

**Congratulations to Fr Nithiya Sagayaraj on his
14th Anniversary of His Ordination!**
Thank you for your loving service to the Church.
May God bless you abundantly in your priestly ministry!



PERSONAL MORAL COMPASS COURSE 2018

Module 3 'Christian Morality' By Rev Fr David Garcia, OP. The Personal Moral Compass Course is for all Catholics and all people of goodwill interested in formation in the foundations of Ethics and Moral Theology. It is a year-long systematic course in Moral Theology consisting of 6 individual modules. This course is organized under Caritas Singapore. Module 3 - "Christian Morality" starts from 19 April over 6 sessions. Every Thursday, 7.30pm to 9.30pm, in Agape Village, 7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh. For more information and registration, go to www.caritas-singapore.org or email formation@caritas-singapore.org

EASTER DAY OF QUIET

Come spend some time this Easter season to reflect on the Lord's Resurrection. Prayer and handi-craft resources as well as the labyrinth walk will be available. Date: Friday, 20 April 2018 & Saturday, 21 April 2018 (choose one) Time: 10am - 5pm Contribution: \$60 (inclusive of lunch and refreshments) Register: <http://tinyurl.com/EDOQ18> Register: <http://tinyurl.com/Godwriting>

food for thought *Jesus appears again to his disciples and shares a meal with them.*

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Today's reading, taken from the Gospel of Luke, follows immediately after the report of Jesus' appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus. This is the event being recounted by the disciples in the opening verse of today's Gospel.

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." This is a most appropriate greeting. The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift—forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement.

As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. Descriptions of these meals are a defining element of Luke's Gospel. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.



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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Sunday Readings

First reading
Responsorial Psalm
Second reading
Gospel

Acts 3:13-15,17-19
Psalm 4:2,4,7,9
1 John 2:1-5
Luke 24:35-48

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)	8:30pm
	- Rosary & OLOL Devotion (Sunday)	8:30am
	- All Night Vigil (2nd Saturday)	9.30pm to 5.30am
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.



Church Cleaning

Date : Sunday, 15th April 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.

Evangelising Families

Explore how an organisation crucial to the vision of the Archdiocese, the Archdiocesan Commission of the Family, strives to evangelise families, and have families evangelise too. Support garnered through the GIFT campaign has allowed ACF to continue their work in encouraging families to follow God's design by educating, forming, transforming, protecting, nurturing, and celebrating the family. The video played this weekend at the end of Mass can be viewed also at <https://goo.gl/F7ahrD>

Charities Week 2018

Your donation will provide much needed funding to support our Catholic Charities and Agape Village, a project of Caritas Singapore, to serve over 50,000 beneficiaries in need such as the poor, families, youth and children, prisoners, migrant workers, and persons living with HIV / AIDS. Please pick up an appeal envelope and give generously. Your donation will enjoy a tax deduction of 250 percent.

PIMBY KAMPONG BAHRU is back! CANA invites you to spend the afternoon of Sunday April 22nd listening to stories of the faith and fortitude of our forefathers and foremothers in the vicinity of Kampong Bahru. We will take you on a walk through St Teresa's Church with stories that will haunt and inspire and deepen appreciation of our faith - stories of this beacon on top the hill that was Light for all who sought solace. We will also visit the Carmelite Monastery and tell you more stories. Date: Sunday 22 April 2018 Time: 2.00 -5.30 pm Meet at canteen of St Teresa's Church. Registration: email canatheplacetobe2013@gmail.com or call 63384080

"CHARIS Mission Trip – Join us in building Water filtration Systems for the people of Philippines. From 12 May – 18 May 2018, \$870 per pax. T&C apply. Limited spaces on a first come first served basis. For more information, contact Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives Singapore (CHARIS), Gabriel Lee at gabriel@charis-singapore.org or Tel: 6337-4119. Website www.charis-singapore.org"

"AWAKEN" RETREAT

"I have come to give Life, Life in all its fullness." John 10:10.
Calling young adults (18 to 25 years), come experience the unconditional love of God at Awaken, 14-17 June. More details at <http://www.csctr.net/awaken>