

An Evening of Prayer with the Songs of Taizé

Organised by the Archdiocesan Catholic Council for Ecumenical Dialogue (ACCED) on 1 Aug 2019 (Thur), 7.45pm to 9.30pm, Cathedral of the Good Shepherd.

Theme: Be Content With What You Have (Heb 13:5). Open to all Christians and no prior registration required. Do bring along Christians of various denominations to attend. Light refreshments will be served after the prayer.

Talk : Is the Bible free from error? A Catholic View

The Church teaches that sacred scripture is of divine origin and thus free from error. Yet, from the story of the 7 days of creation, to claims which are challenged by historians, affirming such a statement in a naive manner would seem problematic. Come and learn how the Church handles its own sacred text and discover how to read the bible in a faithful manner. 24 July 2019 from 19:30-21:15. Catholic Centre 55 Waterloo Street, #02-01. To register: 97843682

Personal Moral Compass Course 2019 - 'Ethics of Love, Sex and Marriage' - Fr David Garcia, OP. The Personal Moral Compass Course is for all Catholics and all people of goodwill interested in formation in the foundations of Ethics and Moral Theology. It is a one-year systematic course in Moral Theology consisting of 6 individual modules. This course is organised by Caritas Singapore. Starting on 12 July 2019 for 7 Sessions. The course will be held weekly on Fridays, 7:30pm to 9:30pm, in Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo Street.

food for thought *Jesus resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem.*

Today's Gospel reading begins a long section unique to Luke's Gospel. Jesus begins his journey to Jerusalem, which will end with his ministry in Jerusalem. We read that Jesus' days for being "taken up" were fulfilled. The Greek word that Luke uses for "taken up" is the same word he uses to describe the Ascension. We also read that Jesus is determined to journey to Jerusalem. For Luke, Jesus ministry begins in Galilee and then is one long journey to Jerusalem. In Jerusalem he will meet his death but also enter into his glory. Only in Luke does Jesus then spend 40 days in Jerusalem instructing his disciples. It is in Jerusalem that his disciples wait after his Ascension to be sent the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. And it is from Jerusalem, in Luke's second volume, the Acts of the Apostles, that the Good News is spread to Rome and the ends of the earth.

Immediately Jesus is met with rejection, as a Samaritan village will not receive him because he is going to Jerusalem. There was animosity between Samaritans who worshiped on Mount Gerazim and Jews who worshiped in Jerusalem. Jesus was also rejected as he began his ministry in Galilee in Chapter 4. And he will be rejected for the last time when he reaches Jerusalem. James and John want to call down fire from heaven to destroy the people in the village, but Jesus rebukes them and moves on. There is often the temptation to use violence to achieve right. Jesus has come to break this temptation. He is aware that he must undergo violence himself before he can enter his glory.

The rest of today's reading is about the radical demands of discipleship. The three people who volunteer to become disciples on this journey show that they do not understand the demands Jesus will make of them. Neither care of self, care for the dead, nor care of one's family (as required by the Fourth Commandment) can come before the demands of discipleship. Jesus reminds the first volunteer, who would go wherever Jesus goes, that animals in the wild have more security than do Jesus and his followers. The second, who wants to bury a parent, is reminded that the demands of proclaiming the Kingdom of God take precedence. And the third, who wants to say farewell to his family, is reminded that once you put your hand to the plow you cannot look back or the furrow will be crooked. Such a person is not ready for the Kingdom of God.

Jesus seems harsh here, but he is only asking of his disciples what he asks of himself. Jesus' unconditional commitment to God's saving work will demand of him his life. He knows this, but the disciples do not understand. Jesus does not want anyone to rush into discipleship, because the demands of discipleship require everyone considering it to be aware of the cost, make Jesus and his mission central to his life, and then go forward without looking back.

