ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

Church of the Holy Cross Wednesday 19 December @ 8pm

6.15pm Evening Mass as usual

Services at WEST DISTRICT Churches

Fri 14 Dec @ 8pm Blessed Sacrament Church

Tue 18 Dec @ 8pm St Ignatius Church

Thur 20 Dec @ 8pm Church of St Mary of the Angels

Fri 21 Dec @ 8pm Church of St Francis of Assisi





MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve - Monday, 24 Dec



6.30pm: Christmas Pageant & Family Mass

9.00pm: Caroling & Mass (Mandarin) 11.30pm: Caroling & Midnight Mass

Christmas Day - Tuesday, 25 Dec

* 7.30am * 9.15am * 11am * **NO 6.15pm Mass ***

EDIFY & CARITAS CHRISTI YOUTH CHOIR 2018



HOUSE TO HOUSE CAROLLING

to spread the joy of Christmas!!

on 17, 20, 21, 27 & 28 December, 7-10pm

If you are interested in having us, contact Christine 81269103 or Nathanael 92749162

Church of the Holy Cross THANKSGIVING MASS & YEAR END COUNTDOWN PARTY

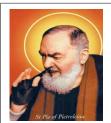


Monday, 31 December 2018

Bilingual Thanksgiving Mass at 9pm, thereafter Party at the Foyer.

\$5 Entrance Fee. Tickets are available for sale this weekend.

Please visit ticket booth outside the church. Join us for games, songs, food, lucky draw and fancy dress (movie Characters). See you there!



DEVOTION TO SAINT PIO

Church of the Holy Cross

On Sunday, 9 December @4pm, @St Michael Room (Every 2nd Sunday of the Month)



Church of the Holy Cross

450 Clementi Ave One Singapore 129955 www.holycross.org.sg

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

8 & 9 Dec 2018

First Reading Baruch 5:1-9

Second Sunday of Advent

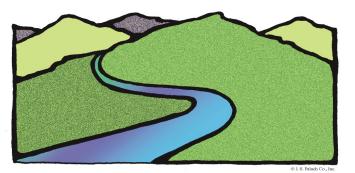
Second Reading

Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

Gospel

Luke 3:1-6

Reflection



AWAITING THE SALVATION OF GOD

The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman empire isn't big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God's salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God's salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees.

It can't get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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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.

STUDENT INTERNS

The Chancery Archives, a department supporting the Archdiocese in records management and archives, is seeking self-motivated and detail-oriented interns who have academic training in historical research and/or are interested in history and heritage matters.

Applicants should be students with minimum 'A' level or diploma qualifications, and should be able to commit to the internship for at least 3 months or longer.

Kindly submit your resume, your available period for internship and a recent photo to chanceryrecruitment@catholic.org.sg by 23 December 2018.

PROJECT G.O.D. 2018

Project G.O.D. (Gift of One Dollar) is our parish annual fund raising initiative undertaken by our Sec 3 Youth Confirmands.

The beneficiary for this year is **Boys' Town**.

2ND COLLECTION

There will be a 2nd collection this weekend for Project G.O.D. Please give generously.

GIFT PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC FOUNDATION



Next weekend, 15/16 December, being the 3rd weekend of the month, there will be a second collection to receive your monthly pledges and contribution for the Gift campaign. More info is available at gift.catholicfoundation.sg.

CHILDREN'S EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (CEA)

(\$TARTING JAN 4, 2019)

When: Every 1st Friday of the month, 7.45pm-9pm

Where: St Michael's room

Who: Children 5-12 year olds

(1-4 year olds must be accompanied by parents)



Eucharistic Adoration for Children

Children's Eucharistic Adoration (CEA) is dedicated to leading children into the mystery of the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist, through a simple structure of prayer and silent adoration. All are welcomed!



INFANT BAPTISM ON SUNDAY, 6 JANUARY 2019

Preparatory Session: Sunday, 30 December 2018 at 12.45pm @ St Michael Rm *Compulsory for parents & godparents* *Registration close on 23 December.

BE A FACILITATOR

CATECHISM FACILITATOR RECRUITMENT (SECONDARY LEVEL)

We warmly present you an opportunity to help build our future church.

TO HELP YOU DISCERN, WE'RE CONDUCTING A TRIAL FACILITATORS WORKSHOP JUST FOR YOU.

To register, log on to https://goo.gl/mjLjrj or scan the QR code or contact Aaron 8228 9138 / Stephanie 9726 6712



REGISTRATION FOR SEC 1 CATECHISM FOR 2019

All incoming students for Sec 1 Catechism for 2019 are asked to register using the link below. Please register by 30 December 2018.

To register, please use the link:

https://tinyurl.com/2019HCSec1 or scan this QR Code:.

*incoming Sec 2s and Sec 3s need not register.

Abundance

FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35 YRS)

Friday 7.45 - 9.45pm @ Church of the Holy Cross, Room 03-08 By Nicholas Lye

28 Dec 18: Christian Singlehood - "Sad and lonely?"
25 Jan 19: Personal Vocation - "One and only?"
22 Feb 19: Personal Discernment - "Not about me?"

Sign up at tinyurl.com/abundanceholycross

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MOVEMENT

Come PRAISE and THANK the LORD with us on Tuesdays 7.45pm @ All Saints Hall, Level 1



<u>Topics for Talks in November & December 2018</u>

11 Dec: Growt	th – Overcoming The Works of The Evil One	Fr Henry Siew
18 Dec:	Break for Christmas	
25 Dec:	Break for Christmas	
	* All are Welcome *	