



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.'*

9TH MAY 2021 THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

8.00am Said Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Robert Martin
Reader: Jeannie Chan

9.00am Responsorial Eucharist

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Deacon: The Revd Will Newman
Communion Setting: Mass of Christ the Saviour (Dan Schutte)
Hymns: 106 (T.219)(omit v.2), 513, Great is thy faithfulness,
364 (T.408i)
Voluntary: Basse de Trompette ou de Cromorne, *from Messe
pour Orgue, from Livre d'Orgue* (Nicolas de Grigny)
Reader/Intercessor: Susan King/Alexander Kwan

10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Canon Peter Koon

11.45am Choral Mattins

Officiant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Will Newman
Reader: Gordon Jones

1.30pm Sung Eucharist (in Filipino)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

5.00pm Healing Eucharist

Celebrant: The Dean
Preacher: The Revd Mark Rogers
Hymns: 137, 140, 364 (T.408i), Great is thy faithfulness
Reader: TY Wong

THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

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| MON 10th May | 8.00am | Said Eucharist |
| | 12.30pm | <i>Meditation Group (suspended)</i> |
| | 1.00pm | One o'clock Prayer |
| TUE 11th | 8.00am | Said Eucharist |
| | 1.00pm | One o'clock Prayer |
| | 7.00pm | <i>Bible Reading Fellowship (ZOOM)</i> |
| WED 12th | 8.00am | Said Eucharist |
| | 1.00pm | One o'clock Prayer |
| | 1.15pm | <i>Lunchtime Recital (suspended)</i> |
| | 2.30pm | <i>Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese) (ZOOM)</i> |
| | 6.00pm | Said Eucharist |
| THU 13th Ascension Day | 9.00am | Said Eucharist |
| | 1.00pm | One o'clock Prayer |
| | 1.15pm | Said Eucharist |
| | 2.30pm | <i>Parents and Toddlers (suspended)</i> |
| | 7.30pm | Sung Eucharist |
| FRI 14th | 8.00am | Said Eucharist |
| | 1.00pm | One o'clock Prayer |
| | 3.00pm | <i>Friday Fellowship Group (ZOOM)</i> |
| SAT 15th | 8.30am | Said Eucharist |
| | 12.00noon | Said Eucharist (Filipino) |
| | 6.00pm | Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service) |
| SUN 16th May | The Sunday after Ascension (Unity Sunday) | |
| <i>Acts 1.15-17, 21-end</i> | 8.00am | Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis |
| <i>Psalms 1</i> | 9.00am | Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Dean Preacher: Pastor Maggie Mathieson |
| <i>1 John 5.9-13</i> | 10.30am | Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Dean |
| <i>John 17.6-19</i> | 11.45am | Responsorial Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Dean |
| | 1.30pm | Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant: The Revd Sharon Langbis Preacher: The Dean |
| | 5.00pm | Choral Evensong Officiant: The Revd Robert Martin Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre |

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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, READINGS, PRAYER AND NOTICE

COLLECT

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by his death he has recalled us to life, so by his continual presence in us he may raise us to eternal joy; 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

Acts 10.44-end

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter was speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, 'Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

John 15.9-17

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

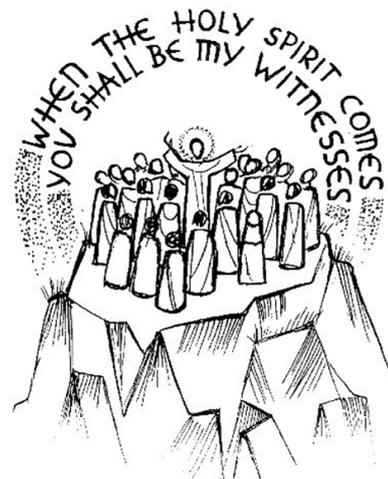
POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our Father, whose Son Jesus Christ gives the water of eternal life: may we thirst for you, the spring of life and source of goodness, through him who is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Ascension of Our Lord

Thursday, 13th May 2021

7.30pm Sung Eucharist



Celebrant: The Dean

Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon

PRAYERS

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of Kenya.

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

We pray for Church of The Ascension; for the Revd Stephen Hung and the congregation; for stewardship, spirituality and outreach ministries; for cooperation with HKSKH Tung Chung Integrated Services, HKSKH Tung Chung Nursery School and HKSKH Grace Garden for Rehab – Day Activity Centre and Hostel; for their vision and mission to be inaugurated as a parish in future.

Within the Cathedral Parish we pray for the Cathedral church and its various congregations, for the Dean and the chaplains; for our daughter churches; St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley, Discovery Bay Church 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.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Tommy Hui, Wanda Clay, John David, Wu Yuan Feng, Analiza Tobias, Averil Ashley, Alona Bagyaos, Priscilla Wong and her mother, Kathy Leung, Audrey Bullock, Catherine Chan, George Fong, Judy Holding, Val Rice, Emily Moore, Michael Chang, Yee (Zoe) Szeto-Law, Rebecca Crawford, Doris Hernandez San Miguel, Shirley Nie, Nie Shi Fa, Karen Szeto, Liew Kam Lin, The Revd Matthew Khu Thay, Tia McPhee, Luke Inkin, Toung Ming, Gerald Chang, Tai Yu Hei, Daisy Tai, Tai Choi Yeng, Peter Lau, Meena Tsui, Kathryn Lewis, Lene

Bille Hoegh, CJ Verdejo, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Bruce McPhee, Kit Packet, Tiew Siew Lee, Francesca Lorenzi, Margaret Pini, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Jake Pitts, Donna Gail Willis, Heather Little, Yvonne Fong, Jeshu Yau, Chong Yuk Lau, Tsui Man Fong, Jane Cooper, John Charman, Raymond Yuen, Christina Poon, John Butcher, Wong Lai King, Lianne Ng, Christina Chan, John Banigan, Richard Jones, Anthony Chan, Susan Westlake, David Holme, Evelena Mathias, Geoff Walsh, Monica Cornelius, Elaine Cogan, and Leslie Henderson.

