

Quieting the Soul

Step aside from the busyness of life to spend time in quiet prayer and reflection and to deepen your relationship with God. This is an individualized weekend retreat, guided by a trained spiritual director who will help you process your prayer and to discern God's voice. Date: Nov. 23 (Fri. 7pm) – Nov. 25 (Sun. 4pm) 2018 Venue: St. Patrick House (behind St Patrick's School) Contribution: \$250/person (single room) Registration: www.cenaclemission.com, For Enquiries: 9722-3148; WhatsApp 96415651; Email: cenaclemissionsingapore@gmail.com

Clarity's Youth Public Talk – Can We Tell You About OCD?

School, socializing, family, even leisure may all seem very daunting if somebody is struggling with OCD. In Singapore, OCD has been found to be the third most common mental condition, affecting about 3% of the population. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from our presenters Dr. Bhanu Gupta and Dr. Jackki Yim. Sat 17 Nov, 10am – 12pm at Agape Village L3. \$15 per pax. To register: <https://tinyurl.com/OCD17Nov18> or T: 67577990. Closing date 15 Nov.

LIVELOUD

Get ready to sing your praises, dance for joy and intimately encounter God through the gift of worship at the **LIVELOUD Concert** on 24th November, Saturday at ZEPP@Big Box. The non-profit concert is mainly for youth aged 13 – 30 but as we gather friends, families and communities all over Singapore, all are most welcomed to this celebration of our faith. Time : 6.00pm to 10.00pm. Catholic Expo : 3.30 to 5.30pm. Holy Mass: 6.00pm Organiser: CFC -Youth

In You, Death Has Lost Its Sting – Preparing For Death 16 Nov, Friday

Come listen to Fr. Edward Lim, OCD who will introduce the Christian understanding of death, and the means the Church makes available to the faithful in preparing for it, while Dr Ong Yew Jin will give the medical perspective on bodily death and explain the need for Advanced Care Planning. Register early as seats are limited! Time: 7.30pm to 9.30pm Venue: Agape Village (7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh S 319264) Register: 6801 7400 (10am–6pm, Mon–Fri)

Recruitment for Bethany East

The Bethany East Clergy Residence is seeking staff for a Temporary Cook paid position. If interested, please email your full resume to bethany.east@catholic.org.sg by 12 Nov 2018.

food for thought Jesus notices a poor widow's offering and commends her great sacrifice.

The context for today's Gospel continues to be mounting tension between Jesus and the Jewish authorities. Mark reports some of Jesus' teaching in the Temple area in today's reading and in the preceding verses not included in our Lectionary sequence. In the first part of today's Gospel, we hear Jesus warn the crowds not to follow the example of the scribes in seeking honor and attention from others. It is important to recall that Mark indicates that Jesus taught these things while in the vicinity of the Temple in Jerusalem. Mark is setting the stage for Jesus' passion.

Jesus then observes how Jewish pilgrims are making their contributions to the temple treasury. The Temple in Jerusalem was the center of Jewish worship in the time of Jesus. It was expected that observant Jews would make pilgrimages to the Temple to offer prayer and sacrifices. Pilgrims were also expected to make a financial contribution to the temple treasury.

As we would expect to be the case, Jesus observes that those who were rich contributed large sums to the treasury. Those with less means made smaller contributions. A similar situation exists in most of our parishes as well. Jesus calls attention, however, to a poor widow who makes the smallest of contributions—two coins of little value. Jesus upholds the poor widow's offering for his disciples' consideration, commending her because her small offering was an act of profound generosity, giving from her livelihood rather than her surplus.

To give from our livelihood is not only an act of generosity, it is also an act of trust in God. We can only give from our need if we trust that God will provide for us. Jesus himself demonstrates the ultimate act of generosity and trust in God as he gives his life for us on the cross.

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Sunday Readings

First reading	1 Kings 17:10-16
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 145:7-10
Second reading	Hebrews 9:24-28
Gospel	Mark 12:38-44

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

English	- Our Lady of Lourdes Novena (Saturday)	5:15pm
	- Rosary Recitation (Weekdays Monday and Wednesday)	11.55am 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
Tamil	- Infant Jesus (Tuesday)	4:30pm
	- Divine Mercy (Friday)	5:45pm
	- OLPS Novena (Every Saturday)	8:30pm
	- Rosary and LOL 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 and 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 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!

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, 16 November 2018 Time: 7:00pm - 10:30pm

Topics: Growing in the Spirit & The Life and Mission of CFC
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!



SSVP Collections

The cash collected on the first Sunday of this month for the Society of St. Vincent De Paul was \$3846.35. The amount given to FINS (friends in need) was \$6050.00. Thank you for your generous donation.

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.



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.

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 or Lucy Netto at lucynetto@gmail.com.



Church Cleaning

Date : Sunday, 18th November 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.



Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

"I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU." (Diary, 327).
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!