



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.'*

15TH NOVEMBER 2020 THE SECOND SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Rt Revd Matthias Der
Reader: Jeannie Chan

9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee
Preacher: The Rt Revd Matthias Der
Deacon: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Communion Setting: The Salisbury Setting (Ian Hubbard & Neil Cocking)
Hymns: 405 (T.225ii), 129, 159 (omit v.2,3), 286
Anthem: God be in my head (Herbert Howells)
Reader/Intercessor: Martin Hills/Kevin She
Voluntary: Praeludium in G minor (Franz Tunder)

10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon
Preacher: The Rt Revd Matthias Der

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist

Officiant: The Revd Franklin Lee
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Reader/Intercessor: TY Wong/Andrew Ashley

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

5.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Revd Amos Poon
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
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

MON 16th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.30pm	<i>Meditation Group (suspended)</i>
	1.00pm	Midday Prayer
TUE 17th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	Midday Prayer
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Reading Fellowship (English) (ZOOM)</i>
WED 18th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	Midday Prayer
	1.15pm	<i>Lunchtime Recital (suspended)</i>
	2.30pm	<i>Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese) (ZOOM)</i>
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
THU 19th	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	Midday Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	<i>Parents and Toddlers (suspended)</i>
FRI 20th	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	Midday Prayer
	3.00pm	<i>Friday Fellowship Group (ZOOM)</i>
SAT 21st	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Filipino)
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 22nd November	Christ the King	
<i>Ezek. 34, 11-16, 20-24</i>	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee
<i>Psalms 95.1-7</i>		
<i>Ephesians 1.15-end</i>	9.00am	Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Rt Revd Matthias Der Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee
<i>Matthew 25.31-end</i>		
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist Celebrant: The Rt Revd Matthias Der Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	1.30pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
	5.00pm	Baptism and Confirmation Service Celebrant and Preacher: The Most Revd Dr Paul Kwong



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

Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed to destroy the works of the devil and to make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that when he shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

1 Thessalonians 5.1-11

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Thessalonians.

Concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, 'There is peace and security', then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labour pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then, let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 25.14-30

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples, 'The kingdom of heaven is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, "Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, "Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents." His master said to him, "Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master." Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, "Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master replied, "You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have

invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Gracious Lord, in this holy sacrament you give substance to our hope: bring us at the last to that fullness of life for which we long; through Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Church of Ceylon (Extra-Provincial to the Archbishop of Canterbury), The Rt Revd Dhiloraj Ranjit Canagasabey, Bishop of Colombo and The Rt Revd Keerthisiri Fernando, Bishop of Kurunegala.

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 Church of the Holy Word; for the vestry members in 2020; for youth ministry, family ministry and the spiritual life of the church members; for the co-operation among the church, schools and social service units in Lam Tin.

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 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; pray for the clergy who each look after 5-10 villages linked by jungle paths, and for the people. Some villages in conflict areas have been cut off from contact or visits since 1996.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Ewan Yee, Liew Kam Lin, Kathryn Lewis, CJ Verdejo, Gareth Williams, Tia McPhee, Bruce McPhee, John Charman, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Peter Lau, Christina Poon, Tai Yu Hei, Tiew Siew Lee, Tai Choi Yeng, Daniel Lee, Philip Yeung, Richard Jones, Raymond Yuen, Leung Siu Tim, Robert Chan, Francesca Lorenzi, Catherine Chan, Susan Westlake, Lene Bille Hoegh, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Margaret Pini, Daisy Tai, Nie Shi Fa, Shirley Nie, John Banigan, Jake Pitts, Toung Ming, Cath Dalton, Tsui Man Fong, Michael Banyard, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Donna Gail Willis, John McIntosh, John David, Wong Lai King, Jeshu Yau, Chong Yuk Lau, Luke Inkin, David Holme, Geoff Walsh, Anthony Chan, Heather Little, Christina Chan, Evelena Mathias, Monica Cornelius, John Butcher, Leslie Henderson, Meena Tsui and Elaine Cogan.

