

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.'

24TH JANUARY 2021 The Third Sunday of Epiphany

9.00am Sung Eucharist (Broadcast)

Celebrant and Preacher:	The Revd Robert Martin
Communion Setting:	Broken for You (Margaret Rizza)
Hymns:	148 (omit *), 513, 280 (omit *), 364 (T.408)

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

23rd January Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm	Holy Eucharist (Cantonese)	https://youtu.be/qr_CvtYbVtc	
24th January Sunday Eucharist and Evening Prayer			
9.00am	Sung Eucharist (English)	https://youtu.be/xSzxeIGyC5Q	
10.30am	Holy Eucharist (Mandarin)	https://youtu.be/LQCul8MAeow	
10.30am	Holy Eucharist (Filipino)	https://youtu.be/LCL-zbDtdMQ	
5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Taizé style	https://youtu.be/AyPKMwB2p5Y	

25th January Monday The Conversion of Paul

7.30pm Sung Eucharist (English) *https://youtu.be/rmcwRRba5WA*





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COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son revealed in signs and miracles the wonder of your saving presence: renew your people with your heavenly grace, and in all our weakness sustain us by your mighty power; 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 19.6-10

A reading from the book of Revelation.

I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the sound of many waters and like the sound of mighty thunder-peals, crying out, 'Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready; to her it has been granted to be clothed with fine linen, bright and pure'— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints.

And the angel said to me, 'Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.' And he said to me, 'These are true words of God.' Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow-servant with you and your comrades who hold the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'

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

GOSPEL READING John 2.1-11

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

All Glory to you, O Lord.

There was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now. Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

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

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Almighty Father, whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ is the light of the world: may your people, illumined by your word and sacraments, shine with the radiance of his glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

In the worldwide Anglican

Communion we pray for The Church of Bangladesh; for the Moderator of the church, The Rt Revd Samuel Sunil Mankhin.

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 Paul's Church,

The Revd Canon Dr Thomas Pang, The Revd Dr Ng Yu Lam, The Revd Jason Leung and all staff members; may God give them strength and guidance; for the preparation of the 110th anniversary of the Church; for the ministries of faith nurture and fellowships; may all these events be instruments of God's grace; for the ministries in St Paul's Coeducational College and Primary School, SKH Kei Yan Primary School and St Paul's Church Kindergarten.

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 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.

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

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

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

Please pray for the recently departed: Ho Sau To Siti Alifah

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**.



Holy and Gracious God, you are the Lord of history. I thank you for your faithfulness and abiding presence, always overflowing me with your blessing and love. Your glory and grace are beyond what I can ask or imagine. Praise be to you, O Lord.

O Lord,

When I am frightened, help me stay close to you for your faithfulness. When I am angry, teach me to learn from your gentleness. When I am worried, show me your power and provision. When I am lost, let me see your light and guidance. When I am troubled, give me the courage and faith from above to leap forward. As your disciple, nurture me to be your good and faithful servant. With the power of the Holy Spirit, may I always be thankful; study your word diligently; pray unceasingly; serve others with humility, love, peace and respect; and love you my God with all my heart and spirit.

Empower me to be of a good witness for God's kingdom in the world, extending your love and hope through faith, particularly in this time of the COVID-19 pandemic. Bless Hong Kong and our people that in times of trials and troubles, we may hold onto your word and overcome every challenge together with love and mutual trust.

I PRAY IN THE NAME OF GOD, THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT.



BISHOP MATTHIAS DER

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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 words. 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



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— add the Cathedral mobile number **9506 2311** to the contact list of your mobile phone

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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.

HOURLY SUNDAY PRAYERS

In compliance to the government's guidelines for the control of the COVID-19 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 to these prayers using your headsets.

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.

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