



# 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.'*

17TH MARCH 2019

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

### 8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin  
Reader: Will Clay

### 9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Dean  
Preacher: The Rt Revd Professor N T Wright  
Deacon: The Revd Sharon Langbis  
Communion Setting: Missa Orbis factor in English  
Psalm: 27 (Harris, Hylton Stewart)  
Hymns: **Lent Prose (verse 2), 73i, 64, 159 (omit vs.2, 3),  
O God beyond all praising (Page 4)**  
Anthem: Lord, I call upon thee (Edward Bairstow)  
Readers/Intercessor: Marcela Collins, Doris Lye/Tom Bispham

### 10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon  
Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee

### 11.45am Responsorial Eucharist –CW

Celebrant: The Dean  
Preacher: The Rt Revd Professor N T Wright  
Reader/Intercessor: Karmen Kar/Simon Fong

### 2.00pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

### 6.00pm Choral Evensong (See insert)

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin  
Reader: Trevor Fitzsimmons

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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 17th March</b>	12.00noon	Chinese Congregation Fellowship
<b>MON 18th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	12.30pm	Meditation Group
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	7.30pm	St John's Lectures
<b>TUE 19th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	7.00pm	LENT COURSE (English)
<b>WED 20th</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	8.30am	LENT COURSE (English)
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Lunchtime Recital-Hong Kong Bellissimo Singers
		Lunchtime Concert
	2.30pm	LENT COURSE (Cantonese)
	6.00pm	Said Eucharist
7.30pm	St John's Lectures	
<b>THU 21st</b>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	1.15pm	Said Eucharist
	2.30pm	Parents and Toddlers meeting
	7.30pm	St John's Lectures at The University of Hong Kong
<b>FRI 22nd</b>	8.00am	Said Eucharist
	1.00pm	One o'clock Prayer
	3.00pm	LENT COURSE (English)



### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS on Fridays in Lent at 12.15pm**

<b>SAT 23rd</b>	8.30am	Said Eucharist
	12.00noon	Said Eucharist (Filipino)
	2.00pm	LENT Course (Filipino)
	4.00pm	LENT Course (Cantonese)
	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)

<b>SUN 24th March</b> <i>Isaiah 55.1-9</i> <i>Psalms 63.1-9</i> <i>1 Corinthians 10.1-13</i> <i>Luke 13.1-9</i>	<b>The Third Sunday of Lent</b>	
	8.00am	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	9.00am	Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Catherine Graham Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	10.30am	Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Wu Wai Ho Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon
	11.45am	Responsorial Eucharist—CW Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham
	2.00pm	Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
	6.00pm	Evening Prayer in Taizé style Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham



### **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, 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**

**Genesis 15.1-12, 17-18**

A reading from the book of Genesis

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, 'Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.' But Abram said, 'O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?' And Abram said, 'You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir.' But the word of the LORD came to him, 'This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir.' He brought him outside and said, 'Look towards heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them.' Then he said to him, 'So shall your descendants be.' And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

Then he said to him, 'I am the LORD who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to possess.' But he said, 'O Lord GOD, how am I to know that I shall possess it?' He said to him, 'Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtle-dove, and a young pigeon.' He brought him all these and cut them in two, laying each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram, and a deep and terrifying darkness descended upon him.

When the sun had gone down and it was dark, a smoking fire-pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates.'

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM 27**

A reading from the book of Genesis.

- 1 The Lord is my light, and my salvation; whom then shall I fear : the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom then shall I be afraid?
- 2 When the wicked, even mine enemies, and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh : they stumbled and fell.
- 3 Though an host of men were laid against me, yet shall not my heart be afraid : and though there rose up war against me, yet will I put my trust in him.
- 4 One thing have I desired of the Lord, which I will require : even that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the fair beauty of the Lord, and to visit his temple.
- 5 For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his tabernacle : yea, in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me, and set me up upon a rock of stone.
- 6 And now shall he lift up mine head : above mine enemies round about me.
- 7 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation with great gladness : I will sing, and speak praises unto the Lord.
- 8 Harken unto my voice, O Lord, when I cry unto thee : have mercy upon me, and hear me.
- 9 My heart hath talked of thee, Seek ye my face : Thy face, Lord, will I seek.
- 10 O hide not thou thy face from me : nor cast thy servant away in displeasure.
- 11 Thou hast been my succor : leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.
- 12 When my father and my mother forsake me : the Lord taketh me up.
- 13 Teach me thy way, O Lord : and lead me in the right way, because of mine enemies.

