

Clarity's Maternal Mental Health Talk

Understand the common mood changes that may occur during pregnancy and postnatal period. With greater awareness, families can overcome the challenges in life. Come join us on Sat 18 Nov from 10am – 12pm at Agape Village, 7A Toa Payoh Lorong 8. Fees \$20 per person. Early bird \$15 before 4 Nov. Register: <http://tinyurl.com/ybcc3u47>. Enquires: 68017467/6 or registration@clarity-singapore.org

Appeal for the Humanitarian Aid Fund

CHARIS is making its annual appeal for the Humanitarian Aid Fund to support the Archdiocese's overseas humanitarian work and disaster response. Appeal flyers and envelopes are available in the parish. Alternatively, you can send a crossed cheque payable to "Humanitarian Aid Fund" with your name and contact information to: CHARIS, #07-02 Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo Street, Singapore 187954. Please contact Victoria Lim at 6337-4119 or info@charis-singapore.org for further information.

food for thought

The Pharisees continue to test Jesus with a question about the greatest commandment.

This week's Gospel follows close behind the Gospel read last Sunday. It is the last of three questions put to Jesus by Jewish religious leaders who are trying to trick him into saying something that might get him arrested. This reminds us that the context for today's reading is the mounting tension between Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem.

The Herodians and the Pharisees asked the first question, which was about taxes. The Sadducees asked the second question, which was about the Resurrection (see Matthew 22:22-33). The third question, considered in today's Gospel, is asked by a Pharisee who asks Jesus about the greatest of the commandments.

The question requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional rules, numbering over six hundred. Adherence to the Mosaic Law, for a devout Jew, is an expression of faithfulness to God's covenant with Israel. The ranking of the Commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus answers the Pharisees' question with a two-fold summary. Jesus says that all of the commandments can be summarized in two commandments: love God and love your neighbour. Both of these were central elements of the religious tradition Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed these continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus' response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbour.

Children learn about love from real, concrete examples witnessed in family life. We can help children to love God and love their neighbours by showing everyday acts of love, generosity, and kindness—our own expressions of our love for God. These acts, small and large, are the expression of what Jesus identified as the two greatest commandments: love God and love neighbour.

Make a poster together as a family. Write the words Love God in the centre of the poster and write the words Love Neighbour near each of the four sides of the poster. Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 22:34-40. Talk about how Jesus taught us that our love for God is revealed in the love that we show to other people. On the poster, use pictures and words to show some of the ways that your family shows their love for other people. Pray together that your family will continue to express your love for God by loving others.



