

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.'

# 13th February 2022 The Third Sunday before Lent

## 9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant and Preacher:	The Dean	
<b>Communion Setting:</b>	Broken for You (Margaret Rizza)	
Hymns:	When, in our music, God is glorified (omit v.4),	
	341, 297, 114	

## 12th February Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese) https://youtu.be/HhJGrvYpOcc

## 13th February Sunday Eucharist and Choral Evensong

- 9.00am Sung Eucharist (English) https://youtu.be/s9C7vON8jxs
- 10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin) https://youtu.be/HgIVFqw7DAY
- 10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino) https://youtu.be/TnofMWWZMrI
- 5.00pm Choral Evensong https://youtu.be/wfZ1p6B2ZxU

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## COLLECT

Almighty God, who alone can bring order to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity: give your people grace so to love what you command and to desire what you promise, that, among the many changes of this world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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 Jeremiah 17.5-10

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

This is the word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

#### SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15.12-20

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

If Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ-whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

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

#### GOSPEL READING Luke 6.17-26

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

## All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said:

'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh.

'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry.

'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep.

Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.

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

### POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Merciful Father, who gave Jesus Christ to be for us the bread of life, that those who come to him should never hunger: draw us to the Lord in faith and love, that we may eat and drink with him at his table in the kingdom, where he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

**In the worldwide Anglican Communion** we pray for The Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

#### Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui

(Anglican Province of Hong Kong & Macau); for the Most Revd Andrew Chan, our archbishop and primate; for our Diocesan Bishop, the Rt Revd Matthias Der, and for all bishops, priests and deacons within our diocese and province.

We pray for St Titus' Church; for the Revd Billy Ip and the Revd Wong Lai Ha, fellow workers and the spiritual lives of the congregation; for the vision and the future development of various outreach and nurture ministries; for the devotion and spiritual growth of the parishioners; for the evangelical and pastoral care ministries; may God strengthen their faith and edify fellowship among the congregation; for the development of Alpha parenting course and nurturing programmes, in particular, the pilot scheme on ministry to children, may God guide and lead all participants to pursue Christ; for the church's mission in SKH Ma On Shan Holy Spirit Primary School, the evangelical ministry for the school students and parents; For the community cooperating partner: H.K.S.K.H. Ma On Shan Children & Youth Integrated Service Centre , for better and closer cooperation between the church and the centre so that they can be the witness of God.

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 in our prayers 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; pray for the Rt Revd Dr Saw Sheesho, Bishop, and for the parishes where people are suffering from COVID-19 and the lack of vaccines and adequate protective equipment.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### Please pray for those who are sick:

Grace Yuen, Wong Dor Chun, Yvonne Fong, May Wong, Pekkle Cheng, Kevin Marc Lee, Bishop Thomas Soo, Edwin Yeo Thiam Lock, Dennis Chan, Brigitta Wheele, Lincoln Huang, Daniel Colson, Laurie Rooke, Christina Leong, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Lucita Villareal, Marin Leong Kum Chee, Peggy Yu, Tsui Man Fong, Yee (Zoe) Szeto-Law, Tiew Siew Lee, Wong Lai King, Jane Pang Tong, Alice Wright, Priscilla Chen, JoAnne Sharlach, Joyce Chan, Raymond Yuen, Sanson Lau, John Cavid, Toung Ming, Eva Sorrel, Christina Poon, Lene Bille Hoegh, Lo Yuk Wah, Kasper Buist, Lee Sui Sung, Averil Ashley, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Tommy Hui, Catherine Chan, Evelena Mathias, George Fong, Michael Chang, Rebecca Crawford, Val Rice, and Heather Little.

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

*Please pray for the recently departed:* Lam Chun Yiu, Magda Verhaegen, Carlito Malabunga Francia

*In memoriam:* Reynaldo Bagoba Lim

Please remember those named above in your private prayers. To include someone in this prayer list, please contact Elisa, **Tel.: 2523 4157**.

#### **PRAYER IN TIME OF PANDEMIC**

Dear Lord, as we continue to journey through this period of pandemic and social distancing, help us to proclaim that; we are not people of fear: we are people of courage. We are not people who protect our own safety: we are people who protect our neighbours' safety. We are not people of greed: we are people of generosity. We are your people God, giving and loving, wherever we are, whatever it costs For as long as it takes wherever you call us. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

British Methodist Conference (adapted)

#### WORSHIP SERVICES AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL SUSPENDED

In response to the latest announcement from the House of Bishops of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, public worship services and group activities of St John's Cathedral are suspended from the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2022 until further notice. This extraordinary measure is to minimize public gatherings for the health and safety of all.

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

By the order of the House of Bishops, the Cathedral will be temporarily closed from 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 until further notice.

#### SJC BOOKSTORE OPENING HOURS

In response to the ongoing pandemic and the recent government restrictions, the Bookstore opening hours below will be effective from Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022 until further notice.

