

**Crossings Café** invites you to participate in their 2018 Lenten Project - 5 Loaves + 2 Fish (5L2F). When you visit Crossings for a meal, just give a \$5 donation that will go towards the Catholic Welfare Services Night Missions. Crossings will do their bit by donating part of their Lenten takings towards this same project. And together we will offer some baskets full of loaves and fish to the homeless. For information: Crossings 63382669

**COME AWAY BEACH RETREAT for Young Adults, 4D3N**

May 26-29 (public holiday), 2018 Venue: Bintan  
Take a holiday in a meaningful way in this "play and pray" retreat designed to help us grow & deepen our faith despite a busy lifestyle. Learning from the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, these days introduce experiences on quiet prayer, daily discernment, self-care and a way of finding God in all things and time. Open to all between 21-40 years old. Organised by the Cenacle Sisters. For registration / enquiries, email us: [cenaclemissionsingapore@gmail.com](mailto:cenaclemissionsingapore@gmail.com) or visit the website [www.cenaclemission.com](http://www.cenaclemission.com) to find out more about the program and fees.

**A SPIRITUALITY FOR THE SECOND HALF OF LIFE: The Midlife Transition**

13 April, Friday, 8 pm to 15 April, Sunday, 1 pm @ Montfort Centre  
This weekend retreat deals with the experience of transition that moves us into midlife - a stage of personal growth and development. Participants will work with materials on the Crisis of Limits and experience this stage of life as a spiritual journey, through inputs, prayer and personal reflection, sharing. Recommended to 38 years old and above. Organised by the Cenacle Mission. For registration, please contact: [cenaclemissionsingapore@gmail.com](mailto:cenaclemissionsingapore@gmail.com); tel. nos. 6565-2895 or 9722-3148; website: [www.cenaclemission.com](http://www.cenaclemission.com)

**PIETA** is a support group for bereaved parents. We come together as bereaved parents - in prayer, in WORD and in faith. The session, run by bereaved parents, meets monthly to pray, reflect and break open the WORD OF GOD. 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 4th 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 27 March 2018. Our contact details are email: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com) and we can also be found on Facebook: <https://facebook.com/PietaSingapore>

**Event: Labourers in the Vineyard Retreat**

Dates: 25 to 29 May 2018 Venue: Majodi Retreat Centre, Johor, Malaysia  
Cost: SGD 200 (Includes Accommodation, Meals, Transport)  
Organised by: Office for the New Evangelisation  
The "Labourers in the Vineyard" Retreat is a 5 days 4 nights stay-in retreat open to Catholics above the age of 21. Come away and allow yourselves to be encountered by the Lord! Programme includes daily Eucharistic celebration, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, talks, praise & worship, and spiritual counselling. Retreat Master: Rev Fr Terence Pereira, Episcopal Vicar for the New Evangelisation. To register visit: [www.one.org.sg/events](http://www.one.org.sg/events)

**Archbishop Emeritus Nicholas Chia 80th Birthday**

The Archdiocese of Singapore will be celebrating the 80th Birthday of Msgr. Nicholas Chia with a Thanksgiving Mass on Saturday, 7th April 2018 at 10:30am at the Church of the Holy Cross, Clementi. All are invited. After the Mass, there will be a reception buffet for invited guests only.

**Recruitment for Bethany East**

The upcoming clergy retirement residence Bethany East (Siglap) is seeking staff for the following paid positions: nursing aide, housekeeper, and cook. If interested, please email your full resume and expected salary to [chanceryrecruitment@catholic.org.sg](mailto:chanceryrecruitment@catholic.org.sg) by 25 March 2018. Volunteering opportunities are also available for clergy eldercare in the Archdiocese. If interested, volunteer forms are available at all parish offices. Please note that volunteer positions are unpaid.

# Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

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18 MAR 2018

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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### Sunday Readings

First reading  
Responsorial Psalm  
Second reading  
Gospel

Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Psalm 50:3-4,12-15  
Hebrews 5:7-9  
John 12:20-33

### 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

<b>English</b>	- 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
<b>Tamil</b>	- Infant Jesus (Tuesday)	4:30pm
	- Divine Mercy (Friday)	5:45pm
	- OLPS Novena (Every Saturday)	8:30pm
	- Rosary & OLOL Devotion (Sunday)	8:30am
	- All Night Vigil (2nd Saturday)	9.30pm to 5.30am
<b>Indonesian</b>	- Karismatik Katolik Indonesia Holy Spirit (Thursday)	1.00pm
	- KKIHS Youth Group (2nd & 4th Friday)	7.30pm
<b>Filipino</b>	- Filipino Christian Professionals	8.00pm (1st Friday Mass)
	- Light of Jesus Bible Sharing (Monday)	7.30pm

### Important Parish Information

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

### Lenten Information @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

During the Season of Lent, **Stations of the Cross** will take place on **Friday** at **12 noon** followed by Mass at 12.30pm and at **6pm** followed by Mass at 6.30pm



### 2018 Palm Sunday, Holy Week & Easter Schedule



**Palm Sunday** : Sunset Masses at 6.00pm and 7.30pm (English)  
Sunday Mass : 7:30am, 11:30am & 1.00pm (English)  
9.00am & 6.00pm (Tamil) - Both Masses half an hour earlier than usual

**March 29 - Holy Thursday:** Mass at 8:00pm Only (Bilingual - English & Tamil).  
No 12.30pm & 6.30pm Mass  
**March 30 - Good Friday:** Stations of the Cross at 2.30pm followed by Service at 3:00pm (English). Service at 6:00pm (Tamil) followed by Stations of the Cross  
**March 31 - Holy Saturday:** Easter Vigil at 8:00pm (English). Tamil Mass at 11.30pm  
**April 1 - Easter Sunday:** English Masses at 7:30am, 11:30am & 1.00pm.  
Tamil Masses at 9:30am & 6.30pm



### Lenten Penitential Service For City District

19 Mar	Mon	Sacred Heart 8pm
20 Mar	Tue	Sts Peter & Paul 8pm
21 Mar	Wed	St Bernadette's 8pm



**Church Cleaning**  
Date : Sunday, 18th March 2018  
Time : 2.30pm  
Church will be closed for cleaning from 2.30pm to 4.00pm  
All are welcome to help! Registration is not required.



### Second collection for GIFT envelopes

This weekend, there will be a second collection for the GIFT (Giving in Faith & Thankfulness) campaign. GIRO forms, cheques or cash can be sealed into GIFT envelopes and dropped into the collection bags that will go around. Spare GIFT envelopes are available in the church pews, and at the parish office. Please give generously for the vision of the archdiocese. More info is available at [atgift.catholicfoundation.sg](http://atgift.catholicfoundation.sg).

### Charities Week 2018

Please support and donate generously towards Charities Week 2018, an Archdiocesan annual fundraising project. Proceeds will enable Agape Village, a project of Caritas Singapore and many Catholic organisations under its umbrella to continue their work in reaching out to those in need. These include the poor, families, youth and children, prisoners, migrant workers, persons with HIV/AIDS, persons with physical challenges, persons with mental health conditions, and overseas humanitarian aid. **Pick up a Charities Week appeal envelope this weekend and contribute generously.** You can mail your donation directly to Caritas Singapore (for cheques only) or drop them at your parish. For walk-in donations to the Caritas Singapore office, please visit us at 55 Waterloo Street #08-01, Catholic Centre, Singapore 187954. Your contribution will make a difference in the lives of those in need. For more information, please contact us at 6338 3448 or visit our website at [www.caritas-singapore.org](http://www.caritas-singapore.org).