



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 JANUARY 2021 EPIPHANY SUNDAY

9.00am Sung Eucharist (Broadcast)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Mark Rogers
Communion Setting: Festive Eucharist (Noel Rawsthorne)
Hymns: 49ii, 40, 47, 56 (omit *)

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

2nd January Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese)
<https://youtu.be/kymguw9jB6g>

3rd January Sunday Eucharist and Installation Service

9.00am Sung Eucharist (English)
https://youtu.be/mFHNnkZ_rQ8

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin)
<https://youtu.be/a1d-KUsDIYI>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino)
<https://youtu.be/YJTfzX7ZWSI>

4.00pm Installation Service of The Most Revd Andrew Chan
as Archbishop and Primate
<https://www.hkskh.org>

COLLECT

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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 **Isaiah 60.1-6**

A reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the LORD.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 3.1-12

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote

above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 2.1-12

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, 'Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.' When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, 'In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

“And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.”

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared.

Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord God, the bright splendour whom the nations seek: may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light discern the glory of your presence in your Son, the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Episcopal / Anglican Province of Alexandria.

We pray for the Province of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui (Anglican Province of Hong Kong & Macau); for The Rt Revd Andrew Chan, our archbishop and primate; and for all bishops, priests and deacons within our diocese and province.

Today we pray especially for Archbishop Andrew Chan, we pray that he will fulfil the high vocation to lead all the faithful in Hong Kong and Macau to build up Christ's church in unity and love.

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 'Grace in a busy week', Bible Reading Fellowship, Chinese Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship, Andrew Fellowship, Friday Fellowship Group, Filipino Fellowship, and the IFI Fellowship.

We also pray for our link Diocese of Toungoo, Myanmar; pray for The Rt Revd Saw Sheesho, Bishop of Toungoo, for the diocesan office staff, community health workers, traditional birth attendants, and catechists, working in the remote Anglican villages in the diocese.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Rozana Leung-Bishop, Priscilla Wong and her parents, The Revd Matthew Khu Thay, Michael Chang, Caius Ng, Gerald Chang, Christine Lee Yuk Fung, Tia McPhee, Yvonne Fong, Liew Kam Lin, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Tai Yu Hei, Kathryn Lewis, Peter Lau, CJ Verdejo, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Bruce McPhee, Daniel Lee, Gareth Williams, Tai Choi Yeng, Robert Chan, Nie Shi Fa, Shirley Nie, John Charman, Toungh Ming, Raymond Yuen, Richard Jones, Francesca Lorenzi, Luke Inkin, Jeshu Yau, Christina Poon, Tiew Siew Lee, Cath Dalton, , John David, Catherine Chan, Christina Chan, John McIntosh, Michael Banyard, Leung Siu Tim, Lene Bille Hoegh, Donna Gail Willis, Daisy Tai, Susan Westlake, Tsui Man Fong, John Butcher, Margaret Pini, Jake Pitts, John Banigan, Irene Lo Oi Lin,

Wong Lai King, Monica Cornelius, Chong Yuk Lau, Evelena Mathias, David Holme, Geoff Walsh, Anthony Chan, Heather Little, Meena Tsui, Leslie Henderson, Jane Cooper and Elaine Cogan.

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

Please pray for the recently departed:
Roberta Yule Owen
Choi Hui Ching Wah, Grace

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**.

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INSTALLATION SERVICE OF THE MOST REVD ANDREW CHAN AS ARCHBISHOP AND PRIMATE

The Installation Service of Archbishop and Primate of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui will take place today at 4.00pm at St John's Cathedral.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the government's restriction on social gathering, the installation service shall be attended only by those on the service rota. The Standing Committee of the General Synod cordially requests all clergy and the faithful to participate in the Service online via the website of the Provincial Office. Please pray for Archbishop-Elect Andrew Chan and his family.

Provincial website: www.hkskh.org

ACTING DEAN

From 1st January to 30th April 2021, The Revd Mark Rogers is the Acting Dean of St John's Cathedral. He can be contacted on the Cathedral Office telephone number 2523 4157 and via email at rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk.

A CHRISTMAS PRAYER FOR PEACE

Heavenly Father,
in a world where anxiety, not peace, reigns,
fill our hearts once again with the good news of Christmas.
Never have we needed your joy and peace more than now.
Forgive us for forgetting—that your love never changes,
and that you came to save us and give us life in all its fulness.
May the joy of this season give us hope in the days to come,
and may we always be thankful for the gift of Jesus,
our Emmanuel, God with us.
We ask all this in his name. Amen.

*Fr Robert Martin
Company of Mission Priests*

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

Acting Dean and Priest-In-Charge of Discovery Bay Church:

The Revd Mark Rogers

Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:

Community Building — The Revd Franklin Lee

Outreach — The Revd Will Newman

Christian Education — The Revd Will Newman
(*Priest-In-Charge of St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley*)

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

Serving the wider community:

SJC Counselling Service

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Mission for Migrant Workers

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and its ministries can be found on the
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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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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.

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