

MASS SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS

Christmas Eve - Tuesday, 24 December



7.15pm: Family Mass (Pageant/Caroling at 6.45pm)
 9.30pm: Mandarin Mass (Caroling at 9pm)
 12.00mn: Midnight Mass (Pageant/Caroling at 11.30pm)

Christmas Day - Wednesday, 25 December

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

MASS TIME FOR NEW YEAR 2020



New Year's Eve (Dec 31, Tuesday)

Mass at 9pm

1st Jan 2020, Wednesday (Public Holiday)

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

* Mass at 8am and 9.30am* * No 6.15pm Mass *



CHANGE OF MASS TIMINGS ON SATURDAYS

Effective Saturday, 4 January 2020

New timings:

4.00pm: Novena, 4.45pm: Mass (English)
 6.30pm: Mandarin Mass (Remain unchanged)

January 2020						
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2020 COUNTDOWN CELEBRATION

31 December 2019, Tuesday

Thanksgiving Mass at 9pm

(thereafter follow by the countdown)
 10pm - 12.15am, at Church Canteen

Tickets: Adults: \$6 / Children: \$4

(available at Crosswords bookshop or the Secretariat)

Special Highlights:

- Fantastic Luncky draw prizes
- FREE goodie bag, lite bites & drink, ice cream & balloons for children
- Games for adults & children
- Gifts for children

Hurry! Get your tickets NOW!



Church of the Holy Cross

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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.

21 & 22 Dec 2019

Fourth Sunday
of Advent

First Reading

Isaiah 7:10-14

Second Reading

Romans 1:1-7

Gospel

Matthew 1:18-24

Reflection

TRUST IN GOD

On this final Sunday of Advent our scriptures focus on the historical birth of Jesus, who is son of David and Son of God, child and king, Jesus and Emmanuel.



They shall name him Emmanuel, which means "God is with us."
— Matthew 1:23

Isaiah the prophet begs Ahaz to ask for a sign, to allow God to offer him reassurance of the survival of the Davidic dynasty. The king hypocritically refuses to "tempt the LORD" in that way (Isaiah 7:12), but the prophet foretells the birth of a son, an heir to the throne, who will prove the Lord's enduring protection of God's chosen lineage on the throne of David. The child will be called Emmanuel.

Matthew's reference to this history in his description of the birth of Jesus highlights the contrast between the faithless refusal of trust shown by Ahaz, and the complete trust in God shown by Mary and Joseph in bringing about the birth of Jesus Christ.

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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.

INDISCRIMINATE PARKING

along Clementi Ave 1 during church services.

LTA WARNS: DO NOT park your car



- a) within 3 meter fire hydrant, 6 meter junction and 9meter bus stop,
- b) at road bends, entrances or exits of any access,
- c) at zebra-controlled areas.

Parishioners are encouraged to park your car within Casa Clementi car park. LTA warns that fine and demerit points will be issued without hesitation if vehicles found parking indiscriminately along Clementi Ave 1.

CATECHISM REGISTRATION FOR 2020 INTAKE

GOOGLE FORM FOR NEW REGISTRATION

<https://forms.gle/zU6aLViDDaRmtnjz7>

Catechism Registration for 2020 intake for children from pre-primary, primary and secondary levels is now open. Please register online by scanning the QR Code.



Catechism will start on Sat 11 Jan 2020 for secondary levels and on Sun 9 Feb 2020 for the pre-primary & primary levels. Children who are already attending catechism in the parish do not need to register for 2020.

GOOD FOOD, GOOD CAUSE AT CROSSINGS CAFÉ



Support a Catholic social enterprise that serves hearty and affordable local and western fare. The café provides employment opportunities for the disadvantaged, and donates all profits to charity. Enjoy a good meal with your friends and family at Crossings Café (#01-01 Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo St, S187954).

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 JANUARY 2020

- 7 Jan: Your Epiphany Story - Nicholas Chia
 - 14 Jan: CNY Fellowship
 - 21 & 18 Jan: No Meeting
- All are welcome!

PARISH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PLAN

KEEPING VIGILANT IN CHURCH

In this Season of Peace and Love, let us be mindful of our responsibility for each other, and remain vigilant of acts against Love.

Please remember - If there is an emergency, remain calm and listen to the instructions of the wardens. Take note of the emergency exits closest to you. Watch the "Safety Announcements" slideshow before the Mass and take note of where **Assembly Area A and Assembly Area B** are.

INFANT BAPTISM

Sunday, 5 January 2020

Preparatory Session: Sunday, 29 December at 12.45pm
@ St Michael Room

Compulsory for parents & godparents



Have you personally experienced God's goodness in your life
Is this something you would like to share with others?

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Starts February 15, 2020 Saturdays at 10 am to 12 noon



Invite your friends to attend RCIA, send them the RCIA form available at <https://tinyurl.com/RCIA-form> or scan the QR code.



For enquiries, please contact Agnes Tiong @98245926 or email agnestiong31@gmail.com

2019 LOVE IN THE CITY - MINISTER OF LONELINESS

Have you registered? Bring your friends and family! Come and watch this 75 minutes drama presentation of a journey on the Camino de Santiago. Brought to you by Walk on Water Productions and the Office for the New Evangelisation. A meaningful way to celebrate Christmas and to welcome a new year!

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/2019loveinthecity>

Show Time: 2:30pm, on 28 December 2019
Venue: Agape Village (Multi-purpose Hall)