



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.'*

17TH JANUARY 2021 THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

9.00am Sung Eucharist (Broadcast)

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis
Communion Setting: Broken for You (Margaret Rizza)
Hymns: 332 (omit *), 239, 294, Will you come and follow me

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

16th January Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese) <https://youtu.be/t66OYmURD94>

17th January Sunday Eucharist and Choral Evensong

9.00am Sung Eucharist (English) <https://youtu.be/zTNeoUuk69U>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin) <https://youtu.be/nMU9aJgljNc>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino) <https://youtu.be/4-gUYK13Dow>

5.00pm Choral Evensong <https://youtu.be/-VHrej3oJJs>

ONLINE
DONATION



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

COLLECT, READINGS AND PRAYER

COLLECT

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new: transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known your heavenly glory; 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

Revelation 5.1-10

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.'

Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made

them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

John 1.43-end

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming towards him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God of glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life: fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us the light of your glory may shine in all the world. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PRAYERS

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Anglican Church of Australia; for The Most Revd Geoffrey Smith, Archbishop and Primate.

We pray for the Province of 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 Epiphany and The Revd Chow Wai Man; for the parish community; for their spiritual growth; for the parish schools, and the people in the parish, proclaiming the Christian faith and serving the need of the people.

Within the Cathedral Parish we pray for the Cathedral church and its various congregations; for the Acting 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 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 Bishop Saw Sheesho and for the work of the different departments of Toungoo Diocese: the Men's Association, Mothers' Union, Anglican Young People's Association, Christian Education, Mission & Evangelism (Development Desk), and Communications Department.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Helen Roberts, George Fong, Priscilla Wong and her parents, Daisy Burton, Lianne Ng, Tia McPhee, Flora Cheung, Christine Lee Yuk Fung, Liew Kam Lin, Peter Lau, Audrey Bullock, Nie Shi Fa, Shirley Nie, Rozana Leung-Bishop, CJ Verdejo, Michael Chang, Caius Ng, The Revd Matthew Khu Thay, Francesca Lorenzi, Tai Choi Yeng, Gerald Chang, Yvonne Fong, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Tai Yu Hei, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Kathryn Lewis, Jeshu Yau, Lene Bille Hoegh, Margaret Pini, Christina Poon, Bruce McPhee, Robert Chan, John Charman, Raymond Yuen, Cath Dalton, Michael Banyard, Daisy Tai, Toung Ming, Richard Jones, Christina Chan, Luke Inkin, Tiew Siew Lee, John David, Leung Siu Tim, Catherine Chan, John Banigan, Donna Gail Willis, Jake Pitts, Susan Westlake, Tsui Man Fong, John Butcher, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Wong Lai King, Heather Little, Geoff Walsh, Monica Cornelius, Evelena Mathias, Chong Yuk Lau, Anthony Chan, Jane Cooper, Meena Tsui, David Holme, Leslie Henderson, and Elaine Cogan.

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

*Please pray for the recently departed:
Ho Sau To*

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.**



ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS

At the invitation of The Most Revd Andrew Chan, Archbishop and Primate of Hong Kong Sheng Kung Hui, The Most Revd Dr Paul Kwong has agreed to serve as the Archbishop Emeritus with immediate effect.



BISHOP EMERITI

At the invitation of The Rt Revd Matthias Der, Diocesan Bishop of Hong Kong Island, The Most Revd Dr Peter Kwong and The Most Revd Dr Paul Kwong have graciously agreed to serve as Bishop Emeriti with immediate effect.

STAY CONNECTED WITH ST JOHN'S ON MOBILE

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

This channel keeps us updated with 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>).

DAILY GOSPEL REFLECTION

'Daily Gospel Reflection' is an audio clip distributed to subscribers of St John's Updates by WhatsApp every weekday. Through these voice messages, our clergy will provide us with spiritual food for personal meditation.

PANDEMIC

What if you thought of it
as the Jews consider the Sabbath—
the most sacred of times?
Cease from travel.
Cease from buying and selling.
Give up, just for now,
on trying to make the world
different than it is.
Sing. Pray. Touch only those
to whom you commit your life.
Center down.

And when your body has become still,
reach out with your heart.
Know that we are connected
in ways that are terrifying and beautiful.
(You could hardly deny it now.)
Know that our lives
are in one another's hands.
(Surely, that has come clear.)
Do not reach out your hands.
Reach out your heart.
Reach out your words.
Reach out all the tendrils
of compassion that move, invisibly,
where we cannot touch.

Promise this world your love—
for better or for worse,
in sickness and in health,
so long as we all shall live.

— *Lynn Ungar, March 11, 2020*



HOURLY SUNDAY PRAYERS

In compliance to the government guidelines for control of the pandemic, the hourly prayers on Sunday will be suspended until further notice. The prayers, however, are available by scanning the QR code which is available on each pew. Please listen using your headsets.

NOTICES

SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE ANNUAL FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN OF THE HKSKH WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The HKSKH Women's League endeavours to follow the Anglican mission of evangelism and social services. Even though the world has been plagued by the COVID-19 Pandemic in the past year, the HKSKH Women's League is thankful for God's guidance and has been able to proceed with her Annual Fundraising Campaign, enabling her to continue to use the donations to help needy parishes and mission churches in their pastoral and evangelical missioned work as well as to support the Church's charitable endeavours to help the underprivileged.

It is due to the zealous support of the members of the parishes, our Annual Fundraising Campaign has enabled the League to fulfill her mission. The executive committee of the League has resolved to apply part of the donations received to support various parishes in their pastoral and evangelical programs. The rest of the donation has been given to the HKSKH Welfare Council's 'Act of Love' program to provide emergency assistance to those affected by the pandemic.

The League expresses the deepest gratitude to the tremendous support and encouragement from the members of our cathedral.

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE



To welcome the coming of the Year of the Ox 🐂,
all Chinese New Year's gift items
are on sale with 10% discount
from now till 28th February 2021

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL MINISTRY TEAM

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

The Revd Mark Rogers

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*)

Community Building – The Revd Franklin Lee

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

Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

Executive Administrator:

Mrs Viola Ip

Serving the wider community:

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*

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.*

Other questions / information:

I do not agree to receive any promotional materials from St John's Cathedral.

This information is collected in accordance with the Personal Data Privacy Statement as published on the St John's Cathedral website at "www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk".