

## 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.'

## 27TH FEBRUARY 2022 The Sunday Next before Lent

#### 9.00am Sung Eucharist

Celebrant:	The Revd Canon Dwight dela Torre
Preacher:	The Dean
<b>Communion Setting:</b>	Broken for You (Margaret Rizza)
Hymns:	494 (T. 413), 178, 400, 389

## 26th February Saturday Eucharist (Anticipated service)

6.00pm Holy Eucharist (Cantonese) https://youtu.be/2RK3ScYov9M

#### 27th February Sunday Eucharist and Evening Prayer

9.00am	Sung Eucharist (English) https://youtu.be/asziQ29Ns-M
10.30am	Holy Eucharist (Mandarin) https://youtu.be/GiSDiPcpKMs
10.30am	Holy Eucharist (Filipino) https://youtu.be/y65Rgz061Ac
5.00pm	Evening Prayer in Taizé style https://youtu.be/sQWomTG66dU
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#### 2nd March Wednesday Ash Wednesday

- 12.00noon Sung Eucharist (Cantonese) https://youtu.be/zE9W9VNo-as
- 7.30pm Sung Eucharist (English) https://youtu.be/9HURk09Av-Q

### COLLECT

Almighty Father, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross: give us grace to perceive his glory, that we may be strengthened to suffer with him and be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

#### FIRST READING Exodus 34.29-end

#### A reading from the book of Exodus.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

This is the word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

#### SECOND READING 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2

A reading from the second letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

Since we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

This is the word of the Lord.AllThanks be to God.

#### GOSPEL READING Luke 9.28-43a

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.All Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'-not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, 'Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It throws him into convulsions until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not.' Jesus answered, 'You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here.' While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God. Everyone was amazed at all that he was doing.

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

#### **POST COMMUNION PRAYER**

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ: may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed, that all the world may know his power to change and save. This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

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

#### 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 the vision and mission of Holy Carpenter Church;

pray for Revd Simon Cheung and their missionary team. O Lord, give them a unity and sincere heart, add abundant spiritual power, grant that every brother and sister can serve each other in the Lord's love, complement each other and promote harmony. Unite school and social service resources, "Be salt and light" in the pastoral area, let the church grow, glorify God and benefit others; pray for the spiritual life of the faithful, asking the Lord to protect the ministries and every fellowship, so that everyone can grow in love and live a life of faith; pray for the secondary schools, four primary schools, the community center and the elderly center in the parish.

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

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:

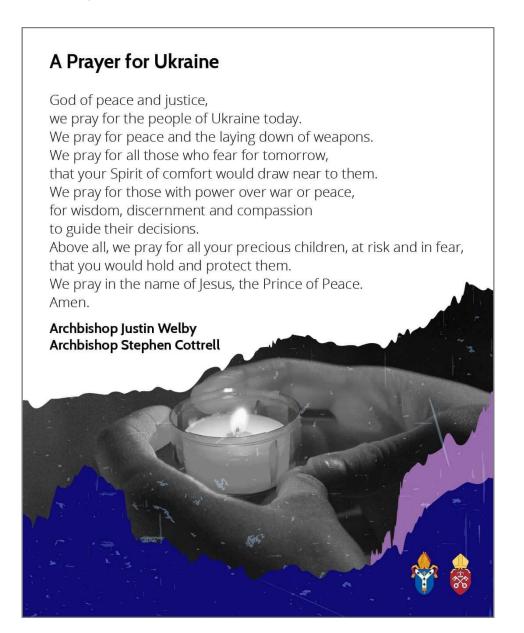
Grace Yuen, Wong Dor Chun, Yvonne Fong, May Wong, Pekkle Cheng, Kevin Marc Lee, Bishop Thomas Soo, Edwin Yeo Thiam Lock, Dennis Chan, Brigitta Wheele, Daniel Colson, Laurie Rooke, Christina Leong, Helen Chan Sui Lung, Marin Leong Kum Chee, Peggy Yu, Tsui Man Fong, Yee (Zoe) Szeto-Law, Tiew Siew Lee, Wong Lai King, Jane Pang Tong, Leung Sze Man, 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, Catherine Chan, Evelena Mathias, Rebecca Crawford, Michael Chang, George Fong, Val Rice, 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, Chan Mun, Chin Yi Kum, Leung Lai Ming, Katherine Wan and Winston Lim.

*In memoriam:* Reynaldo Bagoba Lim

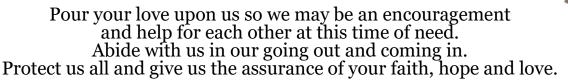
Please remember those named above in your private prayers. To include someone in this prayer list, please contact Elisa, **Tel.: 2523 4157**.



