

## MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In recent months, floods, earthquakes and tsunami have struck Kerala in India, parts of Laos and Cambodia, Lombok and Sulawesi in Indonesia. The effects of these disasters have been devastating as hundreds and thousands of victims are still struggling to rebuild their homes and livelihoods.

Ongoing as well is one of the world's biggest refugee crisis in the State of Rakhine, which has forced over 930,000 refugees to flee to neighbouring countries to seek refuge from violence and persecution.

The Church in Singapore has always been active in responding to these humanitarian situations. Many of you have done so through Catholic organizations such as CHARIS and many of our affiliates.

This year, **CHARIS** invites you to be partners in our efforts to *Make Hope Happen* as we launch our annual appeal for the Humanitarian Aid Fund, which provides support to organizations undertaking disaster relief and humanitarian work. An appeal flyer and envelope is being distributed to all parishioners. I encourage you to support their efforts to build a better world with your generous contribution.

"Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the One who sent me." (Mk 0:37) Mother Teresa has also reminded us that "A life not lived for others is not a life."

Let us do our part to give hope and life to those who need a helping hand.  
May God bless you.

Devotedly yours in Christ,  
Most Rev William Goh  
Archbishop of Singapore

### 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 "CHARIS HAF" with your name and contact information to: CHARIS, #07-02 Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo Street, Singapore 187954. Please contact us at 6337-4119 or [info@charis-singapore.org](mailto:info@charis-singapore.org) for further information.

### Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

*"Let the weak, sinful soul have no fear to approach Me, even if it had more sins than there are grains of sand in the world". (Diary, 1059)*

Come and pray with us every Tuesday at 5:45pm (Divine Mercy in Tamil on Fridays at 5.45pm) and 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!

### Retreat for Dating Couples

Date & Time: 9 Nov 8pm - 11 Nov 1 pm Venue: Choice Retreat House, 47 Jurong West, St. 42  
Contribution: \$250.00. A weekend of prayerful reflection and meaningful discussion for dating couples as they discover and understand their relationship. By 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.

**Catholic Theological Institute of Singapore (CTIS)** welcomes applications for the Certificate in Theology programme for Semester 1, 2019. You may download a copy of our Prospectus 2019 from our website. Application forms are available at CTIS Office or you may download it from our website. Please join our Information Night on November 9 (Friday), 2018 at 8:00pm to know more about CTIS and the programmes we offer. Closing date for all applications is December 15 (Saturday), 2018. Contact us for more information. CTIS, 618 Upper Bukit Timah Road, #01-01 SFX Seminary, Singapore 678214. Telephone: 6902-8700, Email: [admin@ctis.sg](mailto:admin@ctis.sg), Website: [www.ctis.sg](http://www.ctis.sg).

## Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

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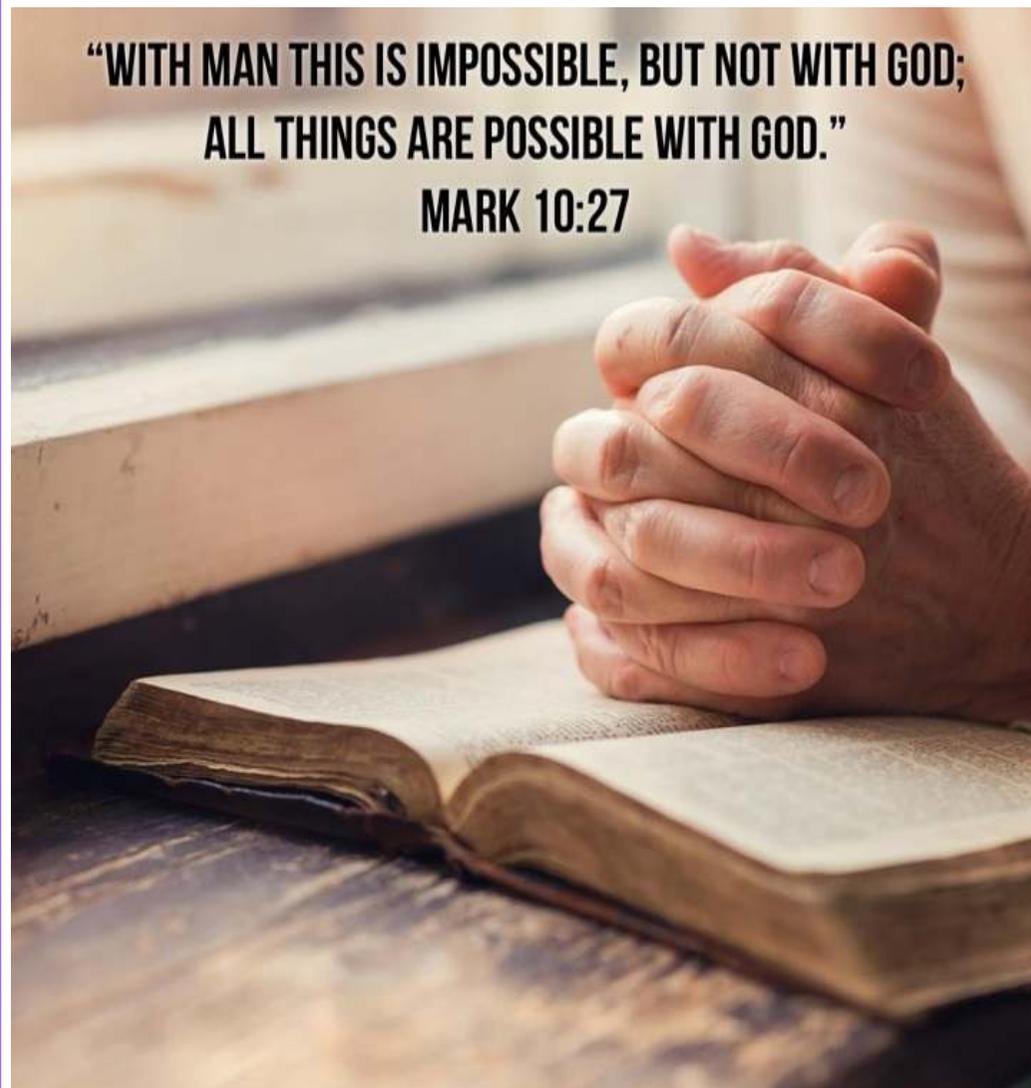
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28TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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**"WITH MAN THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE, BUT NOT WITH GOD;  
ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE WITH GOD."**

