

# A Blessed and Merry Christmas to all!

Fr Henry, Fr Robertus, Fr Vinay and Fr Peter Duan

# 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 \*



### **CHRISTMAS PAGEANT 2018**

### Christmas Eve: Monday, 24 December @6.30pm

All Children are welcome to dress in Christmas costumes such as Angels and Shepherds and be part of this Christmas Pageant.

# **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.

# **PARISH Holy Hour** First Friday of the month

4 January 2019, 8pm @ Main Church

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



# 1st Jan 2019 New Year **Public Holiday**

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

\* Mass at 8am \*

\* No 6.15pm Mass \*



# 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.

22 & 23 Dec 2018

First Reading Micah 5:1-4a

**Fourth Sunday** of Advent

Second Reading Hebrews 10:5-10 Gospel

Luke 1:39-45

### Reflection



#### **MEMORIES AND DREAMS**

Throughout our lives, we retain the language and habits of our native region and family of origin. Should we return to our home after a long absence, we guickly revert to its familiar speech and practices. Our deep memory is reflected in old stories and words and speech patterns. This familiarity runs like an underground river and accompanies us wherever we go.

Not only do we remember, we are incorporated into and made part of a greater memory. In remembering and recollecting, we are in turn gathered up and re-collected.

Today we remember Mary, a small figure travelling the country roads to visit Elizabeth. All the great pronouncements and dreams of the prophets point to this time when the Lord's words to Mary would be gathered and fulfilled. The memories of her people are alive in her, and memories of her nourish our own living faith. 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.

### **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 Dec 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.



### **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 9729 6712

### **BOOK OF PSALMS** By Fr Ferdinand Purnomo OCD

MORNING SESSION

16 sessions: 22 January-28 May 2019

Tuesday mornings, 9:30am-11:30am at 2 Highland Road, #03-17 CAEC Building, S549102



**EVENING SESSION** 

15 sessions: 21 Jan-27 May 2019

Monday evenings, 7:30pm-9:30pm

at CANA, Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo Street, Singapore 187954

Organised by Archdiocesan Biblical Apostolate

Course description and registration: <a href="https://bit.ly/2GfwK6L">https://bit.ly/2GfwK6L</a> Email: aba\_secretariat@catholic.org.sg Tel: 62800354

# CHILDREN'S EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (CEA)

**(STARTING 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)

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!





# **HEROES**

"If we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord." (Rom 14:8)

HEROES is a Youth Discipleship programme that helps youths aged 15-19yrs to discover the HERO within them. Through fun, engaging, activity-based sessions, youths are formed in human and spiritual formation so as to better equip them to face life's challenges and realities, and live in freedom as heroes for Christ!



Dates: Sunday 6 & 20 Jan, 3 & 17 Feb, 3 Mar 2019

Time: 11.30am-1.30pm (followed by lunch) **Venue: Church of the Holy Cross, Room #03-10** 

Sign up at tinyurl.com/holycrossheroes

# **Abundance** By Nicholas Lye

FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35 YRS)

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



# **CROSSROADS**

5 Jan 2019, 9am - 6 Jan 2019, 1pm

Choice Retreat House, 47 Jurong West St 42

Contribution: \$180

A retreat for young people (20-35 year old) to consider where they have been and where they would like to go, and to prayerfully discern the choices in their lives. By Cenacle sisters. Please register at www.cenaclemission.com

# **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 23/12.



# **CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MOVEMENT**

\* No activity till 8th of January 2019 \*