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

Please pray for the recently departed:
Irene Lo Oi Lin

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.**

A PRAYER FOR THE NATION AND PEOPLE OF MYANMAR

Lord of the heavens and the earth, we give you thanks and praise for the rising from the dead of your Son Jesus Christ and for the never-ending love he offers us all.

Grant, we pray, resurrection life to the nation and people of Myanmar, that sadness may turn into joy, aggression into amity, despair into hope, and anxiety into calm, that the people may be reconciled.

This we ask in the Name of the Risen Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit One God, now and for ever. Amen.

-Anglican Communion

A MOTHER'S LOVE

There are times when only a mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappoints
And calm all of our fears.
There are times when only a mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.
There are times when only a mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.
For a mother's heart and a mother's faith
And a mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the angels
And sent from God above.

- Author Unknown

THE YOUTH MINISTRY IS AMONG US!

St John's Cathedral is going to launch a youth group 'Among Us'. Teenagers of 17-25 years old are invited to join.

The group will meet every Friday evening from 8.00-10.00pm. The first meeting will be held on 14th May in the Harold Smyth Room.

Please contact Fr Amos Poon or Ms Vanice Chan for more details. Tel. 2523 4157

MYANMAR APPEAL

Many thanks to all those who made generous donations to our appeal for funds for our link Diocese of Toungoo in Myanmar. The money raised will support their COVID-19 relief work, helping to buy personal protective equipment, pay staff at the church kindergartens which are closed and unable to pay salaries, and support church members and others who have lost their livelihood because of the economic dislocation caused by the virus. Thank you!

CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

Every year the Church calendar includes 'Unity Week', when we create ways to overcome the divisions between different branches of the Church. On Sunday 16th May please welcome The Revd Maggie Mathieson, Pastor of Kowloon Union Church, as our Preacher at the 9.00am service. And on Tuesday 18th May at 8.00pm you are very welcome to join the English-language Unity Service, held this year at St Francis Xavier Church, 58 Shek Kip Mei Street (MTR Shek Kip Mei, Exit A). The Preacher will be The Revd Will Newman.

MICHAELMAS FAIR 2021

Join us and support the Michaelmas Fair! Please mark your diary for:

- Sun 16th May 2021 Virtual Walkathon
- Sun 10th October 2021 Michaelmas Fair Pre-Sale
- Sat 30th October 2021 Michaelmas Fair

We need you more than ever! Let's get together for more fun and meaningful activities.

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WAYS IN PRAYER - ANGLICAN PRAYER BEADS

Since the earliest of times, people have used pebbles or a string of knots or beads on a cord to keep track of prayers offered to God. Virtually every major religious tradition in the world uses some form of prayer beads.

Anglican Prayer Beads are a relatively new form of prayer, blending the Orthodox Jesus Prayer Rope and the Roman Catholic Rosary. The thirty-three bead design was created by and Episcopalian priest, the Rev. Lynn Bauman, in the mid-1980s, through the prayerful exploration and discovery of a contemplative prayer group.

The use of the rosary or prayer beads helps to bring us into contemplative of meditative prayer—really thinking about and being mindful of praying, of being in the presence of God—by use of mind, body, and spirit. The touching of the fingers on each successive bead is an aid in keeping our mind from wandering, and the rhythm of the prayers leads us more readily into stillness.

Symbolism of the Beads

The configuration of the Anglican Prayer Beads relate contemplative prayer using the Rosary to many levels of traditional Christian symbolism. Contemplative prayer is enriched by these symbols whose purpose is always to focus and concentrate attention, allowing the one who prays to move more swiftly into the Presence of God.



The prayer beads are made up of twenty-eight beads divided into four groups of seven called weeks. In the Judeo-Christian tradition the number seven represents spiritual perfection and completion. Between each week is a single bead, called a cruciform bead as the four beads form a cross. The invitational bead between the cross and the wheel of beads brings the total to thirty-three, the number of years in Jesus' earthly life. There are a variety of sets of devotional prayers that can be used with the beads.

Where to get prayer beads

You will find a selection of prayer beads in different styles, and literature on how to use them, in our Cathedral Bookstore.

(Adapted from an article by King of Peace Episcopal Church, Kingsland, Georgia)



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Michaelmas Fair

Join Our

Virtual Walkathon

誠邀參加網上步行籌款

Date / 日期: Walk on or before 16 May 2021 / 2021年5月16日或以前步行

Time / 時間: 11:00am / 上午11時

Route / 路線: 2km walk in location of one's choice / 由參加者自行選址步行兩公里

Sponsorship forms should be sent to the Cathedral by email or post before 16 May
請於5月16日前將捐款表格以電郵或郵寄交回座堂

All proceeds will go towards supporting the Cathedral and its various ministries
所有捐款將用作支持聖約翰座堂及各項事工

**** For those who have submitted the sponsorship form, please collect T-Shirt and souvenir pack from the cathedral office reception ****

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

Dean

The Very Revd Kwok-keung Chan

Clergy Ministry Co-ordinators:

Chinese Ministry –

The Revd Canon Peter Koon

The Revd Amos Poon

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

Filipino Ministry –

The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

The Revd Sharon Langbis

Liturgy and Spirituality – The Revd Robert Martin
(*Priest-In-Charge of Emmanuel Church, Pokfulam*)

Mission and Ministry – The Revd Amos Poon

Outreach – The Revd Mark Rogers

(*Priest-In-Charge of Discovery Bay Church*)

Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

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Mrs Viola Ip

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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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