



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.'*

**21ST MARCH 2021
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

9.00am Sung Eucharist (Broadcast)

Celebrant:	The Revd Mark Rogers
Preacher:	The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri
Communion Setting:	Addington Service (Richard Shephard)
Hymns:	94, 83, 445, 461 (T.700)

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

20th March Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese) <https://youtu.be/A50CbrTq9ak>

21st March Sunday Eucharist and Choral Evensong

9.00am Sung Eucharist (English) <https://youtu.be/DsBLZbHq1EA>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin) <https://youtu.be/fzip2VO7Z8M>

10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino) <https://youtu.be/Pa82EnpdEeA>

5.00pm Choral Evensong <https://youtu.be/AhAZO3bgIcs>

25th March Thursday

The Annunciation of Our Lord to the Blessed Virgin Mary

7.30pm Sung Eucharist <https://youtu.be/mRMg5V7ODSY>

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COLLECT

Most merciful God, who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ delivered and saved the world: grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross we may triumph in the power of his victory; 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

Hebrews 5.5-10

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, 'You are my Son, today I have begotten you'; as he says also in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, according to the order of Melchizedek.' In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

John 12.20-33

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, 'Sir, we wish to see Jesus.' Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, 'The hour has come

for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honour.

'Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—"Father, save me from this hour"? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.' The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, 'An angel has spoken to him.' Jesus answered, 'This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters we do also for you: give us the will to be the servant of others as you were the servant of all, and gave up your life and died for us, but are alive and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican Communion we pray for The Church of England and The Most Revd Justin Welby.

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 St Mary's Church, for The Revd Tsui Yuk Fan, The Revd Samuel Tang and The Revd Kenneth Lo.

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 Christians in Central, InTouch Magazine, Cathedral Bookstore, Mission For Migrant Workers, HELP For Domestic Workers, SJC Life Enrichment Centre, and St John's Counselling Service.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for those who are sick:

Judy Holding, Emily Moore, Yee (Zoe) Szeto-Law, Audrey Bullock, Rebecca Crawford, Val Rice, Lianne Ng, George Fong, Liew Kam Lin, Priscilla Wong and her mother, Chi Kwong, Fung Chai, Nie Shi Fa, Shirley Nie, Karen Szeto, The Revd Matthew Khu Thay, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Tia McPhee, Peter Lau, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Tai Yu Hei, Tai Choi Yeng, Michael Chang, Kathryn Lewis, CJ Verdejo, Kit Packet, Margaret Pini, Cath Dalton, Luke Inkin, Gerald Chang, Tiew Siew Lee, Christina Poon, Francesca Lorenzi, Lene Bille Hoegh, Yvonne Fong, Jeshu Yau, Toung Ming, Bruce McPhee, Daisy Tai, Christina Chan, John Charman, Raymond Yuen, Jake Pitts, Anthony Chan, Tsui Man Fong, Catherine Chan, John David, Donna Gail Willis, Irene Lo Oi Lin, Leung Siu Tim, Richard Jones, Geoff

Walsh, John Banigan, Susan Westlake, Monica Cornelius, John Butcher, Wong Lai King, Heather Little, Jane Cooper, Meena Tsui, Chong Yuk Lau, Evelena Mathias, David Holme, Leslie Henderson, and Elaine Cogan.

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

Please pray for the recently departed:
Yvonne Chua

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**.

LIGHT A CANDLE FOR OUR LINK DIOCESE OF TOUNGOO, MYANMAR

Our friends in the Diocese of Toungoo, Bishop Sheesho and retired Bishop John Wilme, ask for our prayers for the Church and people in Myanmar. As the situation gets worse, please come to the cathedral, pray for Myanmar using the prayer set beside the pulpit, and light a candle in the Michael Chapel to remember before God the people of Myanmar.

A Prayer for Myanmar

Almighty God, our loving Father, look with mercy on your people in Myanmar and especially on the victims of the violence, and our friends in the Diocese of Toungoo.

Comfort the dying and those who mourn, bring healing to those who are wounded and hurt, and courage to those who are in fear. Shed your light in the darkness of men's hearts, that all may see the common humanity in each other.

And may your Holy Spirit, the Spirit of wisdom, peace and justice, guide, inspire and strengthen Christians in Myanmar, and all people of goodwill. Bring good out of evil, and life out of death. Jesus Christ, who suffered and died for us, our Lord and Saviour. Amen.



A PRAYER IN DIFFICULT TIMES

God of grace and mercy,
your son Jesus wept at the tomb of his friend Lazarus.
Send your Holy Spirit on those who grieve,
who struggle, and all who fear.
Meet us in our times of questioning, anger, and doubt.
Show us what we can do to enable one another
to overcome isolation, distress, and despair.
And make us a humbler people who know our need of you.
In Christ's name.
Amen.

