



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.'*

3RD MAY 2020 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

9.00am Sung Eucharist (Broadcast)

Celebrant: The Revd Franklin Lee
Preacher: The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri
Communion Setting: St Mary's Mass (Anthony Caesar)
Hymns: 390, 459, 457ii, 376

St John's Cathedral services will be broadcast through the Cathedral website and on YouTube. Please join us.

2nd May Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese) <https://youtu.be/XSssKOG4TZo>

3rd May Sunday Eucharist and Choral Evensong

9.00am Sung Eucharist (English) <https://youtu.be/5u5duxjoVHE>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin) <https://youtu.be/7IklFQS4prc>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino) <https://youtu.be/-WbPSoTzzmA>

5.00pm Choral Evensong <https://youtu.be/nmByLz2ZsBk>

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COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him, from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, that we may seek those things which are above, where he reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING **Acts 2.42-end**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Many were baptized and were added to the community. They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

GOSPEL READING **John 10.1-10**

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Pharisees:

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and

a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father, you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

We pray for our city of Hong Kong and for China; for our leaders and those in authority; for all medical staff and those involved in the emergency services; and for all who have been afflicted by the Coronavirus.

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for the Nippon Sei Ko Kai (The Anglican Communion in Japan) and The Most Revd Nathaniel Makoto Uematsu, Primate of The Nippon Sei Ko Kai & Bishop of Hokkaido.

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 Good Shepherd, The Revd Augusta Leung, staff team and the vestry members; for the worship and spiritual lives of everyone; for the Sunday School, fellowships, the ministries in nurturing the believers; for everyone eagerly seeking growth in spiritual life; for the health in body, mind and spirit of the teachers, staff, students and parents of SKH Good Shepherd Kindergarten, SKH Good Shepherd Primary School and SKH Tsoi Kung Po Secondary School; for the staff and members of HKSKH Lok Man Alice Kwok Integrated Service Centre; for the close cooperation between the church, the schools and social service centre joining together to be the witness of the Lord.

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 Christians in Central, InTouch Magazine, Cathedral Bookstore, Mission For Migrant Workers, HELP For Domestic Workers, SJC Life Enrichment Centre, and St John's Counselling Service.

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:

Donald Nip, Johnny Kroeker, Tsim Sze Ki, Chong Yuk Lau, Angela Rolston, Nie Shi Fa, Shirley Nie, Lene Bille Hoegh, May Cheng, Toung Ming, Philip Yeung, Sarah Phillipson, Edward Coles-Gale,

Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Kathryn McCallen, John Butcher, Francesca Lorenzi, Catherine Chan, CJ Verdejo, Jake Pitts, John McKinven, David Holme, Janice Currie, Irene Sun, Wong Lai King, Daniel Lee, Tai Yu Hei, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Richard Jones, Daisy Tai, Margaret Pini, Luke Inkin, Chen Kuk Tye, Kong Siu Ming, John David, Mike Chan, Anthony Chan, Raymond Yuen, Gareth Williams, Ron Fast, Phyllis Schmitz, Kathryn Lewis, Annie Kwan, Christina Chan, Donna Gail Willis, Leslie Henderson, Elaine Cogan, Geoff Walsh, Eunice Chan, Susan Westlake, Andrew Wong, Timothy Moreno, Monica Cornelius, Jeshu Yau, John McIntosh and Meena Tsui.

Please pray for the recently departed:

Rowena Seed, Thomas Wong

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

- **RTHK4 FM97.**

The Revd Franklin Lee will be speaking on 'Minutes that Matter' at 9.50am every Tuesday morning in May.

The Revd William Newman will be speaking on 'Minutes that Matter' at 9.50am every Friday morning in May.

- **RTHK3 AM567**

The Revd Franklin Lee will be speaking on 'Thought for the Week' at 8.25am today.

