

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.'

20TH FEBRUARY 2022 The Second Sunday before Lent

9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant: Preacher:	The Dean The Revd Robert Martin
Communion Setting:	Broken for You (Margaret Rizza)
Hymns:	354, Fierce raged the tempest o'er the deep, 393, 466

19th February Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese) https://youtu.be/ZtuqKRq8Y0E

20th February Sunday Eucharist and Choral Evensong

- 9.00am Sung Eucharist (English) https://youtu.be/Y4eB2vXDwkY
- 10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin) https://youtu.be/vBR3u7vkGVo
- 10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino) https://youtu.be/vKrb-d949Yk
- 5.00pm Choral Evensong https://youtu.be/difY-Ua4lqU

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COLLECT

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Genesis 2.4b-9, 15-end

A reading from the book of Genesis.

In the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, when no plant of the field was yet in the earth and no herb of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was no one to till the ground; but a stream would rise from the earth, and water the whole face of the ground—then the LORD God formed man from the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and the man became a living being. And the LORD God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there he put the man whom he had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God made to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Then the LORD God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper as his partner.' So out of the ground the LORD God formed every animal of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. The man gave names to all cattle, and to the birds of the air, and to every animal of the field; but for the man there was not found a helper as his partner. So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then he took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman, for out of Man this one was taken.' Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked, and were not ashamed.

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

SECOND READING Revelation 4

A reading from the book of Revelation.

After this I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, 'Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this.' At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne! And the one seated there looks like jasper and cornelian, and around the throne is a rainbow that looks like an emerald. Around the throne are twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones are twenty-four elders, dressed in white robes, with golden crowns on their heads. Coming from the throne are flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and in front of the throne burn seven flaming torches, which are the seven spirits of God; and in front of the throne there is something like a sea of glass, like crystal.

Around the throne, and on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with a face like a human

face, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle. And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and inside. Day and night without ceasing they sing, 'Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.' And whenever the living creatures give glory and honour and thanks to the one who is seated on the throne, who lives for ever and ever, the twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives for ever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, 'You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honour and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created.'

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

GOSPEL READING Luke 8.22-25

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

One day Jesus got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side of the lake.' So they put out, and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A gale swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. They went to him and woke him up, shouting, 'Master, Master, we are perishing!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. He said to them, 'Where is your faith?' They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?'

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican

Communion we pray for The Episcopal Church in Jerusalem & The Middle East.

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 Matthias' Church,

the Revd Vincent Chan and the Revd Ryan Cheung; may God grant wisdom and love, so that all brothers and sisters may act according to the teaching of Christ, follow the examples of the parish's pioneers, and share the Gospel with all their hearts and with all their soul; for the fellowship and caring ministry; and for the nurturing ministry of the parish; for the school ministry in St Matthias' Church Nursery School, St Matthias' Church Chiu Chun Kindergarten, S.K.H. Ling Oi Primary School and SKH Bishop Baker Secondary School.

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 Christians in Central, InTouch Magazine, Cathedral Bookstore, Mission For Migrant Workers, SJC Life Enrichment Centre, and St John's Counselling Service. 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, Christina Poon, Lo Yuk Wah, Kasper Buist, Lee Sui Sung, Eva Sorrel, Averil Ashley, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Tommy Hui, Lene Bille Hoegh, Evelena Mathias, Michael Chang, Catherine Chan, George Fong, Val Rice, Rebecca Crawford 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, Leslie Y C Yao, Ko Fong

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**.

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 7th 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 is temporarily closed from 10th February 2022 until further notice.

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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

STRENGTH FOR THIS CHALLENGING TIMES

Father, we pray for your love and compassion to abound as we walk through this challenging season.

We ask for wisdom for those who bear the load of making decisions with widespread consequences.

We pray for those who are suffering with sickness and all who are caring for them.

We ask for protection for the elderly and vulnerable to not succumb to the risks of the virus.

We pray for misinformation to be curbed that fear may take no hold in hearts and minds.

As we exercise the good sense that you in your mercy provide, may we also approach each day in faith and peace, trusting in the truth of your goodness towards us.

In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

- Jesuit Resources

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE

THE WAY OF LOVE: TURN

(The Little Book of Guidance)

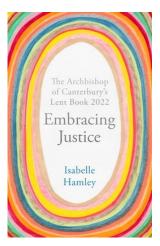
This year's Lent Book is 'Turn', from a series called 'The Way of Love'. The book encourages Christians to follow Jesus' Way of Love by turning towards God: pause, listen, and choose to follow Jesus in our daily life.

Look out for details of Lent Courses you can join with the Cathedral clergy, in different languages. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 2nd 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 (28th February – 17th 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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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

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The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

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Mr Thomas Li

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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: _____

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Please circle as appropriate:

I attend the 8.00am/9.00am/10.30am/11.45am/1.30pm/5.00pm service.

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