

## **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



## **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**

**Second Sunday  
of Advent**

**First Reading**  
Baruch 5:1-9

**Second Reading**  
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11

**Gospel**  
Luke 3:1-6

### **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.

## **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)

## **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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### **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](mailto: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](http://gift.catholicfoundation.sg).

## **CHILDREN'S EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (CEA)**

**(STARTING JAN 4, 2019)**

When: **Every 1<sup>st</sup> 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](http://tinyurl.com/abundanceholycross)**

## **CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MOVEMENT**

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

### **Topics for Talks in November & December 2018**

11 Dec: Growth – Overcoming The Works of The Evil One Fr Henry Siew

18 Dec: -----Break for Christmas -----

25 Dec: -----Break for Christmas -----

\* All are Welcome \*

