

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.

Tickets will be sold at venue after 9 pm mass on 31st Dec 2018. Food will not be included for tickets sold on that day, but you can join photo booth and lucky draw!

Theme of party will be Movies.

Come dressed as your favourite movie character and stand to win attractive prizes!



1ST JAN 2019 NEW YEAR

Public Holiday

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

* Mass at 8am * * No 6.15pm Mass *



PARISH Holy Hour

First Friday of the month

4 January 2019, 8pm @ Main Church Come, let us adore the Lord as a parish Community.

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!







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.

29 & 30 Dec 2018

First Reading

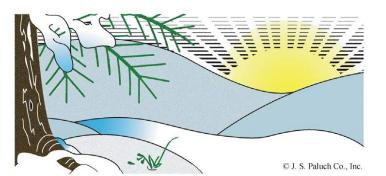
1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Second Reading 1 John 3: 1-2, 21-24

Gospel Luke 2: 41-52

Reflection



HOME IS WHERE THE FAMILY IS

The idea, dream, and reality of family is so strong and durable that we use it to describe all that is best about human gatherings. We speak of the family of nations, of our church and parish families. The greatest compliment we can pay a friend or gracious host is to say that we feel at home with them, we feel part of the family.

Families are the first crucibles in which love is tested and tempered. Jesus himself was one of three people who lived in the shadow of each other. This family, like our own, did not always "get it right," but they always tried to. These three "amateurs" were on holiday, and one of them got lost. Two were worried sick and took great measures to find the third, a boy after all, who was seeking the meaning of his calling. He found his Vocation - to do his Father's work - but he also returned home with his parents. 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 <u>2nd</u> 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.

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: https://bit.ly/2GfwK6L Email: aba_secretariat@catholic.org.sg Tel: 62800354



CROSSROADS By Cenacle sisters

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.

Please register at www.cenaclemission.com

Abundance By Nicholas Lye

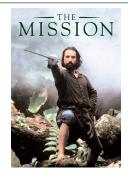
FAITH FORMATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-35 YRS)

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

25 Jan 19: Personal Vocation - "One and only?"

22 Feb 19: Personal Discernment - "Not about me?"

Sign up at *tinyurl.com/abundanceholycross*



MOVIE NIGHT - JAN 2019

"The Mission"

Friday, 18 January, 8pm @ The Auditorium

Based on historical events in the eighteenth century, the story of a Jesuit missionary program is told through the eyes of Fr Gabriel, who enters the South America jungle to convert a community of Guarani Indians to Christianity.

The Mission is a deeply moving film that reminds us of the vitality of love, the miracle of grace, and the transforming power of acts of conscience.

Robert De Niro Jeremy Irons PG – Violence Runtime 124 min

Food will be available for sale in the Canteen 7pm-7.45pm.

HOLY CROSS BIBLE MINISTRY 2019 PROGRAM

Devotion to the word of God is not simply one of many devotions, beautiful but somewhat optional. It goes to the very heart and identity of Christian life. ' Pope Francis Gaudete et Exsultate.

The Bible Ministry will be organising a series of **3 bible study programs** in **2019** to assist both the beginner as well as seasoned veterans deepen their knowledge of the bible.

1. "Unlocking the mystery of the bible" starting 21/1 by Jeff Cavins 8 sessions for beginners who want a quick journey through the bible as well as those who want a big picture view of how the Old Testament links with the New Testament.

Registration will be before or after mass on 6 & 13 Jan. Costs \$35 for the study guide.

Sessions are on Mondays: 7.45 pm- 9.30 pm or Wednesdays: 10-12 pm or Saturdays: 2.15- 4 pm.

"Unlocking the mystery " is a replacement for the Great adventure program titled "A Quick Journey through the Bible" conducted in the parish in 2014.

- 2. "Gospel of Luke" tentatively starting April 29- 12 sessions
- **3. "Revelations"** by Jeff Cavins 11 sessions tentatively starting 23 Sep Come join in a bible study in 2019 and improve your relationship with the Lord!

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 <u>tinyurl.com/holycrossheroes</u>

PROJECT G.O.D. 2018

Collection for "Boys' Town" from our annual fund raising initiative by Sec 3 Youth Confirmands is \$23,199.00 We would like to thank everyone for your generosity.