40TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE BOOK



The Commemorative Book will be launched on the weekend of 31/8 & 1/9 instead of 7&8 September as earlier announced. It will be sold at a discounted price of \$10 each. Get a copy at the booth outside the Church entrance.

Limited copies are available.

Church of the Holy Cross

FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

11 - 15 September 2019

Theme: The Paradox of the Cross

MANDARIN MASS

Tuesday, 10 September By Fr Terrence Wee

TRIDUUM

Wednesday, 11 September "The Cross - Wisdom and Foolishness" By Fr Glenn De Cruz

Thursday, 12 September "The Cross - Glory and Shame" By Fr Francis Vijayan

Friday, 13 September "The Cross - Power and Weakness" By Fr Glenn De Cruz

FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday, 14 September Masses: 5pm, 6.30pm (Mandarin)

Sunday, 15 September Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am, 5pm 11.30am (by Archbishop William Goh)

FOOD & FUN FAIR

8am - 1pm at basement canteen

* 7.30pm Holy Rosary, 8pm Mass

Veneration of The Relic of the True Cross after each Mass.

~ As we celebrate these happy occasions as one community, let us put on Parish T-shirt for the Celebrations.~

DONATION OF USED BOOKS

The primary Catechist ministry is appealing to parishioners to donate any used and in good condition books (story book, general knowledge book, comic book and religious book) for our feast day project. Please leave them in book drop in front of the catechist room.



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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 August 2019

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading

Isaiah 66:18-21

Second Reading Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel

Luke 13:22-30

Reflection



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WELCOME THE STRANGER

We have become accustomed to seeing pictures in the media and stories on the news about immigrants from Latin America and refugees from Syria fleeing violence and destruction in their own countries, trying to make their way to a safe place. We have also seen the reactions of people who want to keep them away from their countries, who fail to welcome the stranger and the helpless children. Have we forgotten Jesus' call to comfort the homeless and the stranger? "They shall bring all your brothers and sisters from all the nations . . . to Jerusalem, my holy mountain, says the LORD."

In the three readings for this day, we are told that we are to welcome these strangers, to welcome the discipline of the Lord, which leads to peace, and to "strive to enter through the narrow gate" into the glory of God's own homeland, the reign of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdavs:

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.

2019 Church of the Holy Cross Celebrates 40th Anniversary

CALLING FOR SINGERS



Sing in Holy Cross' first ever Advent Musical Evening of Reflection on 29 November 2019



Music Director: Mr Daniel Fong

Singapore's leading Baritone, Daniel is passionate about church music and empowering choirs to serve. Along with his performing schedule, Daniel lectures at NAFA and NUS-Yong Siew Toh Conservatory, as well as conducts regular workshops for church choirs and cathedral choir members.

Placement Session

Come meet Daniel on Sunday, **8 September, 2pm** at St Michael's Room and sing him your favorite hymn. WhatsApp Doreen (9759 3528) your name and hymn title.

Vocal Training & Rehearsals

All vocal training and rehearsal sessions with Daniel will be on Sundays, 2-4pm.

INFANT BAPTISM

Sunday, 1 September 2019

Preparatory Session:
Sunday, 25 August at 12.45pm
@ St Michael Room
*Compulsory for parents
& godparents*

The Finance Offices from the Archdiocese of Singapore have offered a

THANKSGIVING MASS

Saturday, 24 August, 5pm

for God's guidance towards the successful completion of the external Statutory Audit for the Financial year ended December 2018.

HOLY CROSS CHARISMATIC RENEWAL MOVEMENT

Come SING PRAISES, THANK the LORD and PRAY for healing with us. on Tuesdays 7.45pm @ All Saints Hall, Level 1

TOPICS FOR TALKS IN SEPTEMBER 2019

3 Sept Growth – Loving God (by Nicholas Chia)

10 Sept Growth – Christian Love (by Fr Gerard Victor)

17 Sept Growth – Faith (Terrence Francisco)

24 Sept Growth – Guidance (Bonaventure Lek)

1 Oct Growth – The World & Christian Community – Nicholas Chia

8 Oct Growth – Overcoming The Flesh – Fr Gerard Victor

15 Oct Growth – Repairing Wrongdoing – Fr Henry Siew

22 Oct Growth – Overcoming The Works of The Evil One - Terrence Francisco

29 Oct Fellowship

All are welcome.

INVITATION TO BE A CHILDREN CATECHIST, ASSISTANT CATECHIST AND YOUTH FACILITATORS

To find out how you can be part of this exciting ministry of drawing our young people to Christ, please register your interest.

We will contact you to attend a meet-us session for you to find out more about us before you commit your registration with us. https://tinyurl.com/HC-Catechist-Registration



"Pope Francis emphasizes the need for us to cherish the gift of creation by exercising responsible stewardship and cultivating "ecological virtues" which will ensure the sustainable use of the earth's resources."

SAY YES TO WASTE LESS!

Launching **'The Laudato Si Movement'** in Holy Cross this weekend from 7am to 1.00pm ~ an effort to refine the "green" practices in our Church. Come and visit our exhibitions and booths at the foyer and canteen.

Learn how we can care for God's world!!

Take part in a simple quiz at the kids' corner and win a plushy!!

Special guest: Ms Dulcie Eng, (GM SW CDC)

REUSABLE CUTLERY GIFT SET



In conjunction with the celebration of our Feast Day and the launch of "Laudato Si Movement', a reusable cutlery set is gifted to our parishioners this weekend during Mass hours. SUPPORT a "Zero Waste" environment! Bring these for the Feast Day festivities and the weekly canteen.

Say Yes To Waste Less! WHILE STOCKS LAST!

INVITATION TO TALK ON FAITH AND CATHOLIC ART

by Renowned Art Historian Dr Elizabeth Lev

Dr Lev's talk is a wonderful opportunity for Catholics to renew their faith through the beauty of great and ageless works of Catholic art, and to discover the stories that led to their creation. **This sacred art is our Catholic heritage.**

There will be 3 public talks on "How Catholic Art Saved the Faith" by Dr Lev:



Tues, 3/9/19 8pm Church of the Transfiguration
Wed, 4/9/19 8pm Church of St Ignatius
Thurs, 5/9/19 7.30pm Cathedral of the Good Shepherd

All the talks are free and everyone is welcome to attend.