



PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

Speaker: Fr Selva Rathinam (Bible expert)

Venue: Church Auditorium, 4th Level.

Friday 2 Mar 8.30pm - Orientation Talk after 8pm Mass

Saturday 3 Mar 9.00am - 3.30pm

Sunday 4 Mar 2.30pm - 9pm (including Mass)

Three pillars of Christian Life are Mystery, Communion and Mission. Fr Selva will lead us to reflect upon our union with God, our communion with the church, and our mission to the world.

Registration:

SMS/WhatsApp: Mobile 83223655

Email: liz@oliveiros.com

You may also scan this with your smartphone to register.



All are welcome!

WEST DISTRICT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

All services begin at 8pm



Mon	19 Mar	Church of St Ignatius
Tues	20 Mar	Church of St Mary of the Angels
Wed	21 Mar	Church of the Holy Cross
Thurs	22 Mar	Church of St Francis Assisi
Fri	23 Mar	Blessed Sacrament Church

Come, be reconciled with the Lord!

FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND MASS

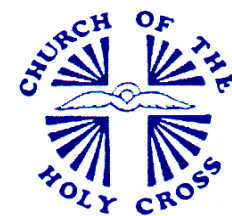


For Fridays on 2 Mar, 9 Mar, 16 Mar and 23 Mar:

* Stations at 7.30pm

* Mass at 8pm

There will be NO 6.15pm Mass.



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.

24/25 February 2018

First Reading

Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Second Reading

Romans 8:31b-34

Gospel

Mark 9:2-10

Reflection

THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS



God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

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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 Founda-

BOYS' TOWN FLAG DAY 2018

Volunteers/staff/beneficiaries from Boys' Town will be in the parish during the weekend of 10/11 March to raise funds for the programmes, services and maintenance of Boys' Town's facilities.

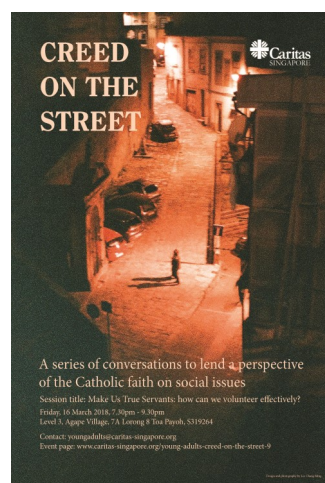


Help us make a difference in the lives of the children and youth under our care.
Thank you for your generosity and support.
For more information, please call 66905420 or email info@boystown.org.sg

YOUNG ADULTS NIGHT OF DISCUSSION

CREED ON THE STREET (COTS 9)

The purpose of the Creed On The Street (COTS) session is to invite young adults to join in a conversation with each other, to lend perspective of their faith on social issues.



Topic:

**"Make Us True Servants:
how can we volunteer effectively?"**

Friday, 16 March 2018
7:30pm to 9:30pm
Agape Village, @ level 3,
7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh, Singapore 319264.

Registration, please refer to the Caritas Singapore website: www.caritas-singapore.org or email to youngadults@caritas-singapore.org

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 February 2018



- 27 Feb: Intercessory Prayers / healing and fellowship
- 6 Mar: Choosing: "I am the way". The world or God. – Brother Nicholas Lye
- 13 Mar: Choosing: "I am the truth" The reality of our body and our soul- Fr. A Vinay
- 20 Mar: Choosing: "I am the Life" Understanding death and LIFE.
- 27 Mar: No Meeting – HOLY WEEK

*** All are welcome ***

CHARITIES WEEK 2018

The season of Lent is the time when the Church conducts its annual fundraising for Social Services – Charities Week 2018.

Your donation will provide support to the charitable work of Agape Village, a project of Caritas Singapore and the many Catholic charity organisations under its umbrella. Collectively, we serve over 50,000 beneficiaries in need such as the poor, families, youth and children, prisoners, migrant workers, and persons living with HIV / AIDS.

Please pick up an appeal envelope and give generously. Send your cheque directly to the address provided or drop your donation envelope in the boxes provided.



**All Donations are eligible for
250% Tax Exemption**

PRE-INQUIRY PROGRAM

Do you have a friend who wants to know more about the catholic faith but the next RCIA is not ready? Please invite the person to our pre-inquiry program. It is an informal gathering once a month to share freely about questions of life and faith. And for Catholics who are keen to participate as facilitators, do give your name and contact no to Bro Nicholas Lye or the secretariat.

YOUTH PARTICIPATED MASS

Saturday, 3 March @5pm

During this mass, the Sec 3 confirmation teens, their parents and godparents will participate in the Entrance Ritual for this special year of formation leading to the Sacrament of Confirmation on 25 October 2018.



LOST AND FOUND

Some personal items, such as watches, wallets, pouch and etc., have been found and remained uncollected for some time. Please claim your lost items from the Secretariat as soon as possible.

