

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.'

27TH JANUARY 2019 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY (PARTNERSHIP SUNDAY)

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

Reader: Letty Awingan

9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: The Rt Revd John Roundhill

Sharing: Toungoo reflections

Deacon: The Dean

Communion Setting: Broken for You (Margaret Rizza)

Psalm: 19.1-6 (Aldrich)

Hymns: 345, 438, SJC 170th Anniversary hymn (See

page 5), 415i (omit*)

Anthem: O quam suavis (Sebastian de Vivanco)
Readers/Intercessor: Doris Lye, Mary Szeto/Tom Bispham

10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Dean

Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee

11.45am Responsorial Eucharist—CW

Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee
Sharing: Toungoo reflections
Reader/Intercessor: Saki Tsoi/Andrew Ashley

2.00pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino and English)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin

6.00pm Evening Prayer in Taizé style

Officiant and Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham

Reader: Trevor Fitzsimmons

Welcome to all who worship here today. Visiting communicants, of whatever Christian tradition, are invited to receive communion here. Glutenfree 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.



Faith in the City 1849 - 2019

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

SUN 27th January	12.00noon	Chinese Congregation Fellowship
MON 28th	8.00am 12.30pm 1.00pm	Said Eucharist Meditation Group One o'clock Prayer
TUE 29th	8.00am 1.00pm 1.00pm 7.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Christians in Central Bible Reading Fellowship
WED 30th	8.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Lunchtime Recital—Duo Recital with Blank Duo (Oboe and Bassoon) Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese) Said Eucharist
THU 31st	8.30am 1.00pm 1.15pm 2.30pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist Parents and Toddlers meeting
FRI 1st February	8.00am 1.00pm <i>3.00pm</i>	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer NO Friday Fellowship Group (CNY break, resume on 15 th)
SAT 2nd	8.30am 12.00noon 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (in Filipino and English) Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
SUN 3rd February Malachi 3.1-5 Psalm 24 Hebrews 2.14-end Luke 2.22-40	The Prese (transfer) 8.00am 9.00am 10.30am 11.45am 2.00pm 6.00pm	said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Preacher: The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri Responsorial Eucharist—CW Celebrant: The Revd Jenny Wong Nam Preacher: The Revd Catherine Graham Sung Eucharist (Filipino and English) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre Preacher: The Revd Franklin Lee Choral Evensong Officiant: The Revd Robert Martin Preacher: The Revd Mark Rogers



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, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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 Nehemiah 8.1-3, 5-6, 8-10

A reading from the book of Nehemiah.

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen', lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and

worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the

reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom

nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'

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

PSALM 19.1-6

1 The heavens declare the glory of God: and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

2 One day telleth another: and one

night certifieth another.

3 There is neither speech nor language: but their voices are heard among them.

4 Their sound is gone out into all lands: and their words into the ends of

the world.

5 In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun: which cometh forth as a bridegroom out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a giant to run his course.
6 It goeth forth from the uttermost part of the heaven, and runneth about unto the end of it again: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.
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 1 Corinthians 12.12-31a

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

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot were to say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear were to say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body', that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you', nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do

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all interpret? But strive for the greater

GOSPEL READING Luke 4.14-21

gifts.

All

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

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the

synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.' And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

HYMN FOR THE 170th ANNIVERSARY OF ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

- 1. How shall I define the grace of our Lord?
 The love most divine, yet giv'n to us all.
 More boundless than the sea, more ceaseless than the sun,
 A great burning pledge: a saviour become.
- 2. Fling wide the West Door and let all within!
 The Lamb's blood here flows no matter your kin.
 In Eastern tongues hymn, to Western tunes praise,
 The multitude's faith: one Church to attest.
- 3. But those who are lost to wealth or themselves, To Earthly pow'rs bow, to Earthly tombs rot. O seek ye the Way, the Truth and the Life, Transcendent and pure: the blade 'gainst all strife!
- 4. Thus join we all here, with zeal of St John's,
 To do what we could in th'image of Christ,
 Let no sense be dumb, let no flesh retire,
 Till all hearts expire: for Hong Kong our home.

Tune: Peter Yue (2018) Words: Jonathan Yip (2018)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglican do Brasil and The Most Revd Naudal Alves Gomes, Primate of Brazil & Bishop of Curitiba.

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 Titus' Church; for the Revd Hubert Che and the spiritual lives of the church members; For SKH Ma On Shan Holy Spirit Primary School; HKSKH Ma On Shan Children & Youth Integrated Service Centre; For the inauguration of St Titus' Church as parish.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick: Ivy Looi, Christina Chan, Nancy Wong, Phyllis Schmitz, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Toung Ming, May Cheng, Nie Shi Fa, Monica Cornelius, Meena Tsui, Wu Mou Wai, Caroline Yu, Poon Lam, Chen Kuk Tye, Marianne Felch, Fung Shing, Margaret Pini, Donna Gail Willis, Jessica Assem, Victor Chan, Leslie Henderson, Carrie McKinnon, Mike Chan, Raymond Yuen, Feng Xiao, Adelaide Chan, Simon Li, Phillip Nicholl, Kong Siu Ming, Chong Yuk Lau, Timothy Moreno, Philip Chan, Susan Westlake, Richard Jones, Elaine Cogan, Chris & David Hayter, Anthony Chan, Albert Quimpo, Brenda & Gerald Bishop, Selina Ho, Geoff & Karrie Walsh and 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.**

