

HOW CAN I DISPOSE OFF MY OLD PALMS?

Bring them to church next Sunday when you come for Mass.
These will be burnt and the ashes will be used on Ash Wednesday.



VOLUNTEERS FOR CHURCH SERVICES

As the new year begins, you may be considering how you can be of service to the parish. Please fill up the Service Form and drop into the boxes provided or return it to the secretariat.



VOLUNTEERS FOR 40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE BOOK

The Church of the Holy Cross will be celebrating the 40th anniversary of its founding in 2019. We are forming a committee of volunteers to produce a commemorative book which record the historical persons and events of the church with letters and photos. Please register your interest using the form provided outside the church and beside the secretariat office, and we will call for a meeting to share our ideas and discuss our roles and functions.

★ **Researcher**

★ **Writer & Editor**



★ **Interviewer**

★ **Art & Design**

★ **Publisher**

★ **Photographer**

MASS FOR THE SICK

Sunday, 11th February 2018, 5pm
Church of the Holy Cross

For anointing request (seriously ill or old age), please come at least **30mins before Mass** for registration at the church entrance.

Registration is also open for those who would like commissioned lay ministers to visit them in the reception of holy communion at home.

PROJECT G.O.D. 2017

Collection for CLARITY from our annual fund raising initiative by Sec 3 Youth Confirmants is:

\$41,357.00

We would like to thank everyone for your generosity.



Church of the Holy Cross

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OUR VISION: To be a communion of communities with intentional disciples centred on Jesus Christ, commissioned to evangelize and to serve.

20/21 January 2018

**Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

First Reading

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 7:29-31

Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

Reflection



THE DEMANDS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Today we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out "Repent!" before he calls his new followers. "Come after me," Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. Today's Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays:

Lauds - 6.15am, Mass - 6.30am
Vespers - 6pm, Mass - 6.15pm
Lunchtime Mass - 12.15pm

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:

@12.45pm 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.

Para Counselling Services:

Call 63820688 from Monday-Friday between 10am - 5pm to make 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.

LENTEN PILGRIMAGE

A Spiritual journey to 7 churches Prayer and reflection on 14 Stations of the Cross

10TH MARCH, 2018 SATURDAY 8.00 AM TO 3.30 PM

Registration Fee: \$20 (Adult) / \$15 (children age below 12)

(Includes Transport, Lunch & Refreshments)

Contact: Secretariat 6777 5858

Please visit ticket booth outside the church after Mass.

Spiritual Director: Fr. Anthony Vinay

Pilgrimage to 7 Churches:

Church of the Holy Cross / Church of the Transfiguration / Divine Mercy Church /
Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Succor / Cathedral of the Good Shepherd /
Sts. Peter and Paul Church / St. Joseph's Church, Bukit Timah.



EVENT: ONE DAY Organized by New Evangelisation (ONE)

On Saturday, 10 Feb 2018 at 1.30pm-4pm

at Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre, 2 Highland Road S549102.

The Office for the New Evangelisation (ONE) is seeking for Collaborators who are fired up to build the Kingdom of God. Collaborators will use their unique gifts to share in the work of ONE.

ONE Day serves to introduce the work of ONE to potential Collaborators and to explore opportunities on how YOU can contribute to the work of the New Evangelisation.

To register and attend ONE Day,
visit: www.one.org.sg/events



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MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (ME) WEEKEND

Marriage Encounter facilitates life-changing weekends for married couples.

By transforming the way husband and wife communicate,
it forges greater intimacy and a closer relationship.

Next ME Weekend from Feb 2-4.

E-mail mewkend@gmail.com or visit wwmesg.org



GIFT PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

This weekend, there is a second collection for the Catholic Foundation's GIFT (Giving in Faith & Thankfulness) campaign. Collections this month will specially benefit the St Francis Xavier Seminary (SFX) building project. This building is expected to complete in the second half of 2018 at a projected cost of \$19m. Flyers on the SFX Seminary will also be distributed after mass. For future contributions to the SFX Seminary building, please refer to the flyers or visit gift.catholicfoundation.sg.



1009N THAILAND PILGRIMAGE TOUR

20 Jun - 1 Jul 2018

Spiritual Director:

**Fr John Bosco Pricha
(Carmelite Priest)**

Those interested, please contact
Janice: 6582 8878 / 98584998
or email: jspiritual@gmail.com

PARISH Holy Hour

First Friday of the month



**2 February 2018
8pm**

@ Main Church

Come, let us adore the Lord
as a parish community.

DISPENSATION FROM ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT

On Friday, 16 February 2018

At the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei in January 2017, it was decided that dispensation be given to all Catholics from abstinence from meat on Friday, 16 February 2018 in view of the festive season of Chinese New Year. Fast and Abstinence on Ash Wednesday will remain as usual.

Annual Assisi Fun Day (AFD)

On Sunday, 24 June 2018 from 10 am to 4.30 pm

@ SJI International School grounds at 490 Thomson Rd

Please help us to continue the mission of caring for the sick, dying and the poor in our community. We look forward to receiving your kind approval by returning this form before 19 Jan 2018. For any enquiry, contact Lisa at 6832 2856.

K1-P6 CATECHISM CLASSES

begin on Sunday, 4 Feb 2018

**Parents' Briefing for K1, K2, P1, P2, P3 & RCIC (special class) will be held on
Sunday, 28 Jan 2018 @9am in Auditorium. Registration @ 8:30 am.**

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 January 2018

23 Jan: True-Living - Sharing Jesus' Joy
30 Jan: Fellowship & Thanksgiving
6 Feb: True-Living - Disciples' Rules of Life
27 Feb: Intercessory Prayers / healing and fellowship

*** All are welcome ***

