



# 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.'*

## 23RD MAY 2021 DAY OF PENTECOST

### **8.00am Said Eucharist**

Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon  
Reader: Will Clay

### **9.00am Sung Eucharist**

Celebrant: The Dean  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre  
Deacon: The Revd Amos Poon  
Communion Setting: Missa Princeps Pacis (William Lloyd Webber)  
Hymns: 137, 520, 138, Christians, lift up your hearts  
Anthem: If ye love me (Thomas Tallis)  
Voluntary: Fantasia super 'Komm, Heiliger Geist', BWV 651  
(Johann Sebastian Bach)  
Readers/Intercessor: Mary Szeto, Gordon Jones/Tom Bispham

### **10.30am Sung Eucharist (in Mandarin)**

Celebrant: The Dean  
Preacher: The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

### **11.45am Responsorial Eucharist**

Celebrant: The Dean  
Preacher: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre  
Reader/Intercessor: Koon-G Chiu/Saki Tsoi

### **1.30pm Sung Eucharist with Baptism(in Filipino and English)**

Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre  
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis

### **5.00pm Evening Prayer in Taizé Style**

Officiant: The Revd Mark Rogers  
Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis  
Reader: William Cheng

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## THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

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<b>MON 24th May</b>	8.00am 1.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer
<b>TUE 25th</b>	8.00am 1.00pm 7.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Bible Reading Fellowship (ZOOM)</i>
<b>WED 26th</b>	8.00am 1.00pm 2.30pm 6.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship (Chinese) (ZOOM)</i> Said Eucharist
<b>THU 27th</b>	9.00am 1.00pm 1.15pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer Said Eucharist
<b>FRI 28th</b>	8.00am 1.00pm 3.00pm	Said Eucharist One o'clock Prayer <i>Friday Fellowship Group (ZOOM)</i>
<b>SAT 29th</b>	8.30am 12.00noon 6.00pm	Said Eucharist Said Eucharist (Filipino) Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) (Anticipated Sunday Service)
<b>SUN 30th May</b> <i>Isaiah 6.1-8</i> <i>Psalm 29</i> <i>Romans 8.12-17</i> <i>John 3.1-17</i>	<b>Trinity Sunday</b> 8.00am 9.00am 10.30am 11.45am 1.30pm 5.00pm	Said Eucharist Celebrant and Preacher: The Dean Sung Eucharist Celebrant: The Revd Amos Poon Preacher: The Dean Sung Eucharist (Mandarin) Celebrant: The Revd Canon Peter Koon Preacher: The Revd Amos Poon Responsorial Eucharist with Provincial Rite Celebrant: The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis Sung Eucharist (Filipino) Celebrant and Preacher: The Revd Sharon Langbis Celtic Evening Prayer followed by Walking the Labyrinth Officiant: The Revd Will Newman Preacher: The Dean

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## COLLECT AND READINGS

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### COLLECT

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### FIRST READING

**Acts 2.1-21**

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:

'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

### SECOND READING

**Romans 8.22-27**

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience. Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

This is the word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL READING**

**John 15.26-27, 16.4b-15**

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

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus spoke to his disciples:

‘When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them. ‘I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, “Where are you going?” But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

‘I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Faithful God, who fulfilled the promises of Easter by sending us your Holy Spirit and opening to every race and nation the way of life eternal: open our lips by your Spirit, that every tongue may tell of your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK**

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

**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 Matthias, and for all bishops, priests and deacons within our diocese and province.

**We pray for Holy Spirit Church;** for The Revd Billy Ip and The Revd Canon Dr Chan Hin Cheung; for the evangelical and nurturing ministries, and particularly for the Life Education, Sunday School classes and all other nurture classes; for the healthy and holistic lives of staff, students and parents and evangelical ministries in Tsang Shiu Tim Secondary School, Lam Kau Maw Secondary School, Holy Spirit Primary School and Holy Spirit Church Kindergarten; for the outreach ministries in Cyril and Amy Cheung Aged Care Complex, St Paul’s Home for the Elderly, St Christopher’s Heart Link, and Shatin Children & Youth Integrated Service Centre.

**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 ‘Grace in a busy week’, Bible Reading Fellowship, Chinese Bible Reading Prayer Fellowship, Andrew Fellowship, Friday Fellowship Group, Filipino Fellowship, and the IFI Fellowship.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please pray for those who are sick:*

John Baumann, Sanson Lau, Richard Mills-Owens, Val Rice, Tommy Hui, Wanda Clay, John David, Catherine Chan, Priscilla Wong and her mother, Averil Ashley, Emily Moore, Rebecca Crawford, The Revd Matthew Khu Thay, Michael Chang, George Fong, Audrey Bullock, Judy Holding, Yee (Zoe) Szeto-Law, Shirley Nie, Nie Shi Fa, Doris Hernandez, Tai Yu Hei, Tai Choi Yeng, Daisy Tai, Luke Inkin, Liew Kam Lin, Toung Ming, Karen Szeto, Kathryn Lewis, Tia McPhee, Gerald Chang, Peter Lau, Meena Tsui, Lene Bille Hoegh, Kasper Buist, Tiew Siew Lee, Kit Packet, CJ Verdejo, Tsui Man Fong, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Therese Marie Gerarda Chan, Jake Pitts, Bruce McPhee, San Miguel, Jane Cooper, Donna Gail Willis, Lianne Ng, Yvonne Fong, John Charman, John Banigan, Francesca Lorenzi, Jeshu Yau, Leslie Henderson, Heather Little, Margaret Pini, Chong Yuk Lau, Richard Jones, Raymond Yuen, Christina Poon, John Butcher, Wong Lai King, Geoff Walsh, David Holme, Christina Leong, Susan Westlake, Evelena Mathias, Anthony Chan, Elaine Cogan, and Monica Cornelius.