> 10.30am to 4.00pm Monday – Saturday

Closed – Sunday

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



#### A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP MATTHIAS DER HKSKH Diocese of Hong Kong Island

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the diocese,

As the pandemic persists and escalates in HK, I call upon you all to pray earnestly for our community. Our prayers go to those who have been infected, hoping that they will be healed soon. We remember their families and loved ones as they must be terribly worried, not to mention anxiously awaiting their own test results. Our prayers go to all those who are in quarantine. May God grant them an assurance of His presence during this time of isolation.

Please remember in your prayers, all the doctors, nurses, and medical professionals, all those who work to administer tests and vaccinations, those who run and care for the people in quarantine centers, those who make sure our community remains clean, and all the people who have worked tirelessly to fight against the pandemic.

I encourage you to pray for the people, businesses, and places that have been greatly affected by the restrictions. Pray that with the help of the community, their needs will be provided for.

Please pray for each of us and our people, that we will keep our hope and faith strong in God. Pray that we will keep our eyes open for those in need and that we will make an effort to assist them.

God is our help. Jesus Christ walks with us at this time, a time of darkness. May God bless and guide you all.

If you have any special concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your parish clergy. We are here to walk alongside with you.

God bless. + Bishop Matthias Der



Our new address for all future visits & correspondence Room 606, 299QRC, 287-299 Queen's Road Central, Sheung Wan



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# ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE

# THE WAY OF LOVE: TURN

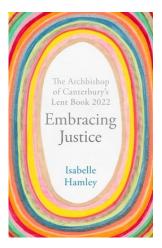
(The Little Book of Guidance)

This year's Lent Book is 'Turn', from a series called 'The Way of Love'. 'Turn' encourages Christians to follow Jesus' Way of Love by turning towards God: pause, listen, and choose to follow Jesus in our daily life. Look out for details of Lent Courses you can join with the Cathedral clergy, in different languages. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March. 'Turn' will be available from the Cathedral Bookstore at the end of February.

# 「轉向」尋回愛的道路

學習如何踐行「愛的道路」,從罪惡與仇恨中, 轉向仁愛和公義。





## EMBRACING JUSTICE

The Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book 2022

Full of practical encouragement, the Archbishop of Canterbury's Lent Book for 2022 brilliantly weaves together biblical texts, diverse voices, contemporary stories, and personal and group meditations to reveal liberating and imaginative ways in which me may grow in discipleship – and more fully reflect the justice, mercy and compassion of Christ in our lives.

#### **READY, SET, FIND—Easter Story** Traditional Chinese/English, Board book

In *Ready, Set, Find Easter,* get ready to follow Jesus as he enters Jerusalem, shares the Last Supper with his friends, and walks in the garden of Gethsemane. This tabbed board book is perfect for young children, who will love finding the 48 hidden objects throughout the pages while reading the classic story of Easter.



# ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MICHAELMAS FAIR 2022

You can order your **Christmas stockings** with names for Christmas times 2022. Each stocking costs \$100. Order forms are available at the Cathedral office and on the shelves at the entrance of the Church.

Payments can be made in cash to Mr Thomas Li, our Executive Administrator, or by crossed cheque, payable to St John's Cathedral.

Order deadline: 31st March 2022

For enquiries, please contact Mrs June Li at Tel 2849 6057 or Mr Thomas Li at Tel 2523 4157.

# **HKSKH Ming Hua Theological College**

# **Recruitment for Degree Programmes**

in Semester 2, 2021/22 (28<sup>th</sup> February – 17<sup>th</sup> June 2022) (in partnership with Charles Sturt University, Australia)

Bachelor of Theology Subject Fee: HK\$5,875		
Subject Code & Name	Lecturer	
THL105 Introduction to Old Testament Studies	Dr Stephen Lim	
THL111 Introduction to Christian Theology	Dr Matthew Jones	
THL113 Being the Church	Dr Matthew Jones	
THL132 The European Reformations	Revd Dr Jim West	
THL203 Paul and His Letters	Revd Ross Royden	
THL218 Christian Ministry	Revd Dr Chun-wai Lam	
THL241 Biblical Hebrew 2	Dr Stephen Lim	
THL308 The Prophetic Literature	Revd Canon Dr Eric Chong	
THL326 Theological Ethics	Revd Prof John Kater	
THL330 Global Christianity since 1700	Revd Prof Philip Wickeri	
Master of Theology Subject Fee: HK\$14,500		

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Subject Code & Name	Lecturer	
THL535 Seminar in Biblical and Theological Interpretation	Dr Stephen Lim	
THL545 Classic Texts in Christian Theology	Dr Rowena Chen	

The above courses are registered courses under the Non-local Higher and Professional Education (Regulation) Ordinance (Chapter 493). It is a matter of discretion for individual employers to recognize any qualification to which this course may lead.

*Registration Numbers:* 212741 (Master of Theology); 212740 (Bachelor of Theology)

Application Deadline: 21st February 2022

*Enquiry and Application:* admission@minghua.edu.hk / WhatsApp: +852 9530 7241

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## 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)

Youth Ministry – The Revd Amos Poon

# Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

# **Executive Administrator:**

Mr Thomas Li

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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/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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