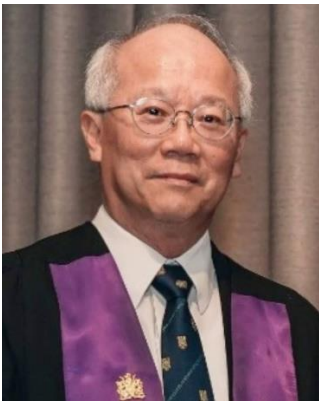


NEWS AND VIEWS

College Chaplaincy Team

September 8th 2022

Greetings to all St Johnians from the Chaplain's Office: "May the Spirit and Wisdom of Aquila be with you all. "



I am Dr Eric Chong, an Anglican priest of the College Interfaith Chaplaincy Team.

St John's College Chaplaincy is an Interfaith Chaplaincy and so is the College Chapel. Taoist-Buddhist, Christian, Muslim, Hindu and Jewish students are welcome to use it for prayers and fellowship meetings.

Activities

During the last 3 years of social difficulties and Covid pandemic the chaplaincy and students held several joint activities:

a. Taoist-Buddhists, Christian and Muslim students distributing Love and Hope Lucky *Laisee* packages to undergraduates and postgraduates



Sending out messages of love and hope



Distributing love and hope laisee packages

b. A morning of praise and prayer for peace and reconciliation was organized in a joint programme with brothers and sisters from Union Church during Hong Kong's self-searching difficulties



With brothers and sisters of Union Church, Kowloon

c. An Easter Pancake Breakfast and Gathering for reconciliation, unity and peace was organized.



prepared by College kitchen



Undergrads and postgrad Easter breakfast

d.. After months of lockdowns, ZOOM classes and exams, a day of boat-trip to the Geopark, the Salt pans, and Squid-fishing was organized to get students out into the fresh open space of Saikung Park.



On the Squid-boat going to the bay at the foot of HKUST

Upcoming Activities

Johanine Pilgrims

ZOOM Christian Bible-study on
MIRACLES of Jesus Christ in the Gospels
with particular reference to Gospel of St John's

12 Sessions of 1 and a half hour. At **8.00pm on Every 3rd Friday of the month.**

First session is on September 16th 2022 at 8.00pm

Zoom Meeting link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8536318325?pwd=SnZabThUSk8yRTIORTYwOWgxNDZhQT09>

Meeting ID: 853 631 8325

Interfaith Prayer and Sharing Group

We **invite students of all faiths** to join us in an evening of sharing of aspirations and prayers for the start of their academic life in HKU and community life in St John's College.

Date: 20th September 2022

Time: 8.30pm

Venue: St John's College Chapel, 4F Liang Chi Hao Building (opposite New Wing)

Coordinators: Dr Eric Chong & Chaplaincy Team

SJC Socratic Club

SJC Socratic Club has its humble beginning in 1978 when a group of St Johnians began to discuss the meaning and teleology of existence. The Club was formally reconvened in 2010. The first cycle focused on History of Philosophy and the influence of Plato and Aristotle in Western Civilization. Political Philosophy East and West was the theme of the second cycle.

We begin the third SJC Socratic Club Cycle 2022-2026 on **Sept 30th 2022 at 9pm in St John's College Senior Common Room.** We meet on the last Friday of every month at 9pm.

Focus is on the Philosophy of Science East and West. The plan for this 2022-2026 Cycle will be based on:

History of Philosophy Chinese and Western

1. Garbini's World Philosophy
2. Herman's Cave and the Light, with cross referencing of Fung Yu Lan's History of Chinese Philosophy

"Applied" Philosophy

1. History of the Philosophy Science and the implications of new physics for philosophy of Body and mind, and human consciousness.