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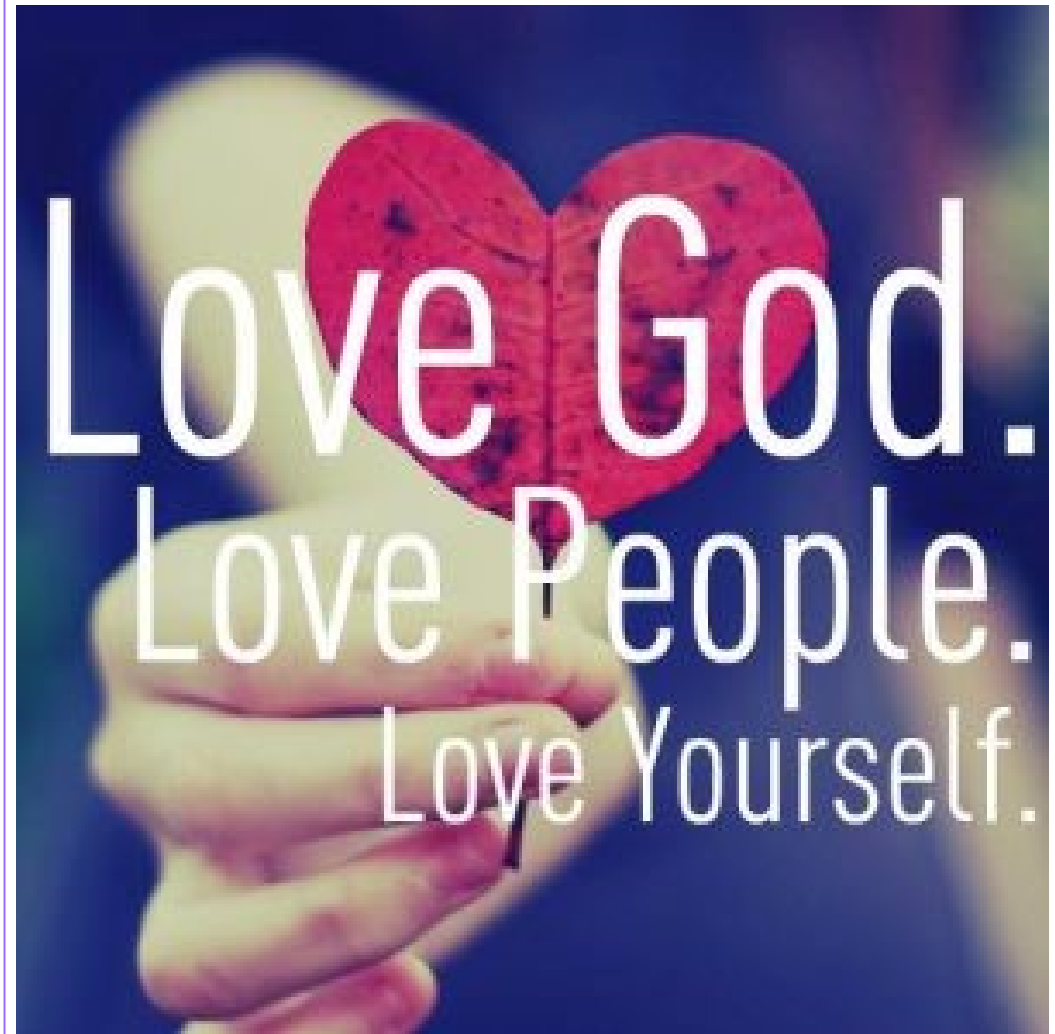
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29 OCT 2017

30TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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First reading
Responsorial Psalm
Second reading
Gospel

Sunday Readings

Exodus 22:20-26
Psalm 17:2-4,47,51
1 Thessalonians 1:5-10
Matthew 22:34-40

Mass Schedule @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekdays (English)	12:30pm & 6:30pm
1st Friday	7:30pm
Sat (Sunset - English)	6:00pm & 7:30pm
Sunday (English)	7:30am, 11:30am & 1.00pm
Sunday (Tamil)	9:30am & 6:30pm
Public Holiday (English)	9:00am
Public Holiday (Tamil)	10:00am

Parish Activities

English	- Our Lady of Lourdes Novena (Saturday)	5:30pm
	- Rosary Recitation (Weekdays)	11.55am
	Monday & Wednesday	5.55pm
	- Holy Hour with Benediction(1st Friday)	6.30pm followed by Mass 7.30pm
	- Sacred Heart Devotion	6.30pm followed by Mass (All other Fridays)
	- Divine Mercy (Tuesday)	5:45pm
	- Legion of Mary (Tuesdays)	7.30pm
	- Infant Jesus (Thursday)	5:45pm
	- Charismatic (Every Friday)	7.45pm
	- Legion of Mary (Sundays)	9.45am
Tamil	- Infant Jesus (Tuesday)	4:30pm
	- Divine Mercy (Friday)	5:45pm
	- OLPS Novena (Every Saturday)	8:00pm
Indonesian	- Karismatik Katolik Indonesia Holy Spirit (Thursday)	1.00pm
	- KKIHS Youth Group (2nd & 4th Friday)	7.30pm
Filipino	- Filipino Christian Professionals	8.00pm (1st Friday Mass)
	- Light of Jesus Bible Sharing (Monday)	7.30pm