## A prayer in time of virus outbreak

God of hope and healing, at this time of a virus outbreak give courage and healing to the sick, patience to the suffering and comfort to the anxious.

Grant those in authority and the medical personnel wisdom and sensitivity to manage the situation.



We offer our prayer to Jesus Christ in whose name wholeness, salvation and peace come. Amen.

## 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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 until further notice.

## **'FAITH BEGINS'** The Christian Faith explored, discussed and enjoyed! Wednesday evenings from 30<sup>th</sup> March to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2022

'Faith Begins' is a course for adult baptism and confirmation at St John's Cathedral. The course is for people who have been worshipping for at least three months in the cathedral parish.

The course is by Zoom, and explores the Christian faith in a relaxed atmosphere with a talk and informal discussion. 'Faith Begins' is rooted in the Anglican tradition which values the bible, tradition, and reason, and interprets them in the light of a modern understanding about life and the world we live in.

*How do I enrol?* Just send your contact details to the Revd Amos Poon at *amospoon@stjohnscathedral.org.hk* 

**Registration deadline: 27th March 2022** 





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

## CHECKING OF VACCINE PASS AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

As defined in the Prevention and Control of Disease (Requirements and Directions) (Business and Premises) Regulation (Cap. 599F), St John's Cathedral is a premises subject to active checking of vaccine pass. From 24<sup>th</sup> February 2022 onwards, every person who enters or remains on our premises is required under the law to have been vaccinated in the manner specified in the Direction, unless he/ she is an exempted person. Please see the Government notice below for more information.



## Vaccine Pass Applicable Premises

This is a premises subject to active checking of vaccine pass under the Vaccine Pass Direction issued by the Secretary for Food and Health pursuant to the Prevention and Control of Disease (Vaccine Pass) Regulation (Cap.599. sub. Leg.L). Every person who enters or remains on this premises is required under the law to have been vaccinated in the manner specified in the Direction, unless he/she is an exempted person. For details, please visit the COVID-19 Thematic Website.

The person-in-charge of this premises is required under the law to -

- Ensure that every person who enters or remains on this premises ("The
- person") to have been vaccinated in the manner specified in the Direction, unless he/she is an exempted person;
- Collect the name and telephone number, as well as the date and time of visit of children aged below 12 not accompanied by an adult;
- Require the person whose vaccination record or COVID-19 Vaccination Medical Exemption Certificate is not presented in the form or does not contain a QR code ("The relevant QR code") to make a written declaration;
- Scan the relevant QR code by using the "QR Code Verification Scanner" mobile application and keep the log record for 31 days; and

Note: Information from the relevant QR Code including name and ID card number (which are partially marked and hashed); the vaccination dates (or expiry date of a medical exemption certificate); and the scanning date and time, will be encrypted and stored in the mobile application. It is not possible to use the information to identify any of the individuals concerned. The staff of the premises will not have access to the information.

• On request of an authorized officer (including a health officer or a police officer) and for identifying and tracing of any person who may have been exposed to the risk of contracting COVID-19, provide the said log record to the Department of Health.

## LENT COURSES 2022



This Lent, the Province of HKSKH encourages all parishes and missionary churches to study together the book **'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.

You can join one of the courses with the Cathedral clergy, in different languages. Let us journey spiritually together in this Lent. (Course material will be available at the Cathedral Bookstore.)

**COURSES ON ZOOM** \*Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022.

Tuesdays (Starting on 8th March)8.00pm (English)Zoom Link:https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81403228525?pwd=OWp4cCtwVzZwRkhDazdDeVg1aUsxQT09

*Wednesdays* (*Starting on 2<sup>nd</sup> March*) **2.30pm (Cantonese)** Please contact the Revd Amos Poon at amospoon@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

Fridays (Starting on 4th March)**3.00pm (English)**Please contact the Revd Amos Poon at amospoon@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

Sundays (Starting on 13th March)**3.00pm (Filipino)**Please contact the Revd Sharon Langbis at sharonlangbis@stjohnscathedral.org.hk

## THE WAY OF LOVE: TURN

Follow Jesus' Way of Love by turning towards God: pause, listen, and choose to follow Jesus in our daily life.

## 「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。



## 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.



#### 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)

Youth Ministry – The Revd Amos Poon

## Honorary Chaplain:

The Revd Dr Philip Wickeri

## **Executive Administrator:**

Mr Thomas Li

## Serving the wider community:

SJC Counselling Service 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.

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