

## PARISH Holy Hour

Friday, 4 August \* 8pm

\* Main Church

6.15pm evening Mass as usual.



## Invite A friend to the Catholic Faith

### RCIA @ Holy Cross

English: Thursday 27 July @ 7.45pm, St Michael Room  
Mandarin: Tuesday 25 July @ 7.45pm, Room #03-10



**Come and see!**

You may register on the spot!

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**RCIA**



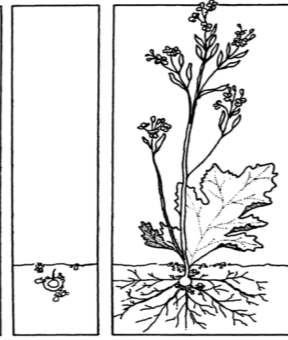
## Infant Baptism

Next Baptism will be on  
**Sun 3 September 2017**

**Preparatory Session:**  
**27 August 2017**  
**at 12.45pm @ St Michael Room**

\*Compulsory for parents & godparents\*  
\*Please be on time\*

The  
reign of  
God  
is like a  
mustard  
seed.



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## Church of the Holy Cross

450 Clementi Ave One Singapore 129955 [www.holycross.org.sg](http://www.holycross.org.sg)

OUR MISSION: We strive to deepen our faith by knowing the Word of God, living it in love and service, thereby being witnesses of Christ.

**23 July 2017**

**Sixteenth  
Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading**

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

**Second Reading**

Romans 8:26-27

**Gospel**

Matthew 13:24-33

### Reflection



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### THE MERCY, POWER, AND LOVE OF GOD

The first reading today, from the book of Wisdom, makes its point over and over, at least five times in five verses! God is mighty, but lenient to all. God's power is shown in kindness and clemency, not in harshness and condemnation, and those who govern God's people must govern in the same way, with kindness. This loving kindness and gentleness is not contrary to God's might, but is a direct result of God's primacy over all. Who are we, then, to judge what is in the hearts of our fellow Christians and all people, when God commands justice with love and clemency?

Likewise, the Holy Spirit makes up for our ignorance of what we need, speaking in a language we do not yet understand. But God knows our needs before we do, understands the intercessions of the Spirit, and helps us in our weakness. This is our hope: God's mercy, power, and love.

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### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekdays:

Lauds - 6.15am, Mass - 6.30am  
Vespers - 6pm, Mass - 6.15pm

#### Saturday:

Lauds - 6.15am, Mass - 6.30am  
Novena - 4.15pm  
Sunset Mass - 5pm  
Mandarin - 6.30pm

#### Sunday:

7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am & 5pm  
Tagalog (Every 2nd Sun) - 2.30pm

#### Public Holiday:

Morning Mass @ 8am  
No Lauds before Mass

#### P.A.R.I.S.H Holy Hour:

Every 1st Friday at 8pm

#### Prayer Room Opening Hours:

Everyday - 7am to 10pm

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

15 minutes before evening Masses  
on Saturday and all masses on  
Sunday.

#### Infant Baptism:

##### 1st Sunday of:

Jan, Mar, May, July, Sep & Nov.

#### Funeral Arrangements:

Please check with the Parish Office  
for the availability of the Priest  
and Church before confirming the  
timing for cremation or burial.

**Wedding:** Please contact the  
Secretariat, at least six months  
before for availability of dates.

#### Parish Counseling Service

This is available every Wednesday  
evening. Please email to:  
[counselling@holycross.org.sg](mailto:counselling@holycross.org.sg)  
for an appointment.

### 2nd Collection

**1st week** of the month - for the  
Apostolate of St Vincent de Paul.

**3rd week** of the month - for GIFT  
Program of Catholic Foundation.



### **Illegal Parking**

**LTA** warns:

### **Do Not**

park your car at zig-zag lines  
along Clementi Ave 1.

**Fine and demerit points  
will be issued.**

Please co-operate.