14 Deliver me not over into the will of mine adversaries : for there are false witnesses risen up against me, and such as speak wrong.

15 I should utterly have fainted : but that I believe verily to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

16 O tarry thou the Lord's leisure : be strong, and he shall comfort thine heart; and put thou thy trust in the Lord.

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

### Philippians 3.17-4.1

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation so that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## GOSPEL READING

### Luke 13.31-end

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

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

At that very hour some Pharisees came and said to him, 'Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you.' He said to them, 'Go and tell that fox for me, "Listen, I am casting out demons and

performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed away from Jerusalem." Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, "Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

## RECESSIONAL HYMN (9.00am)

1. O God beyond all praising,  
we worship you today  
and sing the love amazing  
that songs cannot repay;  
for we can only wonder  
at every gift you send,  
at blessings without number  
and mercies without end:  
We lift our hearts before you  
and wait upon your word,  
we honour and adore you,  
our great and mighty Lord.
2. Then hear, O gracious Saviour,  
accept the love we bring,  
that we who know your favour  
may serve you as our king;  
and whether our tomorrows  
be filled with good or ill,  
we'll triumph through our sorrows  
and rise to bless you still:  
to marvel at your beauty  
and glory in your ways,  
and make a joyful duty  
our sacrifice of praise.

MICHAEL PERRY (1942-1996)

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**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 Church of England and The Most Revd and Rt Hon Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury.

**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 the Incarnation and the Revd Dr Ng Yu Lam; For the ministries of the church and SKH Wei Lun Primary School; For the church's development of Sunday School.

**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 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 Bishop Dr Saw Shee Sho, his priests, people and ministry.

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

*Please pray for those who are sick:*

Carmen Tiew, Eunice Chan, Stephanie Burgess, Jeshar Yau, Kam Tong, Tsang Kwong, May Cheng, Toung Ming, Fung Shing, Kathryn Lewis, Meena Tsui, Sui Sung, Wu Mou Wai, Ivy Looi, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Christina Chan, Phillip Nicholl, Grace Chan, Nie Shi Fa, Caroline Yu, Poon Lam, Margaret Pini, Marianne Felch, Chen Kuk Tye, Elaine Cogan, Mike Chan, Monica Cornelius, Leslie Henderson, Victor Chan, Donna Gail Willis, Carrie McKinnon, Feng Xiao, Raymond Yuen, Philip Chan, Jessica Assem, Phyllis Schmitz, Richard Jones, Kong Siu Ming, Adelaide Chan, Chong Yuk Lau, Simon Li, Chris & David Hayter, Timothy Moreno, Susan Westlake, Brenda & Gerald Bishop, Anthony Chan, Geoff & Karrie Walsh, Kathryn McCallen.

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.**



**RADIO MINISTRY on RTHK4 FM97.6 IN MARCH**

- **'Reflections' at 10.56pm Monday to Friday nights**  
Fr Franklin Lee will be speaking on 'Reflections' from 25<sup>th</sup>—29<sup>th</sup> March
- **'Minutes that Matter' at 9.50am**  
The Revd Will Newman will be exploring the Parable of the Prodigal Son on every Tuesday morning.  
Fr Franklin Lee will be speaking every Friday morning.
- **'Thought of the Week' at 8.25am**  
Fr Franklin Lee will be speaking on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

## GUEST PREACHER

This morning, we welcome the Rt Revd Professor N T Wright to be our preacher for the 9.00am Eucharist and the 11.45am Responsorial Eucharist. N T Wright is the former Bishop of Durham in the Church of England and one of the world's leading Bible scholars. He serves as the chair of New Testament and Early Christianity at the School of Divinity at the University of St Andrews. For twenty years he taught New Testament studies at Cambridge, McGill, and Oxford Universities. Wright is the award-winning author of *The Day the Revolution Began*, *Simply Jesus*, *Surprised by Hope*, *Simply Christian*, and many other titles.

