 each, when soup and sandwiches will be supplied from 12.45pm onward. Please get your ticket at the Cathedral Bookstore or make reservation by either calling the Cathedral office at 2523 4157, or email to Edward at [reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)***

# 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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