## <u>Persons in custody participate in</u> <u>Christmas activities</u>

The Correctional Services Department (CSD) has arranged for persons in custody (PICs) to attend activities during the Christmas festive period.

The Catholic Auxiliary Bishop of Hong Kong, the Reverend Joseph Ha, accompanied by the Deputy Commissioner of Correctional Services, Mr Wong Kwok-hing; the Correctional Services Chaplain, Deacon Edwin Ng; and the Senior Superintendent (Stanley Prison), Mr Wong Chun-fai, visited Stanley Prison and presided at a Christmas Mass today (December 25) to share his faith and blessings with participating persons in custody.

Reverend Ha also toured the prison hospital to convey his sympathy and support to the patients.

Furthermore, The Archbishop of Hong Kong, the Most Reverend Dr Paul Kwong, also visited Stanley Prison and presided at a Christmas service on December 18 to preach and share his faith with persons in custody.

Reverend Kwong also toured the prison, accompanied by Mr Wong, to learn more about the latest developments in correctional services and rehabilitation work.

Through the Correctional Services Chaplain, voluntary chaplains and visitors from religious organisations, a wide range of spiritual and social services are offered to all persons in custody who wish to participate regardless of their religious affiliation. The services include visits, teaching, counselling, religious worship and recreational activities.