A PRAYER DURING THE CURRENT PANDEMIC



Merciful God,
we pray for the many people who have contracted the Covid-19 virus here in Hong Kong and throughout the nations of the world.
Bring comfort to those grieving loved ones have died
and peace to those worried, fearful and uncertain as the virus spreads.
We also pray for governments and authorities
who are developing strategies to contain and deal with the virus
and those frontline health workers,
who may be risking their own lives to care for sick patients.
Here in the Hong Kong we especially pray for the situation
and the procedures that have been put into force to try to halt its spread.
Help us all to be responsible in the things that we do in our lives
to prevent the spread of the virus
by taking heed of the recommended precautions
and avoiding situations which may make things worse.
We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(Diocese of Europe – adapted)

CASTAWAYS CHARITY SHOP (CLARES)

Opens on Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays from 12:30noon to 2:30pm, Saturdays from 10am to 12 noon, and Sundays from 10am to 11:45am.

Take a look and shop now! Slightly used.



Thanks to the kindheartedness of those good Samaritans who constantly support this charity shop. They have been our inspirations in supporting local charities. The shop continues and gladly accepts clothing, bags and shoes in good, clean and saleable conditions. Designer Sale will be announced later this year.

For donations please contact Jenny 53165125
or email her Jenniecairns@hotmail.co.uk

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE



Opening Hours :
from 10.30am to 4.00pm daily

Customers please send us Facebook Messenger messages for enquiries and orders during our non-operating hours.



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www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk.

MESSAGE OF HOPE

Every Monday and Wednesday one of the chaplains will share a short video called 'Message of Hope' on the Cathedral website and YouTube. In the face of the current situation, we hope that these messages will help us think, pray and reflect about our faith in the Risen Christ.

We are all saddened at not being able to worship together. As a praying community, let us live out our Christian hope and reach out to all those who are lonely, depressed and discouraged.

STAY CONNECTED WITH ST JOHN'S ON MOBILE

In view of the need for more effective communication with our congregation, the Cathedral is launching a communication channel '**St John's Updates**' for disseminating notices in a timely manner.

This channel will keep you updated about our Cathedral activities. If you wish to receive such messages by mobile phone, please follow the steps below:

— add the Cathedral mobile number **9506 2311** to the contact list of your mobile phone

— send a message of '**subscribe to St John's Updates**' to the number via WhatsApp or SMS

By providing us with your mobile phone number, you consent to receive messages from the Cathedral office through WhatsApp or SMS.

For more information about the collection of personal information by the Cathedral, please check out our website (<https://t.ly/Eygy3>).

WAYS TO SUPPORT THE CATHEDRAL MINISTRY- Online Donation and Bank Transfer

While we observe social distancing, the cathedral ministry and its operation continue to run. We encourage you to support our important work so that we may witness Christ's love and his message of hope at this critical time.

For **ONLINE DONATION**, please use the link below or the QR code for it. You may also consult our Cathedral Website under 'Donation'.



<https://www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk/Donation/default.aspx?lang=1>

For **BANK TRANSFER**, please transfer funds to

St John's Cathedral
HSBC Account Number 002-245348-001

and inform the cathedral office. A tax receipt will be issued for the donation received. We are grateful to your support for God's work at this difficult time.

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING to be held on Sunday 17th May 2020 at 1.00pm

The Church of England Trustees' Ordinance stipulates that the Annual Church Meeting is required to be held by the end of May of each year. This meeting will be one of the exemptions under the restrictions on gathering in response to the COVID-19 outbreak. We invite and encourage parishioners to attend the meeting. While attending it, the following measures will be taken.

1. Have the body temperature measured before entry.
2. Clean hands with sanitizer before entering the cathedral.
3. Wear mask throughout the meeting.
4. Maintain physical distancing. Only alternative seats will be available to maintain physical distancing.
5. Complete and submit a Health Declaration Form before entry. Please download the form from the Cathedral website.
<https://t.ly/bbR5>
6. The Annual Report will be available on the Cathedral website by 3rd May. (To protect our environment, limited hard copies of the Annual Report will be printed. Please submit your request to the office by 12th May should you need one.)



