

## LENTEN RETREAT 2019

### Christian Life as Discerning Discipleship

**Speaker: Fr Selva Rathinam**

At Church of the Holy Cross, Auditorium, 4<sup>th</sup> Level

Friday, 5 April : 8.30pm - Orientation Talk

Saturday, 6 April : 9.00am - 3.30pm (including Lunch)

Sunday, 7 April : 2.30pm - 9pm (including Dinner and Mass)

**Please register to facilitate our meals preparation.**

SMS/WhatsApp: Mobile 9729 9087

or scan the QR code to register on line

or Email: [holycross@singnet.com.sg](mailto:holycross@singnet.com.sg)

**All are welcome!**



## Church of the Holy Cross

450 Clementi Ave One Singapore 129955 [www.holycross.org.sg](http://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.*

**23 & 24 Mar 2019**

### First Reading

Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

### Second Reading

1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

### Gospel

Luke 13:1-9

**Third Sunday  
of Lent**

### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

### WEST DISTRICT PENITENTIAL SERVICES

**All services begin at 8pm**

Thurs 4 Apr - Church of St Mary of the Angels

**Mon 8 Apr - Church of the Holy Cross**

Tues 9 Apr - Church of St Francis Assisi

Wed 10 Apr - Church of St Ignatius

Thurs 11 Apr - Blessed Sacrament Church

**Come, be reconciled with the Lord!**



### SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

18 April **Holy Thursday** : 7pm (Mass of the Lord's Supper)

\*Eucharistic Adoration after mass at All Saints Hall till midnight.

19 April **Good Friday** : The Passion of the Lord  
7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Mandarin),  
3pm & 5pm

20 April **Easter Vigil** : Holy Mass at 8pm (Bilingual)  
\*Please assemble at the Foyer for the Liturgy of the Light.

21 April **Easter Sunday** : Mass as per normal Sundays  
7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am and 5pm



### Reflection



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### MID-LENT CHECK-IN

God says to Moses, "This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you . . . The LORD, the God of your [ancestors], the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob" (Exodus 3:14, 15). As Jesus would later say, God is not a God of the dead, but of the living, and so we believe that the dead will one day rise. At this midpoint of Lent, we pause to consider how our repentance is leading us to the Resurrection, to our reunion with the great "I AM." Part of our repentance involves working to secure justice for all and helping our neighbor to live in God's ways. We encourage each other and nurture each other, like the compassionate gardener of today's Gospel, who tells the owner of the orchard that he will nurture the tree, fertilize it, and perhaps it will bear fruit. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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## **CLARITY'S BETTER AND HAPPIER PROGRAMME**

### **WEEKLY WORKSHOPS FROM MAR TILL MAY (FRI),**

10am – 11.30pm Venue: Clarity Yishun

Like a rice bowl filled with different ingredients that bring nourishment to our physical bodies, our in-house programme aims to bring the different ingredients of wellness together as nourishment to our mental wellbeing. Come join us to find out how you can use these ingredients to improve your mental wellbeing. Fees \$5. To Register, E: [ask@clarity-singapore.org](mailto:ask@clarity-singapore.org) or T: 6757 7990

### **CLARITY'S SPACEBAH WORKSHOPS**

13, 27 Apr, 4 May (Sat), 10am – 12pm. Venue: Agape Village  
SPACEBAH workshops aim to help youths with mental health needs improve their sleep quality and make lasting changes to their sleeping habits. Fees \$0. To Register, E: [ask@clarity-singapore.org](mailto:ask@clarity-singapore.org) or T: 6757 7990

### **INTRODUCTORY GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY WORKSHOP**

25 May (Introductory workshop), 15, 22 & 29 Jun (Small group workshops) 10.30am – 12.30pm. Agape Village  
Fees \$15. To Register, E: [ask@clarity-singapore.org](mailto:ask@clarity-singapore.org) or T: 6757 7990

## **VISIT TO CHINA (INNER MONGOLIA)**

**June 8-18, 2019**

Once again Scheut Missions (CICM) organizes a visit to its former Missions in Inner Mongolia. This year's trip ends with a 4-night cruise on the Yangtze River (Three Gorges). All inclusive cost S\$3,200.

Registration closes 30 March (max 25 pex; 17 already booked).

Contact Fr Paul Staes at 6468-2645. Email: [spe@catholic.org.sg](mailto:spe@catholic.org.sg)

## **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 MARCH & APRIL 2019**  
**- PERSONAL WITNESSING -**



- 26 Mar: My Hope of Developing the Spirituality of Communion (Fr Henry Siew)
- 2 April: Working as a Vincentian (SVDP member)
- 9 April: The nature of God's Kingdom (Lenten reflection)
- 16 April: No Meeting (Holy Week)

\* All are Welcome

## **HALF-DAY RETREAT FOR MARRIED COUPLES**

by Verbum Dei Missionaries

**Retreat Title: "Becoming what we receive"**

**Sunday, 31 March, 3.15pm - 6pm, at 4 Sommerville Rd**

The retreat is specifically for married couples and the purpose is to give them the time and space to be quiet and pray with the Word of God.

To register, SMS or WhatsApp Mark at @ 94870999.



## **CHARITIES WEEK 2019**

You generous support will enable our Catholic charities to further their cause and do more to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in need.

Please drop the appeal envelope into donation box at the church or send your cheque to Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo, #08-01 Singapore 187954).

**PIETA** is a support group for bereaved parents. We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to unite with us in faith. Our monthly session is on every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm to 9:00pm at Agape Village, Toa Payoh Lorong 8, and the next one would be held on **Tue 26 March 2019**.

email: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com)

facebook: <https://facebook.com/PietaSingapore>



## **NO CATECHISM CLASSES**

### **FOR ALL LEVELS**

from 16 March to 24 March

**Classes will resume**  
on 30 March (Secondary levels)  
and 31 March (Primary levels)

## **STATIONS OF THE CROSS & MASS**

For Fridays on March 29, April 5 and 12

\* Stations at 7.30pm

\* Mass at 8pm

**There will be NO 6.15pm Mass.**

## **West District Youth Amazing Race 2019**

West District Youth will be organizing an Amazing Race for youths of 15-18 years old. The Amazing Race will cover the 5 churches in the West District. Do join in for an evening of fun!

Invite your non-Catholic friends too!

Starting Venue: **Church of the Holy Cross**  
End Venue: **Church of St Mary of the Angels**  
Date: **6 April, Saturday** Time: **3pm-9.30pm**  
Fee: **\$10** (for T-shirt and dinner)

Sign up here: <https://form.jotform.me/90588872000458>

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