PARTNERSHIP SUNDAY

This Sunday we give thanks to God and celebrate the link that we share with the Diocese of Toungoo, Myanmar. Since 2016, our Cathedral has established this fraternal relationship, for mutual learning and support through visits, sharing and praying for each other. Toungoo Diocese is particularly poor part of the Anglican Communion and has more than 200 villages in rural mountain areas, most of which without electricity and clean water. Over the last two decades, the diocese has built student hostels for local children who would otherwise not receive any education after the age of 10. The diocese has also been proactive in helping to provide water supplies and health education in theses impoverished and hard to reach areas. Over the last 3 years, two of our St John's parishioners have travelled to Toungoo to teach English to local children. During this period three delegations from Hong Kong have visited the diocese and funds have been raised to support the building of hostels and the support theological education in the diocese. Early in January, a delegation of 16 people, including members of our cathedral choir, participated in the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the diocese, and to attend the consecration and installation of their new bishop. During our 9.00am and 11.45am Eucharists this morning, members of these delegations will share their reflections on the recent trip. You are encouraged to use the special offering envelops to support the good work of the Diocese of Toungoo.



St John's Cathedral 170th Anniversary Celebration

ST JOHN'S CARNIVAL

As part of our 170th Anniversary celebrations, and reflecting on its theme of 'Faith in the City', the Cathedral community will be holding a Carnival in Chater Road Pedestrian Precinct on **Sunday 24th February from 1.00pm – 4.00pm**. We hope that through this time of celebration we can share our faith in Christ with the general public and make the work and ministry of St John's more widely known.

We invite all members of St John's congregations to join us in this special event as a sign of our common Christian witness as we strive to build, with all people of good will, an harmonious and happy society. As we journey into the future together let us all offer our prayers for Hong Kong, and have 'Faith in the City'.

Highlights: Marching Parade/Music & Dance Performances/Arts & Crafts/Food & Drinks/Games

MARRIAGE THANKSGIVING SERVICE & RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS

Were you married at St John's Cathedral? If yes, you are cordially invited to join our Marriage Thanksgiving Service as part of the 170th Anniversary

Date: 16th February 2019 (Sat) Time: 3.00 pm

celebration of St John's Cathedral.

Registration forms are available at the Cathedral Office and on the Cathedral website.

Please return the completed form to the Cathedral Office or by email: general@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

Registration deadline extended to 29th January 2019 (Tue)

CHRISTIANS IN CENTRAL on Tuesday 29th January 2019 at 1.00pm in the Li Hall

Speaker:

The Rt Revd John Roundhill

Bishop John was ordained in England but has also served in Scotland and Hong Kong. He was in Hong Kong between 2002-2006 as chaplain and then Sub-dean of St John's Cathedral. John, with his family, then went on to work in Australia, as parish priest, Archdeacon, then as a Cathedral Dean. In April 2018 he was consecrated as Bishop for the Southern Region in the Diocese of Brisbane.

Topic:

The problem of polarisation and purity

Australia is home to some extraordinarily dangerous wildlife, such as saltwater crocodiles, deadly spiders and venomous snakes. But along with those natural dangers the Australian Anglican Church is home to some of the more toxic features of the Anglican Communion. This can be witnessed by anyone attending General Synod or by reading one of our many church blogs. The Australian Anglican Church is by some accounts one of the most polarised of the Anglican Churches in the communion.

At Christians in Central Bishop John will explore: the origins of this polarisation, how we might prevent this becoming a toxic cultural export, and why this might matter to people in Hong Kong.

Soup and sandwich lunch will be served from 12.45pm. Tickets at \$60 each are available at the Cathedral Bookstore. Reservation can also be made by calling 2523 4157 or emailing to reception@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

Faith Begins:

The Christian Faith explored, discussed and enjoyed!



'Faith Begins' is a course for adults who have been regularly attending services in St John's Cathedral or the daughter churches for at least 3 months, and who want to belong to the Anglican Church and become part of the regular worshipping community.

'Faith Begins' leads to baptism and confirmation at St John's Cathedral, when you commit yourself to following Jesus Christ.

'Faith Begins' includes talks and discussion about many different aspects of Christian belief and living as a Christian.

'Faith Begins' on Wednesday evenings, starting 13th February 2019, with supper at 7.00pm followed by a talk and discussion.

The talks will be given in English, with simultaneous translation into Chinese. Discussion is in either Chinese or English.

The course continues every Wednesday up to 5th June. The Baptism and Confirmation Service will be held in the cathedral on 9th June at 6.00pm.

To register please email Fr Mark at rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

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 Chinese Ministry—

The Revd Canon Peter Koon & The Revd Wu Wai Ho

Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Jenny Wong Nam

Executive Administrator: Viola Ip

Outreach Ministries:

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.

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 (if applicable)			
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I attend the 8.00am/9.00a	am/10.30am/11.45am/2.00pm/6.00pm service.		
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