**MARK 10:27**





## Sunday Readings

First reading  
Responsorial Psalm  
Second reading  
Gospel

Wisdom 7:7-11  
Psalm 89:12-17  
Hebrews 4:12-13  
Mark 10:17-30

## Mass Schedule @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

Weekdays (English)	12:30pm and 6:30pm
Saturday (Sunset - English)	6:00pm and 7:30pm
Sunday (English)	7:30am, 11:30am and 1.00pm
Sunday (Tamil)	9:30am and 6:30pm
Public Holiday (English)	9:00am
Public Holiday (Tamil)	10:00am

## Parish Activities

<b>English</b>	- Our Lady of Lourdes Novena (Saturday)	5:15pm
	- Rosary Recitation (Weekdays)	11.55am
	Monday and Wednesday	5.55pm (Sunday @ 10.55am)
	- 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
<b>Tamil</b>	- Infant Jesus (Tuesday)	4:30pm
	- Divine Mercy (Friday)	5:45pm
	- OLPS Novena (Every Saturday)	8:30pm
	- Rosary and OLOL Devotion (Sunday)	8:30am
	- All Night Vigil (2nd Saturday)	9.30pm to 5.30am
<b>Indonesian</b>	- Karismatik Katolik Indonesia Holy Spirit (Thursday)	2.30pm
	- KKIHS Youth Group (2nd and 4th Friday)	7.30pm
	- Mass in Indonesian (1st Sunday)	3.30pm
<b>Filipino</b>	- 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 7pm on Friday** 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.

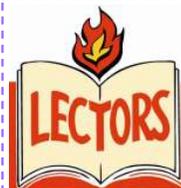
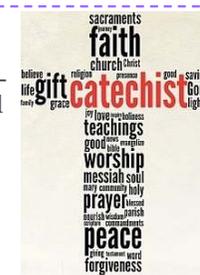
**Holy Communion for the Homebound** Register with the Parish Office.

*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 restoration of Our Lady of Lourdes parish will begin in April 2019. Cheque donations can be made in favour of 'Church of Our Lady of Lourdes' with 'Building Fund' written on the back. Please give generously!**

## Recruitment of Catechists

Catechesis is not just about sacramental preparation for Baptism, Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation; it is part of an initiation into the entire Christian life, which culminates with initiation for community and mission. (General Directory for Catechesis #67) The role of the catechist and facilitator then is as a 'steward of the mystery' (1 Cor 4:1), facilitating the candidate's encounter with Jesus and His Church as there is "only one Teacher, the Christ." (Mt 23:10). The catechist's goal always is to set hearts aflame for Christ. If you are interested to become a catechist, please contact Lucy Netto at 97876009 or email [lucynetto@gmail.com](mailto:lucynetto@gmail.com) on or before 31 October 2018.



## Call for Ministers of the Word/Lectors

We as a faith community have a sacred mission to proclaim the Word of God at Eucharist celebrations. Humbly accepting this ministry can deepen your own faith as you enrich the faith of others. Training will be provided for new lectors. If you would like to answer God's call to serve in this way please contact the Parish Office or email Helen Chandran at [helenrc24@yahoo.com](mailto:helenrc24@yahoo.com) or Lucy Netto at [lucynetto@gmail.com](mailto:lucynetto@gmail.com).

## Christian Life Program (CLP) - Couples for Christ @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

The CLP is an integrated course intended to lead the program participants into a renewed understanding of God's call to them as Christian couples or individuals. Topics covered will include areas such as basic truths of Christianity, living authentic and Spirit filled Christian life.

Details for the next session are as follows.

**Date: Friday, 19 October 2018 Time: 7:00pm - 10:30pm**

**Topic: The Christian Family**

**Venue: Room #3-5, Annex Building**

Light dinner will be served. For more information and registration, call Bro Jun Frias at 9388 4473 or Sis Rina Frias at 9338 4103, All over the age of 21 are welcome!



## Choir Recruitment

Always wanted to sing? Mystical Rose Choir which sings for the 11:30am Mass on Sunday, is looking to grow the number of members for their choir. All are welcome! Please contact either Romeo 9165 5958 or Alex 8622 7758.



## Church Cleaning

Date : Sunday, 21st October 2018  
Time : 2.30pm  
Church will be closed for cleaning from 2.30pm to 4.00pm  
All are welcome to help!



## GIFT

Next weekend being the 3rd weekend of the month, there will be a second collection to receive your monthly pledges and contributions for the GIFT (Giving in Faith & Thankfulness) campaign. Contributions to GIFT will help others encounter the love of Christ through numerous archdiocesan organisations and building projects of the archdiocese. More info is available at [gift.catholicfoundation.sg](http://gift.catholicfoundation.sg).



## SSVP Collections

The cash collected on the first Sunday of this month for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was \$3668.50. The amount given to FINS (friends in need) was \$6800.00. Thank you for your generous donation.