Important Parish Information

Wedding Arrangements	Church Wedding bookings must be made in advance. Please contact the Secretariat.
Infant Baptism	Every 4th Sunday in English and every 3rd Sunday in Tamil @ 4.00pm. Register at the Parish Office. Please provide photocopy of church marriage certificate of parents, birth certificate of infant and confirmation certificate of Godparents.
Mass Intentions	Please drop your Mass intention into the Box located outside the Parish Office by 3pm on Wednesday for the following week's intentions.
Lourdes Prayer Hall	For bookings contact the Parish Office at 6294 0624
Anointing	Make an appointment with a priest before planned admission to hospital.
Holy Communion for the Homebound	Register with the Parish Office.

Kindly be aware of people who profess to pray over others in the Parish Grounds, and/or in your homes for the purpose of soliciting funds without the approval of the Archdiocese and Priests of the Parish.

The building project of Our Lady of Lourdes parish is at present under review, and its fund raising project is being put on hold until further notice by the Archdiocese.

For further enquires, kindly email the Parish Secretariat at ololpastoral@gmail.com or ololsec@gmail.com



All Saints' Day Day of Obligation

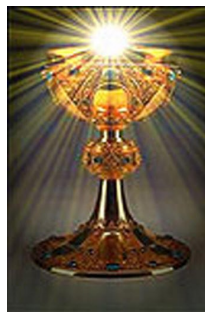
Sunset Mass - Tuesday, 31st October 2017
Time : 6:30pm (English)

All Saints' Day - Wednesday, 1st November 2017
Time : 12:30pm & 6:30pm (English)
& 8:00pm (Tamil)



All Souls Day (Not a Day of Obligation) - Thursday, 2nd November 2017
Time : 12:30pm & 6:30pm (English)

Holy Hour



If Jesus were actually visible in church, everyone would run to welcome him, but he remains hidden in the Sacred Host under the appearance of bread, because he is calling us to faith, that we many come to him in humility. "The Blessed Sacrament is the 'Living Heart' of each of our churches and it is our very sweet duty to honour and adore the Blessed Host, which our eyes see, the Incarnate Word, whom they cannot see." - Pope Paul VI

Come and spend some time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday of the Month. 3rd November 2017 @ 6.30pm followed by Mass.

Spiritual Beings, Human Experience

In the words of French philosopher and Jesuit Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience; we are spiritual beings having a human experience."

In this talk, join us to have a look at the human aspects of our spiritual being.

Date & Time: 9 November 2017 (Thursday), 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Facilitator: Sr Elizabeth Sim, FDCC

Contribution: \$30

<http://www.kingsmeadcentre.sg/programmes/heartandhome.html>

THE GOD OF MANY CHANCES: A Prayer Weekend

by Sr. Linda Lizada and Team

Date : 10-12 November 2017 Venue : Montfort Spirituality Centre

Time : Friday, 8:00 pm to Sunday, 1:00 pm ontribution : \$250/person

This weekend programme will invite participants to enter into a personal relationship with God who desires this relationship with us. It will include times for praying with suggested points, ways of remembering these moments and the means for habitually living in God's presence. For registration, please contact Tel. Nos. 65652895; 9722-3148; Email: cenaclemissionsingapore@gmail.com

PIETA First Memorial Mass for Children who have died

Fri 10th Nov 2017 at 7pm Venue: Good Shepherd Place Chapel Toa Payoh Lorong 8

www.facebook.com/pg/PietaSingapore/events

The child bereavement support group PIETA is organising a Memorial Mass for children who have died (including unborn and adult children). Parents, families and friends are welcome to attend and celebrate the gift of their children who are now in heaven. If you wish to include mention of your child in this mass, please REGISTER via email with your Name, Telephone and Email details by 15th Oct at pieta.Singapore@gmail.com.