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

Please pray for the recently departed:
Nicholas Foster, Eva Law

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.**

WE BRING YOUR LOVE

Loving God,

Help us to focus on what we have, not on what is removed or changed.

Strengthen us when we feel discouraged or overwhelmed.

Embrace us so that we know your loving presence within us and among us.

Walk with us as we bring your love, and carry your light, into our world.

Amen.

- Sandra Lucas, MDiv., BCC



LINKS TO ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL WEBCAST SERVICES

14th November Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm *Holy Eucharist (Cantonese)* <https://youtu.be/z9ptnHT-ETg>

15th November Sunday Eucharist

9.00am *Sung Eucharist (English)* https://youtu.be/uLJfBA-Ar_8

1.30pm *Holy Eucharist (Filipino)* <https://youtu.be/cbPviZg7WWs>

ADVENT SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S

The First Sunday of Advent 29th November 2020 5.00pm

A Service for the beginning of Advent



The Third Sunday of Advent 13th December 2020 5.00pm

'Blue Christmas' Eucharist



*A Eucharist for those mourning a loss
this Christmas season.*



The Fourth Sunday of Advent 20th December 2020 5.00pm

Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols

NOTICE

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE NEW DEAN

To fill the post of Dean of St John's Cathedral, the mother church and Cathedral of the Diocese of Hong Kong Island, a Board of Patronage of the Church of England Trustees was convened in February this year. The Trustees are pleased to announce that the Board of Patronage has recommended the appointment of the Very Revd Kwok Keung Chan, effective 1st May 2021. The Archbishop has given his consent to this appointment.



The Very Revd Kwok Keung Chan is currently the Dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral, Diocese of Eastern Kowloon. Ordained in 2008, Dean KK Chan has served at Holy Carpenter Church, St Augustine's Chapel and Holy Trinity Cathedral. He was named Sub-dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral in 2019 and Dean in 2020. Before attending Ming Hua Theological College for his Master of Divinity, he taught at SKH Good Shepherd Primary School from 1993-2004. Dean KK Chan, a gifted preacher and visionary leader, is heavily involved in education, congregational development, ecumenical partnership and social welfare ministry. He brings a wealth of experience as a priest, pastor, teacher and administrator to St John's Cathedral.

During the interim, The Revd Mark Rogers, will be the Acting Dean from 1st January to 30th April 2021.

The Rt Revd Timothy Kwok will act as Dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral and the Revd Franklin Lee On Yip, Chaplain at St John's Cathedral, will be appointed as Sub-dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral both effective 1st May 2021.

Please pray for Dean KK Chan, The Revd Franklin Lee and both cathedrals at this time of transition.

Martin Matsui and John Li
Trustees

**MRS LILY PONG SCHOLARSHIP FOR CHURCH ORGANISTS
OPEN FOR APPLICATION (2021-22)**

‘The Mrs Lily Pong Scholarship for Church Organists’ for admission in September 2021 is now opened for application. Sponsored by St Paul’s Church and the family of the late Mrs Lily Pong, the scholarship aims at providing subsidy to existing and potential church organists in HKSCHK to be better equipped with organ playing techniques and church service playing skills. The scholarship will provide a scheme for one-on-one tuition with a qualified professional organ instructor in Hong Kong over a period of up to three (3) years, depending on the ability of the participants. The participants must commit to finish the scheme and serve as organist at his/her parish/mission church for at least two (2) years after completing the scheme.

Interested candidates please contact your parish administrators for information pack of the scheme and application form or download them from the Provincial website (www.hkskh.org). Deadline for application is 23rd November 2020 (Monday).

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ON 1st JANUARY 2021 !!!**

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

Dean: The Rt 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 Chaplain:

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

Executive Administrator:

Mrs Viola Ip

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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) _____

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/1.30pm/5.00pm 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.

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