

Verbum Dei is conducting a Half-day Retreat for Married Couples.
Title: **"Becoming What We Receive"** Venue: 4 Sommerville Rd Date: Sunday, 31 Mar 19
Time: 3.15pm to 6.00pm. The retreat is specifically for married couples and the purpose is to give them the time and space to be quiet and pray with the Word of God.

Upcoming Parenting Events by Family Life Society

1. Career Guidance Skills for Parents

Give your child a head start with the right advice! Identify the strengths of your child and help them to choose a career that will help them thrive.

4 Mar 2019 (Mon) from 7.30 - 9.30pm. 55 Waterloo Street, Level 3. \$20/pax. Speaker: International Speaker Christian Chua, author of 7 books, creator of Career advisory tool.

Register now at: <https://christianchua.peatix.com>

2. The Virtues Project™

Want to learn how to UNLOCK the potential in your child? The Virtues Project™ might be right up your alley! This is an International program available in more than 100 countries. It is non-affiliated with any particular culture or faith. This is a 12-hour program (split to four sessions) that equips you to awaken the qualities of character that exist in your children. Learning the language of virtues, setting virtues-based boundaries and recognizing teachable moments will improve your relationship and bring out the best in your children/the children you work with. Ultimately, you unlock their potential and help them build authentic self-esteem!

3, 10, 17, 24 April 2019 (every Wed evening) from 7 - 10pm. 55 Waterloo Street, Level 3. \$150 per pax. Trainer: Clarissa Ho (Masters in Family Education). You will receive a certificate upon completion of this course. Register now at: <https://flsvirtues.peatix.com>

SHINE COMBINED TERTIARY CAMP

Calling ALL Diploma and ITE students, or those who will be entering, to SHINE 2019! Theme:

"The water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." - John

4:14 Date: 19-22 Mar (Tues—Fri) Venue: OYP, 2 Lor Low Koon. Cost: \$50. Registration info:

<http://oy.org.sg/shine2019/> or @ www.oy.org.sg



"We cannot keep ourselves shut up in parishes, in our communities, when so many people are waiting for the Gospel!"

Pope Francis

food for thought

Each tree is known by its yield.

The third and final section of Luke's Sermon on the Plain begins: And he told them a parable. There are actually four parables, three of which we read today. They are all about how to be a good disciple.

The blind cannot lead the blind. And a disciple cannot be a good disciple unless he or she has learned from the teacher. Everyone who is fully trained is like the teacher who knows how to cure the blind. Before you can be a good disciple and teach others you must take care of yourself. Do not try to take a speck out of your brother's eye until you have taken the board out of your own. Finally, only when you have purified yourself can you produce the good works that the teacher requires. Discipleship asks us to produce good deeds. But to produce them requires the integrity and purity of heart found in the teacher. When people see your good deeds they will know that this is because you have a good heart.



The final parable, which we do not read today, is about building on the solid foundation of rock and not on sand. This is the only way to face the difficulties a disciple will encounter and survive.

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3 MAR 2019

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday Readings

First reading	Ecclesiasticus 27:5-8
Responsorial Psalm	Psalm 91:2-3,13-16
Second reading	1 Corinthians 15:54-58
Gospel	Luke 6:39-45

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!

Lenten Information

Ash Wednesday 6th of March 2019

Ash Wednesday begins the season of Lent. **It is a day of fast and abstinence.**

Times of Masses: 12.30pm (English), 6.30pm (English) and 8pm (Tamil)

Blessing and distribution of ashes at all masses. Kindly leave your old palms in the baskets near the entrance of the church before the 3rd of March 2019.

During the Season of Lent, **Stations of the Cross** will take place on **Fridays at 12 noon** followed by Mass at 12.30pm and at **6pm** followed by Mass at 6.30pm. Please return the previous year's blessed palms by Sunday the 3rd of March 2019.

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.



Church Cleaning

Date : Sunday, 17th March 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.



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

Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

"I never reject a contrite heart (1485). Sooner would heaven and earth turn into nothingness than would My mercy not embrace a trusting soul." (1777).

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!

2019 Lent Reflection Booklets

The Office for the New Evangelisation has produced a booklet of reflections for the season of Lent in English, Mandarin and Tamil. The theme is "Walking by Faith in Communion". Please take a copy of the booklet for your household. It will also be made available online at: <http://bit.ly/one-lent-2019>

Labourers in the Vineyard Retreat

Dates: 16 to 20 May 2019 Venue: Majodi Retreat Centre, Johor, Malaysia Cost: SGD 200 (Includes Accommodation, Meals, Transport) Organised by: Office for the New Evangelisation and Gloria Patri Ministries. This retreat is open to Catholics above the age of 21. Come away and allow yourselves to be encountered by the Lord! Programme includes daily Eucharistic celebration, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, talks, praise & worship, and spiritual counselling. Retreat Master: Rev Fr Terence Pereira, Episcopal Vicar for the New Evangelisation. To register visit: www.one.org.sg/events