Notice is hereby given that the Annual Church Meeting of St. John's Cathedral will be held at Li Hall on Sunday the 17th May 2020, at 1:00p.m. for the purposes following :-

- (a) Receiving from the Church Council and considering : (i) a copy or copies of the electoral roll; (ii) an annual report on its proceedings; (iii) a statement of the financial affairs of the church;
- (b) The election of the trustees of St John's Cathedral for the Church of England Trust.
- (c) The election of the Church Council;
- (d) The election of sidesmen;
- (e) The election of an auditor;
- (f) Transacting of any other business connected with the affairs of the church.

To be part of the Electoral Roll is a way you demonstrate your sense of belonging which allows you to participate actively in the affairs of our common life and ministry. All qualified electors who wish their names to appear in the Electoral Roll must complete an "Electoral Roll Declaration," which is attached /available from the office. You are a qualified elector if you are (a) 18 years old and above; and (b) are baptized and a member of the Anglican Church or a Church in communion therewith; (c) do not belong to any religious body which is not in communion with the Anglican Church; and (d) are not entered upon the Electoral Roll of any other Church in the Diocese.

If you wish to cast a vote at the forthcoming ACM, you should complete and submit an Electoral Roll Declaration form. You do not need to fill out a new form if your name already appears on the current electoral roll, to confirm that, please call the Cathedral office at 25234157. Completed forms must reach the cathedral office, by 29th April 2020 for inclusion in the Electoral Roll for the purpose of the Annual Church Meeting 2020. Any inquiries may be directed to Viola Ip, the Executive Administrator of the Cathedral.

In preparation for the election of the trustees and council members, all those registered on the Electoral Roll are eligible to nominate and receive nomination. Please find the Nomination Form attached /available from the office. Each nomination requires the consent of the candidate, the nominee and a seconder. Please submit the completed form to the cathedral office by 29th April, 2020. Trustees and council members are important leadership positions in the cathedral. You are welcome to nominate individuals who are mature in the faith and committed in serving God and his people to these positions.

We thank you for your continuous contribution to the life of the church and look forward to your presence and participation at the Annual Church Meeting. God bless you all.

Dated this 29th March 2020

The Very Revd Matthias Der
Dean

Michael Spencer
Hon. Secretary



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HONG KONG SHENG KUNG HUI WELFARE COUNCIL

Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited

ACT OF LOVE – COVID-19 RELIEF FUND

Act of Love launched an appeal in March for the donation of cash or supermarket coupons, aiming to help those low-income families facing financial difficulties under the pandemic. Many church members have responded to the appeal by donating cash and coupons to support the families in need.

For the application, the required income and asset condition are with reference to the eligible criteria of the Food Bank and Rainbow Fund. Our fund provides emergency relief to those applicants awaiting approval or attempting a reapplication of the above two funds. Eligible applicants/families would receive HK\$500 supermarket coupons that are designated for the purchase of food items. Our fund also supports eligible applicants who have other needs, such as purchase of tablet or internet data cards for children's e-learning during school closure, medical treatment, etc. The maximum allocation would be HK\$2500 per application.

Until now, Act of Love has received more than 500 applications and a lot of enquiries from those in desperate need of urgent financial support. The Welfare Council looks forward to receiving continuous support from the church members, sharing God's love by responding to the appeal from Act of Love.

For more information, please contact the Act of Love Hotline at 8209-8122.

(Cheques payable to the 'Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui Welfare Council Limited'. Please mail your crossed cheque or original payment slip to Act of Love, 12/F, 112 Kennedy Road, Wan Chai, Hong Kong.

Bank transfer to Hang Seng Bank : 024-255-757999-883 or The Bank of East Asia: 015-514-10-407766-1.)