

Caritas Singapore Talks @ Agape Village – Celebrating the Golden Years

Hear from best-selling author, The Sunday Times' Invest Editor, Lorna Tan as she shares about CPF life. How have you lived your lives up till this point? How would you like to spend the rest of your years? In the second part of the talk, Sr Linda Lizada, RC will address some of these questions that come up as we go through the transition: questions about identity, relationships, meaning and fruitfulness of life.

DATE/TIME : 22 February (Friday), 7.30pm to 9.30pm

VENUE : Agape Village (7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh S 319264)

To register/for more info, email agapevillage@caritas-singapore.org or call 6801 7400 (10am–6pm, Mon–Fri).

ONE DAY serves to introduce the work of ONE to potential volunteers to be part of the New Evangelisation. The Office for the New Evangelisation (ONE) is seeking collaborators who are fired up to build the Kingdom of God. Register: www.one.org.sg/events Date: Saturday, 23 February Time: 10.00am-12.30pm Venue: St Michael's Room, Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre, 2 Highland Road, S(549102)

food for thought The fishermen (Simon, James, and John) leave their fishing boats and follow Jesus.

Last Sunday, we heard how Jesus was rejected in his hometown of Nazareth. In the verses that follow, Jesus travels to the town of Capernaum and begins his ministry of teaching and healing. While in Capernaum, Jesus cures a man possessed with a demon and heals Simon's mother-in-law. After spending some time there, Jesus prepares to preach in other places. The fact that Jesus had previously been in Simon's home and healed his mother-in-law suggests that this encounter is not the first between Jesus and Simon Peter. We can read today's Gospel, therefore, as a description of the developing relationship between Jesus and Simon Peter.

In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches from Simon's boat. Jesus turns to Simon and instructs him about where to lower the fishing nets. Simon and others have been fishing throughout the night and have not caught anything. Simon protests, claiming that such an effort would be futile. Simon ultimately obeys Jesus and lowers his nets into the deeper water as directed. Notice here that Peter calls Jesus by the title "master." He already recognizes Jesus as a person of authority. They catch so many fish that the nets begin to tear; Jesus' presence has created abundance out of scarcity, just as it did at the wedding feast at Cana, which we heard at Mass just a few weeks ago. Simon Peter becomes a follower of Jesus immediately. He calls Jesus "Lord"—the title given to Jesus after his Resurrection—and protests his worthiness to be in Jesus' presence. Today's Gospel, therefore, marks a turning point in the relationship between Jesus and Peter.

Two of Simon's partners are also named as witnesses to the event described in today's Gospel: Zebedee's sons, James and John. Yet Jesus' words are addressed only to Simon. Jesus gives Simon a new job, telling him that he will become a different kind of fisherman. No longer will he catch fish; instead he will catch people. In these words, we hear the beginning of the leadership role that Peter will have within the community of disciples. Peter was chosen for this role. His task will be to bring others to Jesus. Already he is doing so; the Gospel tells us that all the fishermen with Peter also left their nets and followed Jesus.

We continue to speak of Peter's leadership and influence in the Church today when we call the pope the "successor of Peter." We participate in the mission of the Church when we bring people to Christ through the example and positive influence of our lives.



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Sunday Readings

First reading Isaiah 6:1-2,3-8
 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 137:1-5,7-8
 Second reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
 Gospel Luke 5:1-11

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) 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

Tamil

- 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

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

- 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!



Fr. Michael Sitaram, Fr. Nithiya Sagayaraj, Fr. Paul Yeo and our visiting priests Fr Victor Emmanuel and Fr. Kommu Anthony, would like to wish everyone a happy and blessed feast of Our Lady of Lourdes!

Dear friends in Christ, if you wish to share your gift of talents to Proclaim, Lead and Sing! You are called by the Lord God to be HIS worthy Instrument! Come and join our team of **'SACRED HEART OF JESUS'** Devotion prayer, held on Fridays 7pm.
 Contact: Alice Anthony
 e-mail : aliceanthony@usa.net

Blessed Palms

The previous year's blessed palms will be burnt and used as blessed ashes on Ash Wednesday. If you wish to return the palms, we will have a collection bin in Church starting this weekend.

SSVP Collections

The cash collected on the first Sunday of this month for the Society of St. Vincent De Paul was \$4345.00 The amount given to fins (friends in need) was \$7190.00. Thank you for your generous donation.



Church Cleaning

Date : Sunday, 17th February 2019
 Time : 2.30pm
 Church will be closed for cleaning from 2.30pm to 4.00pm
 All are welcome to help! Registration is not required.



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.



Holy Hour

"Every Holy Hour we make so pleases the Heart of Jesus that it is recorded in Heaven and retold for all eternity!" St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta
Come and spend some time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday of the Month.
1st March 2019 @ 7pm AFTER 6.30pm Mass.



Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

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!