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL OPENING HOURS

Cathedral Church

Sundays	10.30am—6.00pm
Weekdays	7.00am—6.00pm
Saturdays	7.00am—3.00pm
Public Holidays	10.00am—4.00pm

Cathedral Office

Weekdays	9.00am—5.30pm
Saturdays	9.00am—12.00noon





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NOTICE OF REVISION OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

For over 170 years, St John's Cathedral has been offering the love and hope of Jesus Christ to the people of Hong Kong. Through your prayers, support, attendance and ministry, you are upholding this fine Christian tradition and are making our community a blessing for many. To be part of the Electoral Roll is another way you demonstrate your sense of belonging which allows you to participate actively in the affairs of our common life and ministry.

St John's Cathedral is once again revising its Electoral Roll. All qualified electors who wish their names to appear in the Electoral Roll must complete an 'Electoral Roll Declaration,' which is attached/available at the Cathedral Office. You are a qualified elector if you are (a) 18 years old and above; and (b) are baptized and a member of the Anglican Church or a Church in communion therewith; (c) do not belong to any religious body which is not in communion with the Anglican Church; and (d) are not entered upon the Electoral Roll of any other Church in the Diocese. If you wish to cast a vote at the forthcoming ACM, to be held on Sunday 25th April 2021, and are not yet on the Electoral Roll, you must complete and submit an Electoral Roll Declaration Form.

Completed forms must reach the Cathedral Office, by 7th April 2021 for inclusion in the Electoral Roll for the purpose of the Annual Church Meeting 2021. If you are unsure about your status on the Electoral Roll, please contact the Cathedral Office at 2523 4157.

Michael Spencer

Hon. Secretary

14th March 2021



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NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Church Meeting of St John's Cathedral will be held at the cathedral church on Sunday the 25th April 2021, at 3.30 p.m. for the purposes following, namely -

- (a) receiving from the Church Council and considering-
 - (i) a copy or copies of the electoral roll;
 - (ii) an annual report on its proceedings;
 - (iii) a statement of the financial affairs of the church;
- (b) the election of the trustees of St John's Cathedral for the Church of England Trust;
- (c) the election of the Church Council;
- (d) the election of sidesmen;
- (e) the election of an auditor;
- (f) the transacting of any other business connected with the affairs of the church.

The Revd Mark Rogers

Acting Dean

14th March 2021

SJC HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2021 WEBCAST SERVICES

27th March 2021 – Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese)

28th March 2021 – Palm Sunday

9.00am Sung Eucharist (English)
10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin)
10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino)
5.00pm Tenebrae Service

29th March 2021 – Monday in Holy Week

9.00am Stations of the Cross

1st April 2021 – Maundy Thursday

10.00am Solemn Liturgy for the Blessing of Oils &
the Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service by the Clergy
8.00pm Sung Eucharist with the Washing of Feet

2nd April 2021 – Good Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer
12.00noon 'Walking with Jesus', A Family Service
1.30pm Good Friday Liturgy

3rd April 2021 – Holy Saturday

9.00am Morning Prayer
8.00pm Easter Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter

4th April 2021 – Easter Day

9.00am Sung Eucharist
10.30am Holy Eucharist (Mandarin)
10.30am Holy Eucharist (Filipino)
5.00pm Festal Evensong



SOLEMN LITURGY FOR THE BLESSING OF OILS ON MAUNDY THURSDAY & THE RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT TO PRIESTLY SERVICE BY THE CLERGY

The Provincial occasion of the Solemn Liturgy for the Blessing of Oils and the Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service by the Clergy will be held on Maundy Thursday, 1st April 2021 at 10.00am at St John's Cathedral. The Most Revd Andrew Chan will preside, preach and bless the three particular oils – of catechumens, of the sick, and of chrism in the Eucharist, and the clergy will make renewal of their commitments to priestly service. All faithful are welcomed to watch the online broadcast in this special service.

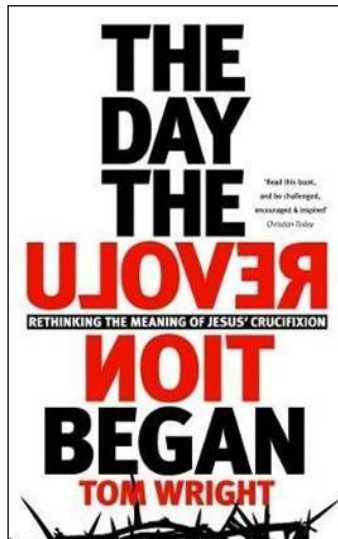
Link: <https://youtu.be/yN1GnDmgY6s>

Provincial website: www.hkskh.org

Website of St John's Cathedral: www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk

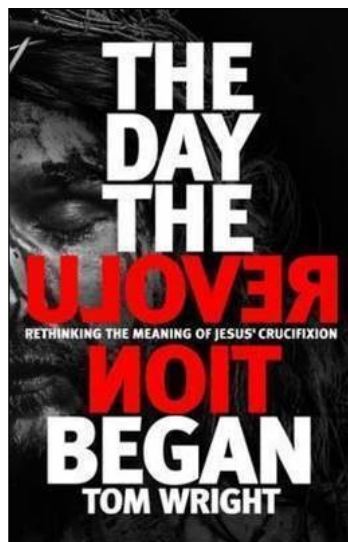
The Day the Revolution Began: Rethinking The Meaning of Jesus' Crucifixion

by Tom Wright



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BOOK REVIEW BY THE REVD FRANKLIN LEE

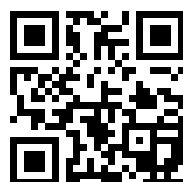
Wright, NT. *The Day the Revolution Began: Rethinking the Meaning of Jesus's Crucifixion*. London: SPCK, 2016. Pp. viii + 440. ISBN: 978-0-281-06145-7 [Hardcover].

With impressive ambition and energy, the renowned theologian NT Wright has intensely examined the nature and meaning of the crucifixion of Jesus in his book *The Day the Revolution Began*. Throughout the book, Wright invites his readers to rethink and reflect the meaning and significance of Jesus' crucifixion and death in its biblical and historical contexts. He challenges the traditional emphasis that Jesus died on the cross in order to save people from sin, important though it is, and allows them to enter heaven. He argues that the focus should be on how the world has been revolutionised and transformed because of Jesus' death on the cross.

Wright understands the cross as part of a grand plan of redemption which includes the story of Israel. He challenges those who wish to follow Christ to focus on living the life of the Kingdom in the here and now rather than simply being 'good people' in order to enter heaven after death. The emphasis should be about living the life of the Kingdom in the present and doing God's will on earth as it is in heaven, and that "a human vocation to an active, involved role within God's future world, anticipated by an equivalent active, involved role within God's present creation" (p.159).

Furthermore, Wright also argues that perfection, if this can ever be achieved, is not a prerequisite for heaven. God's judgement does not rest on whether human beings have reached perfection. Wright encourages his readers to focus on how Jesus' crucifixion has won victory over the power of death and evil and has triumphed over the sin of idolatry. This revolutionary event releases people from the chains of sin and empowers them to bear the image of God and his love in the world. Instead of bowing down to idols, the cross of Jesus points to the ultimate purpose of being human—worshipping God. For Wright, "the basic 'sin' is actually idolatry, worshipping and serving anything in the place of the one true God. And, since humans are made for the life that comes from God and God alone, to worship that which is not God is to fall in love with death" (p.102).

Wright weaves the significance of Jesus' crucifixion throughout the book, arguing that Jesus has started a revolution two thousand years ago to bring into action a world-transforming movement with the ultimate purpose of restoring and reconciling the whole creation to God. As Wright puts it, "According to that original revolution, rescued humans are set free to be what they were made to be..... To reflect the divine image means standing between heaven and earth, even in the present time, adoring the Creator and bringing his purposes into reality on earth, ahead of the time when God completes the task and makes all things new..... The revolution of the cross sets us free to be in-between people, caught up in the rhythm of worship and mission." (p.363) This well-written book challenges its readers to rethink the significance of the cross in their lives and how they are being drawn into this revolution that will transform the world.



NOTICE

ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

Michaelmas Fair 2021 (Special) Home Produce & Handicraft

Home Produce & Handicraft will be on sale in the Li Hall on 24th April (Saturday) and 25th April (Sunday) from 10:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. Pre-Order can be done by filling out this form and send it with payment - in cheque (make payable to "**St John's Cathedral**", and crossed) or in cash to:-

Mrs June Li
c/o St John's Cathedral, 4 - 8 Garden Road, Central, Hong Kong

P.S. No order will be taken without payment, and no more order after 17th April 2021 (Wednesday). Any queries, please call the Cathedral office at 2523 4157.

Name:_____ Telephone:_____

QUANTITY

_____	3-Fruit Marmalade @\$35 per jar	\$ _____
_____	Orange Ginger Marmalade @\$35 per jar	\$ _____
_____	Lemon Curd @\$40 per jar	\$ _____
_____	Orange & dark chocolate shortbread @\$30	\$ _____
_____	Cranberry & chocolate cookies @\$30	\$ _____
_____	Treacle Fruit Cake @\$70 per cake	\$ _____
_____	Treacle Fruit Cake @\$140 per cake	\$ _____
	<i>(approx. size 3" x 10" x 2")</i>	
_____	Golden Syrup Fruit Cake @\$70 per cake	\$ _____
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	<i>(approx. size 3" x 10" x 2")</i>	
_____	Banana Bread @\$70 per cake	\$ _____

Total : \$ _____

*Returning of the empty jam jar(s) to the Cathedral office is greatly appreciated.

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)

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The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre

The Revd Sharon Langbis

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Outreach — The Revd Mark Rogers

Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

Executive Administrator:

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HELP for Domestic Workers

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Prison Ministry



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notice boards and on the website:
www.stjohnscathedral.org.hk.

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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: _____

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