

## Charities Week 2019

The season of Lent is the time when the Church conducts its annual Archdiocesan fundraising campaign – Charities Week 2019. Your donation will provide much needed funding to support Caritas Singapore family to serve diverse and marginalised groups including low-income families, youths-at-risk, the incarcerated, people with physical disabilities, and also people with mental health problems. Please pick up an appeal envelope and give generously. It will enable our Catholic charities to further their cause and do more to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in need.” All Donations are eligible for 250% Tax Deduction.

**PIETA** is a support group for bereaved parents. We come together as bereaved parents - in prayer, in WORD and in faith. The session, run by bereaved parents, meets monthly to pray, reflect and break open the WORD OF GOD. We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to unite with us in faith. Our monthly session is on every 4th Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm to 9:00pm at Agape Village, Toa Payoh Lorong 8, and the next one would be held on Tue 28 May 2019. Our contact details are email: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com). Facebook: <https://facebook.com/PietaSingapore>

Broadway comes to town!!! **Cana** invites you to the presentation of the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles by Broadway actor, Bruce Kuhn. Bruce was in Singapore a few years ago and played to packed audiences - he's back with the same fervour, same passion for spreading the good news of Luke and Acts. We promise you will leave remembering the Scripture a little bit more than before. His performance is riveting, inspiring and unforgettable. Don't miss out - *The Gospel of Luke*: 13 June 8 pm at COTI and 15 June 2 pm at SMOTA  
*The Acts of the Apostles*: 14 June 8 pm at QOP and 15 June 8 pm at SMOTA.  
Tix \$15 - [www.canacatholiccentre.com](http://www.canacatholiccentre.com). Call 63384080/91768909

Entering university this year but unsure of where to meet fellow Catholic students? Well, come on down to this year's Kickstart, an overnight **Combined University Freshmen Gathering** on 23-24 June, where you'll definitely get the chance to do so! The Office for Young People invites students who are entering NUS, NTU, SMU, SIM, JCU, SUTD, SIT, Yale-NUS, or other local and overseas universities for a time of worship, fellowship, encounter and more!  
Sat 22 Jun 2019, 10am to Sun 23 Jun 2019, 6pm. Office for Young People, 2 Lorong Low Koon, SG 536449. Cost: \$10. So what are you waiting for? Take a leap of faith and Kickstart your university life by signing up at: <http://oyp.org.sg/kickstart2019>. Queries: [ryan.oyp@catholic.org.sg](mailto:ryan.oyp@catholic.org.sg)



*'Be fearless; speak out and do not keep silence...'* (Acts 18:9)

**Tell others about Jesus.**

## food for thought

*Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment: love one another.*

Today's Gospel again comes from the Gospel of John. Like last week, today we hear words spoken by Jesus before his death and Resurrection. Jesus is teaching at the Last Supper.

John's Gospel does not include an institution of the Eucharist narrative; instead, Jesus washes his disciples' feet. Immediately after, Jesus predicts his betrayal by Judas. Today's Gospel follows that prediction. It can be read as a continuing explanation of Jesus' act of washing his disciples' feet. It begins with the announcement that this is the moment when the Son of Man will be glorified. This theme continues throughout John's Passion. Jesus will be glorified in his death on the cross and in his Resurrection, and the disciples will glorify Jesus in the love they show.

John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another. This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: "See how they love one another." Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others.

## Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

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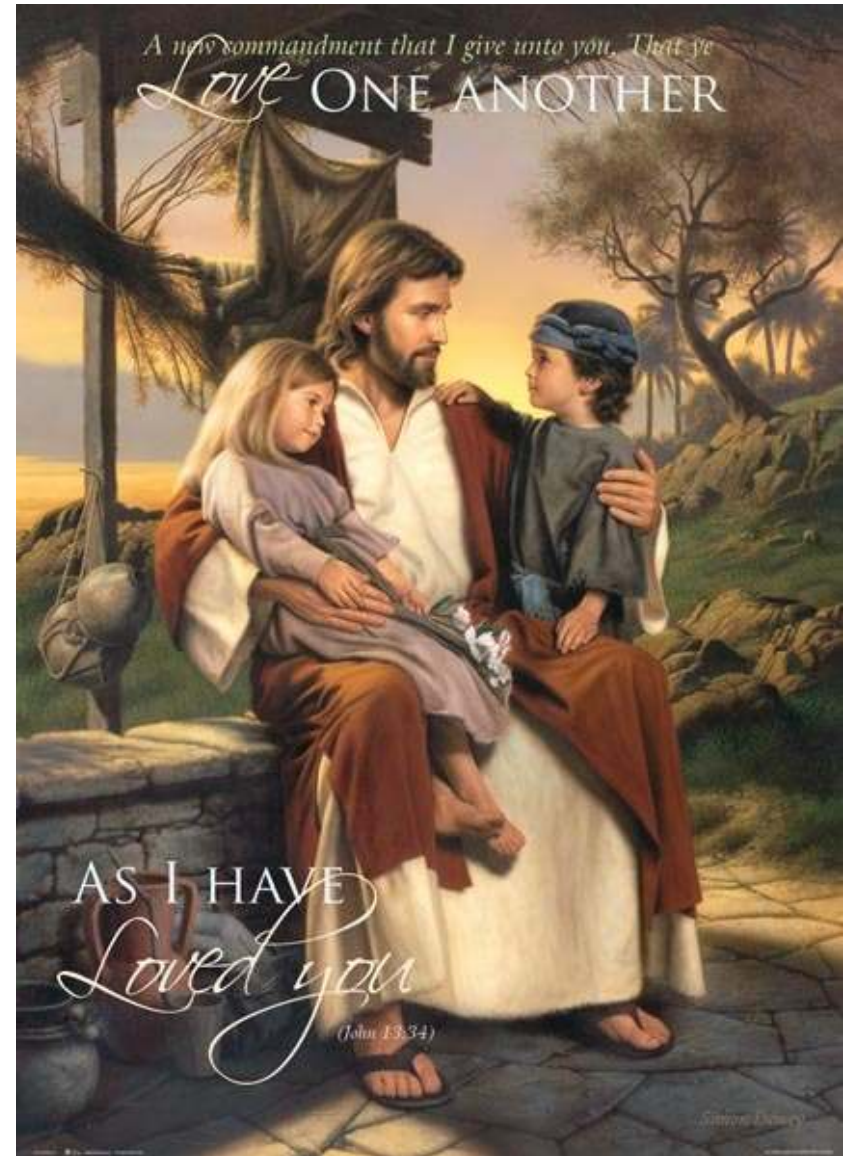
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19 MAY 2019

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## Sunday Readings

First reading Acts 14:21-27  
 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 144:8-13a  
 Second reading Apocalypse 21:1-5  
 Gospel John 13:31-33,34-35

## 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 9:00am (English) 10:00am (Tamil)

## 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 July 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!**

## The Ascension of the Lord Day of Obligation



Mass times as follows:  
 Wednesday 29th May 2019 Sunset Mass - 6.30pm (English)  
 - 8.00pm (Tamil)

Thursday 30th May 2019 - 12.30pm, 6:30pm & 8.00pm. All in English, no Tamil Mass.



## Public Holiday Mass Times

Date : Monday, 20th May 2019

Time : 9.00am in English 10.00am in Tamil

\*Parish office will be closed. \*Main Entrance Gates will close at 12 noon.

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

We will be starting a new RCIA process on Tuesday 25 June 2019 at 7.30pm. We welcome non Catholics to find out more about our faith and 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](mailto:ololsec@gmail.com) or at the parish office.

## GIFT

This weekend, there will be a second collection for the GIFT (Giving in Faith & Thankfulness) campaign to build a more vibrant, evangelistic and missionary Church. GIRO forms, cheques or cash can be sealed into GIFT envelopes and dropped into the collection bags that will go around. Spare GIFT envelopes are available in the church pews, and at the parish office. Please give generously for the vision of the archdiocese. More info is available at [gift.catholicfoundation.sg](http://gift.catholicfoundation.sg)

## Church Cleaning

Date : Sunday, 27th May 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.



## Holy Hour

*"Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, outside of Mass, should go together with worship in Mass so that our love may be complete!" - St. John Paul II*  
*"A Holy Hour of Adoration in our modern rat race is necessary for authentic prayer." - Archbishop Fulton Sheen*



**Come and spend some time with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament every First Friday of the Month.  
 7th June 2019 @ 7pm AFTER 6.30pm Mass.**

The **Rosary Apostolate** from the Church of Our Lady of Lourdes presents A **5Day/4Night Pilgrimage cum Retreat** to the following Churches in West Malaysia:

- Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Ipoh
  - Church of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Ipoh
- Retreat Theme: Journey into the Woods - Dialogue with God: in the light of the messages of the Marian Apparitions in Lourdes and Fatima.  
 Dates: Wed, 16th Oct - Sun, 20th Oct 2019.  
 Invited speakers: Rev Fr Victor Immanuel & Rev Fr Augustine Joseph (Fr AJ)  
 For further enquiries or reservation, please contact :  
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## Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

*"You opened an inexhaustible spring of mercy for us, giving us your dearest possession, the Blood and Water, that gushed forth from Your Heart", (Diary 1747).*

Join us in a Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Batam - Galang Island from 5-7 July 2019 (Friday to Sunday) at the shrine of Mother Mary! Registration will take place this and next weekend - after Saturday 6pm and Sunday 1130am & 1pm Masses only. Limited seats available!