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

*Please pray for the recently departed:*

Jean Baumann  
John Spencer  
Jumar Joe Catawe Yadyado

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**.

*REMARKS: Unless Elisa is contacted (deanssec@stjohnscathedral.org.hk) with advice to the contrary, names will be removed from the Prayer Request list after one month.*

## FLOWERS

The flowers today are in loving memory of Elizabeth Zinke, Richard D. Zinke, John B. Gallagher, Eleanor Gallagher and Lisa Zinke.



## A PRAYER FOR PENTECOST



O Holy Spirit  
in whom all are baptized,  
one giver of many gifts,  
one tree of many fruits  
one speaker of every tongue,  
renew in our day  
the wonders of Pentecost,  
grant that people of every race  
and nation  
may understand one another,  
and as one, proclaim  
the praises of God.  
Grant that all may be one as you,  
Spirit, with the Father and the Son  
are one God, one Lord.  
Grant unity to the Body of Christ;  
grant unity to the human family.  
Sole breath of every living thing,  
may all be one who, in you,  
live and move and have their being.  
Amen.

- Carl K. Moeddel

## PRAYER AND NOTICES

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### 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*



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### Poverty Alleviation Programme

**ST BARNABAS CENTRE: SUNDAY 13<sup>th</sup> June 3.00pm – 4.00pm**

Volunteers are needed to lead hymn singing and distribute meal boxes to the homeless and people on low income, mostly poor seniors.

Please contact Father Mark [markjamesrogers@gmail.com](mailto:markjamesrogers@gmail.com) . Thank you.



### PARISH DEVELOPMENT GRANT OF THE DIOCESE OF HONG KONG ISLAND, HKSKH

As an initiative introduced by Bishop Matthias Der, the Diocese of Hong Kong Island would set up a Parish Development Grant for funding the new project of ministry to be carried out by parishes and mission churches. The Grant would support the churches to be engaged in the following mission priorities of the Diocese:

- *Enabling people to discern and respond to God's calling in faith*
- *Walking with people in love and caring for people in need*
- *Inspiring hope and instilling peace*

The maximum amount of grant available for each application is HK\$200,000 for a project period of not more than 18 months. The deadline of application will be 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022.



## Diocesan Bishop's 2021 Pentecost Pastoral Letter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Blessings and peace be with you all on this Pentecost!

Fifty days after the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God did unimaginable things for his people. The Holy Spirit descended upon a group of bewildered and fearful disciples which completely changed the course of history. They were transformed from being lost and powerless to boldly proclaiming the presence and power of the risen Lord. On the first Pentecost, three thousand people joined the flock.

In recent years, we have seen dramatic changes on the global political scene, trade partnership and race relations not to mention the horrendous impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Hong Kong in particular has gone through unprecedented trials and tribulations over the last two years. Many people are concerned about their future. What is God's message for us today?

On the first Pentecost, the world then was also full of conflicts and brokenness. Yet, it was in such a time, God raised up his people to be the salt and light of the world. It is in times of darkness, the light of Christ shines the brightest. In the past few months, I have gathered the diocesan clergy and key lay leaders for prayers, listening and dialogue trying to discern God's call for us. How may we respond to the need of the people and be faithful to God at this unusual time? I invite you to join me in engaging with the following three mission priorities for our diocese.

1. *Enabling people to discern and respond to God's call in faith.* While many feel life is meaningless and purposeless, the church is called to help people to discern their call through their relationship with Christ and their God's given spiritual gifts. God has an important vocation for each of us, calling us to renew and transform our families, our church and the world around us. Are you ready?
2. *Walking with people in love and caring for people in need.* When suspicious of other people and labelling others have become the norm, when mistrust and conflicts are on the rise, we need to follow Christ's own example and not afraid to stand against the tide. The gospel calls us to walk with others, including those who hold different views from us. Each person is loved by God and is created in God's image. Only when we are willing to love and respect one another, to dialogue in sincerity and work with each other, will there be a true future for us all. Who is the Spirit calling you to walk with today?
3. *Inspiring hope and instilling peace.* The peace that Christ gives is not as the world gives. True hope and peace can only be found in Jesus Christ. When we have such precious gift in our midst, let's share them with others to witness the greatness of our Lord. How can you share the hope and peace with others today?

To facilitate the diocese and each parish/mission church to creatively and actively engage in these priorities, I am pleased that the Diocesan Standing Committee had made available a Parish Development Grant to apply to such initiatives.

I sincerely invite and call on all of us to pray earnestly for these mission priorities, to engage them in your parish and live out such spirit in our personal lives. When we are willing to try, God the Holy Spirit will empower and use us in ways beyond our imagining. In short, we shall be 'Living out God's call, walking with each other and inspiring hope and peace'. Are you willing? May God bless you all!

In Christ  
+ Matthias Der

## 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

### Executive Administrators:

Mrs Viola Ip, 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*

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First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of spouse (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Names and ages of children (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

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*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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