### **Cenacle Sisters**



Organizing Gala Dinner on 26 August to  
raise funds for improving the facility  
of their residence.

**Fundraising Booth** will be set up in  
our parish on 22/23 July to promote  
Gala Dinner and sales of religious articles,  
books and homemade delicacies.

Please give your support generously.

## **Faith. Hope. Love**

### **A Canossian Art Unites Exhibition.**

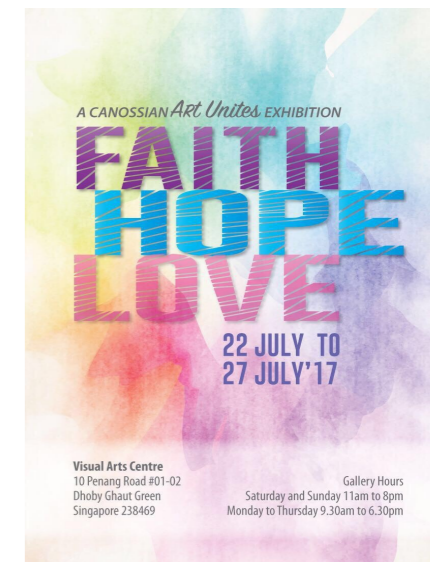
The Canossian Schools and Sisters are holding  
an Art Exhibition. The interreligious communities  
in Singapore will also be participating.

This exhibition aims to bring a deeper understanding of  
love, celebration and acceptance of the different races  
And religions beyond mere tolerance in Singapore  
through different Art forms.

**22 to 27 July 2017**

Visual Arts Centre at Dhoby Ghaut Green  
Sat and Sun 11am to 8pm and Mon to Thurs 9.30am to 6.30pm.

**Admission is free. All are welcomed.**



## **PIETA SINGAPORE**



A support group for bereaved parents united  
in faith, wisdom and hope.

They meet monthly to pray, reflect and  
break open the WORD OF GOD.

Any parent who has lost a child is invited to join them.  
Every 4th Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm to 9:00pm  
at Agape Village, Toa Payoh Lorong 8.

**Next session is on Tuesday, 25 July 2017**

contact: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com)

<https://m.facebook.com/PietaSingapore>

## **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Present a bouquet of flowers to Our Lady on the **Feast of the Assumption.**

*\* Flower bouquets come in \$10, \$30 and \$50 \**

### **Mass Timing**

**Mon, 14 Aug : 6.15pm; 8pm (Mandarin)**

**Tues, 15 Aug : 6.15am, 6.15pm and 8pm**



## **Charismatic Prayer Group**

**Come PRAISE and THANK the LORD with us  
on Tuesdays 7.45pm @ St. Michael Room at Level 1**

### **Topics for Talks in July & August 2017**

25 July: I am a child of God

1 Aug: CPG 37th Anniversary Celebrations & Fellowship

8 Aug: Wheat and Weed

22 Aug: When the Lord calls... (by Fr Anthony Vinay)

29 Aug: About St John the Baptist



**\* All are welcome \***

## **Entering university this year?**

The Office for Young People invites you  
to join in the University catholic FOCs  
or to get in touch with the university  
communities, to Kickstart your University  
Life with a solid foundation.

We pray for a full and purposeful  
University Life for you!

**NTU 24-27 Jul**

**SIM 4 - 6 Aug**

**SMU 25-27 Aug**

Calling also JCU, SIT, SUTD  
and Yale-NUS students!

To register: [www.oyp.org.sg/UniFOC](http://www.oyp.org.sg/UniFOC)

## **Talks in July 2017**

**By The Apostolate for  
Catholic Truth (ACT)**

At St Joseph's Church Conference Room,  
Victoria Street, at 7.45pm - 9.30pm.

**Topic: Answering Muslim  
Questions about Christianity  
on 28 July by Estella Young.**

Register:

<http://tinyurl.com/ACT-Talk-Signup>

or: SMS: 96493893 (Andrew)