## ST JOHN'S LECTURES

with

The Rt Revd Professor NT Wright

**18<sup>th</sup> March (Mon) 7.30pm**

St John's Cathedral

*'The Bible's Challenge to Today's World:  
How does the Bible speak Truth to Power  
and Money Today?'*

**20<sup>th</sup> March (Wed) 7.30pm**

St John's Cathedral

*'Living in God's Moment: Becoming Truly  
Human in a Demanding World'*

**21<sup>st</sup> March (Thu) 7.30pm**

Grand Hall, Lee Shau Kee Lecture

Centre, The University of HK

*'Rethinking Heaven, Hell and  
the New Creation'*

**All 3 lectures are fully booked.**

**FREE Admission  
by tickets only**

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your mobile device or present  
a hard copy of your ticket  
at the entrance.**

**Doors will open at 7.00pm**

## CARING FOR SENIORS IN ELDERLY CARE HOME

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 10.00am-12noon

*In partnership with HKSKH Welfare Council.*

Volunteers are needed to care for and listen to seniors in a private elderly home for seniors. Preparation session with Welfare Council Social Worker on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March, 10.00am-12noon.

For registration and more information please contact Fr Mark:

[rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)

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### CHILL WITH US !! (NEW!!)

Starting from March, the **St John's Cathedral Life Enrichment Centre** will present a series of programmes in our new CHILL CORNER. We aim to feature talents, crafts or other demonstrations which will add an interesting touch to your Sunday.

We will kick off with an Introduction to Chinese Calligraphy featuring well known calligrapher Mr Pun Ping Hung. Do read the flyer and sign up!

If you have a talent or hobby, come and share it with us at CHILL CORNER! Contact Elijah Fung at the centre ([elijahfung@stjohnlec.com](mailto:elijahfung@stjohnlec.com)).

### CECILIA KWOK CHURCH MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP: OPEN FOR APPLICATION

The Cecilia Kwok Church Music Scholarship Fund offers scholarships of up to HK\$100,000 to help young people pursue studies relevant to church music in establishments (in Hong Kong or overseas) approved by the trustees, to help develop their potential to become, in future years, choirmasters or organists at the Cathedral or its daughter churches.

Application form is now available on the Cathedral website.

Deadline for application:

**Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

Please contact our Director of Music, Mr Felix Yeung at [felixyeung@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:felixyeung@stjohnscathedral.org.hk) or the Cathedral office for further details.

## The Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary

7.30pm Sung Eucharist  
25<sup>th</sup> March, 2019 (Monday)

*Celebrant and Preacher:*

*The Rt Revd Andrew Chan  
Bishop of Western Kowloon, HKSKH*

### 2019 LENT COURSES

This year 2019, the English language groups will study together in Lent with the book 'Forgiveness' which is written by Marjorie J Thompson. The Chinese language groups will use 'Your Word is the Lamp to my feet', a study course on the Lenten Psalms produced by the Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui.

Come and join one of the courses at St John's or the daughter churches. Let us journey spiritually together in this Lent.

#### COURSES AT ST JOHN'S

##### **Tuesdays**

7.00pm (*English*) Conference Room

##### **Wednesdays**

8.30am (*English*) Harold Smyth Room  
2.30pm (*Cantonese*) Conference Room

##### **Fridays** starting on 8<sup>th</sup> March

3.00pm (*English*) Conference Room

##### **Saturdays**

2.00pm (*Filipino*) Conference Room  
4.00pm (*Cantonese*) Harold Smyth Room

#### ENGLISH COURSES AT DAUGHTER CHURCHES

DB Church: Tuesdays 7.00pm  
Emmanuel Church: Wednesdays 7.00pm

# ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

**Dean:** The Very Revd Matthias Der

**Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:**

Fellowship & Community Building—  
The Revd Franklin Lee

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 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

**Outreach Ministries:**

SJC Counselling Service  
HELP for Domestic Workers  
Mission for Migrant Workers  
SJC Life Enrichment Centre  
Cathedral Bookstore  
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Prison Ministry



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*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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