

Essential Elements of the Mass: Rekindling Our Eucharistic Amazement

What kind of thanksgiving does the term “Eucharistic celebration” imply? And what kind of meal do we mean when we call the Mass “the Lord’s Banquet”? Explore the essential elements of the Mass and celebrate the 15th anniversary of Pope John Paul II’s encyclical “Ecclesia de Eucharistia”. Speaker: Dr Chandra Nugraha Venue: CANA, the Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo St, #02-01, SG 187954 Date/ Time: Tuesday 19 June , 7.30pm to 9pm

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Bishop’s Catechesis for Neophytes

Date: Saturday, 23 Jun 2018 Time: 10.30am - 12.30pm

Venue: Church of the Holy Trinity, 20 Tampines Street 11, Singapore 529455

Theme: Body of Christ.

Calling all neophytes who were baptised in the last 3 years! Come and listen to Archbishop William Goh, chief shepherd of our archdiocese, as he shares how we can live fully alive as part of the Body of Christ. Find out more at www.catechesis.org.sg

food for thought

Jesus shares his Last Supper with his disciples.



Corpus Christi

Today, the second Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate a second solemnity, which marks our return to Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. At one time, this day was called Corpus Christi, the Latin words for “the Body of Christ.” In the most recent revision of our liturgical rites, the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology.

In our reading for today, we read the account of the Last Supper found in the Gospel of Mark. It begins with the instructions that Jesus gave to his disciples to prepare their Passover celebration. It then goes on to give an account of the Last Supper. On this Sunday, however, our Lectionary reading omits the verses between these two passages; in those omitted verses we hear Jesus predict his betrayal by one of his disciples.

The Gospel of Mark describes Jesus’ Last Supper with his disciples as a celebration of the Jewish feast of Passover. The Jewish celebration of Passover is a memorial to and a ritual participation in the defining moment of Israel’s history. It celebrates God’s deliverance of his people from slavery in Egypt. The Passover meal includes many ritually important elements, such as unleavened bread, lamb, and bitter herbs. Each food item recalls an aspect of the Exodus event. The instructions for the preparation of this meal are carefully prescribed in the Law of Moses. It is a central obligation of the Jewish faith tradition to celebrate this meal and to give thanks to God for his deliverance and protection.

In the description of the Passover meal found in today’s Gospel, however, Mark omits many elements of the Jewish Passover meal. Instead he describes only those elements he believes to be most essential to the Christian Eucharist: Jesus took bread, blessed the bread, broke the bread, and shared it with his disciples. Similar words and actions follow as Jesus shares the chalice with his disciples. This bread now shared is Jesus’ own body. Those who drink from the chalice are invited to share in a new covenant which will be sealed by Jesus’ own blood. Mark’s Eucharistic theology looks forward to the Kingdom of God that Jesus inaugurates.

The Gospel for today reminds us that the Eucharist is a memorial of Christ’s sacrifice on the cross. We believe that Jesus is truly present to us in the elements of bread and wine. Each time we celebrate this sacrament, we prepare for the Kingdom of God. This celebration, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, is the source and summit of the Christian life.

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Sunday Readings

First reading	Exodus 24:3-8
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 115:12-13,15-18
Second reading	Hebrews 9:11-15
Gospel	Mark 14:12-16,22-26

Mass Schedule @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekdays (English)	12:30pm & 6:30pm
Saturday (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)	7.00pm
	- Sacred Heart Devotion (Friday)	7.00pm
	- Divine Mercy (Tuesday)	5:45pm
	- Legion of Mary (Tuesdays)	7.30pm
	- Infant Jesus (Thursday)	5:45pm
	- Charismatic (Friday)	7.45pm
	- Divine Mercy (Saturday)	3.00pm
	- 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)	2.30pm
	KKIHS Youth Group (2nd & 4th Friday)	7.30pm
	Mass in Indonesian (1st Sunday)	3.30pm
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 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.

Parish Assembly @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

Date: 15 June 2018, Friday PH
Time: 11.00am – 4.00pm (Lunch and Tea provided)
Venue: Church/Parish Hall

THEME: This Little Light of Mine

It is undeniable that many of us serving in this church come from different parts of Singapore. Thus, our church wants to invite all parishioners to be part of this event. As the church believes that each of us carry a little light within ourselves for us to shine and be able to share this little light not only among our family & friends, but to share it with our community, as a church, along our journey. By being part of this event, the church will be able to discover our light and for us to be inspired to connect our light with others to shine forth. Please RSVP via email to ololpastoral@gmail.com or through your ministry leaders by **4 June 2018**.



2nd Collection This Weekend

2nd Collection taken during Masses this weekend will be for the poor of St Vincent de Paul Society.
Thank you for your kind donation.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)



Theme: "I am the Handmaid of the Lord"
We will be starting a new RCIA process on Tuesday 26 June 2018 at 7.30pm.
We welcome
- Non Catholics to find out more about our faith
- Baptised Catholics to be part of our team as a sponsor: - to journey together with the inquirers. If you are interested please register via email at ololsec@gmail.com or at the parish office.

Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

"It is only in eternity that we shall know the great mystery given to us in Holy Communion. One day we will know what God is doing for us in each Mass, and what sort of gift He is preparing through it for us.

Jesus answered her prayers telling her: "You are a living host, pleasing to the Heavenly Father" (Diary 1826). "She said: All the good that is in me is due to the Holy Communion. I owe everything to it. Holy Communion was the strength and support of St. Faustina in her every day life. The Lord told her: In the Host is the power; it will defend you always. (Diary 616)."

Come and pray with us on every Saturday at 3:00pm, the Hour of Mercy and Great Grace, in the main worship hall of the Church. Bring your prayer petitions!



Returned! – a testimony event by LANDINGS on 6 July 2018, Friday, 7.30pm at CANA The Catholic Centre on Waterloo Street. For every account of someone who has left the Catholic Church, there is an inspiring personal tale of another's return. Come check out these testimonies of faith. Or better yet, bring a friend or loved one who might benefit from these homecoming stories. We invite anyone interested either as a returning Catholic or as a welcoming participant. Please register for this event at atreturning@landings.org.sg or Facebook: Landings – Singapore.

