

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

### We pray for our loved ones who are ill:

Stella Carter, Leung Sau Chun, May Ho, Helen Leung, Michelle Tang, Myra Heslop, Lee Pui Man, Verna Fajilan-Brazil, Zara Heslop, Heo Soon Oh, Bimali Devi Aggarwal, Leo Wong, Leung Ping Chee, Lam Lai Kwan, Sophie Wong, Sister Jean Mary, Serena Cheng, Bonnie Cheung, Randy Stevens, Wen Cai He, Amanda Sze, Priscilla Wong, Wong Yuen Poh, Robert Macgregor, Sandra Poon, Seiko Sum, Jennifer Chan, Catherine Lai, Jess Ng, Marion Lau, Margaret Goodwin, Ho Sau Ying.

### We pray for the souls of the departed:

We remember all who have died recently:

Lai Sheung Kwong

and all those whose anniversaries fall this week:

✠**May they rest in peace and rise in glory**✠

If you would like us to include anyone by name in our Sunday prayer list, please give the name to Father Robert before Friday afternoon.

## Faith Begins

*The Christian Faith explored, discussed and enjoyed!*

on Wednesday evenings starting at 7.00pm followed by a talk and discussion.

'Faith Begins' is a course for adults who have been regularly attending services in St John's Cathedral or the daughter churches for at least 6 months, and who want to belong to the Anglican Church and become part of the regular worshipping community.

'Faith Begins' includes talks and discussion about many different aspects of Christian belief and living as a Christian. It leads to baptism and confirmation at St John's Cathedral, when you commit yourself to following Jesus Christ.

The next 'Faith Begins' will start on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024, continues every Wednesday up to 29<sup>th</sup> May. The Baptism and Confirmation Service will be held in the Cathedral on **26<sup>th</sup> May at 5.00pm.**

### How do I enrol?

Just send your contact details to Fr Mark at

[rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk](mailto:rogers@stjohnscathedral.org.hk)

**Registration deadline: 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

Course Fee: HKD1000



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## SUNDAY SCHOOL

will meet in the classroom next door.

The children will leave after the opening collect and return after the Lord's Prayer

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**  
Today at St John's Cathedral



**5.00pm**

**A Eucharist for Healing**

with the

Laying on of Hands and Anointing

Celebrant: The Dean

Preacher: Fr Robert Martin

## LENT RETREAT

for St John's Cathedral  
& the Daughter Churches



**A Time of Hope & Renewal**

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**9.30am-3.30pm**

**St Stephen's Chapel, Stanley**

**Lunch provided!**

Please sign up on the list  
at the back of church today

## THE ROTA NEEDS YOU!

Welcoming, Reading, Intercessions  
and Refreshments!

Please sign up

# EMMANUEL CHURCH

Pokfulam, Hong Kong

*A daughter church of St John's Cathedral in the  
Anglican/Episcopal Diocese of Hong Kong Island*

[www.emmanuel.org.hk](http://www.emmanuel.org.hk)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

*'Christian Unity Sunday'*

**21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**



*'The Marriage at Cana'*

**10.30am Sung Eucharist**  
with Sunday School

## Today's Hymns

**Introit: 104**

*Songs of thankfulness and praise (St Edmund)*

**Gradual: 679**

*In Christ there is no east or west (Kilmarnock)*

**Offertory: 460**

*O thou, who at thy Eucharist didst pray (Song 1)*

**Post-Communion: 714**

*Lord of all power, I give you my will (Slane 713)*

**Recessional: 818**

*To God be the glory (To God be the glory)*

Please take this pew sheet home with  
you for your prayers this week.



YEAR B

## Third Sunday after the Epiphany

### 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

*Genesis 14:17-20 NRSV*

*A reading from the book of Genesis.*

#### **Abram Blessed by Melchizedek**

After his return from the defeat of Chedorlaomer and the kings who were with him, the king of Sodom went out to meet him at the Valley of Shaveh (that is, the King's Valley). And King Melchizedek of Salem brought out bread and wine; he was priest of God Most High. He blessed him and said, 'Blessed be Abram by God Most High, maker of heaven and earth; and blessed be God Most High, who has delivered your enemies into your hand!' And Abram gave him one-tenth of everything.

*Reader: This is the word of the Lord.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### PSALMODY

*Psalm 128 CW*

**Please join in the verses in heavy type.**

1 Blessed are all those who fear the Lord, ♦  
and walk in his ways.

2 **You shall eat the fruit of the toil of your hands; ♦ it shall go well with you, and happy shall you be.**

3 Your wife within your house  
shall be like a fruitful vine; ♦  
your children round your table,  
like fresh olive branches.

4 **Thus shall the one be blest ♦  
who fears the Lord.**

5 The Lord from out of Zion bless you, ♦  
that you may see Jerusalem in prosperity  
all the days of your life.

6 **May you see your children's children, ♦  
and may there be peace upon Israel.**

### SECOND READING

*Revelation 19:6-10 NRSV*

*A reading from the book of Revelation.*

#### **Rejoicing in Heaven**

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.'

*Reader: This is the word of the Lord.*

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL READING

*John 2:1-11 NRSV*

*Priest: Alleluia, alleluia.  
Christ was revealed in flesh, proclaimed among  
the nations and believed in throughout the  
world.*

**All Alleluia.**

*Priest: The Lord be with you*

**All: And also with you.**

*Priest: Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John.*

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

#### **The Wedding at Cana**

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.

*Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.*

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

### POST-COMMUNION

Almighty Father,  
whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
is the light of the world:  
may your people,  
illuminated 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.**