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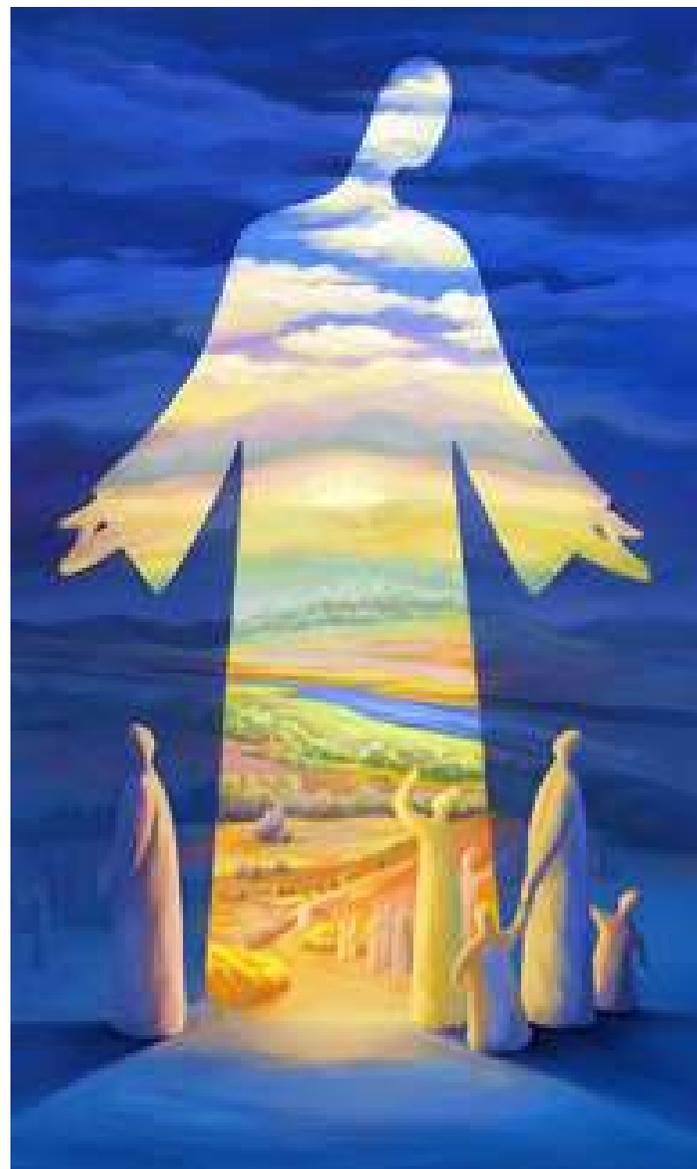
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Sunday Readings

First reading
1 Kings 19:16,19-21
Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 15:1-2,5,7-11
Second reading
Galatians 5:1,13-18
Gospel
Luke 9:51-62

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.

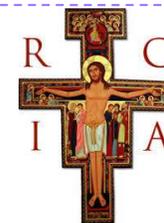
Holy Communion for the Homebound Register with the Parish Office.

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!

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

We started a new RCIA process on the 25 June 2019 and continue to welcome anyone who wishes to join. Every **Tuesday at 7.30pm**.
We welcome;
-Non Catholics to find out more about our faith
-Baptised Catholics to be part of our team as a sponsor and to journey together with the inquirers. If you are interested please register via email at ololsec@gmail.com or at the parish office.



Annual Priests' Retreat



The archdiocesan priests will have their annual retreat from 1 to 5 July (Monday to Friday) 2019. There will be **no Mass** during that period but there will be Communion Service instead at 12.30pm and 6.30pm. Please pray for our priests to have a blessed, enriching and spirit-filled retreat. For sick calls, funeral arrangement or other emergencies, please contact the Jesuit Community at 6466 0625, the Franciscan Community at 6567 3866 or the Redemptorist Community at 6255 2133.

No **Holy Hour** in July. Please check the bulletin for further updates.

Peter's Pence Collection

The collections taken at all Masses on the weekend of 29-30 June 2019 will be for Peter's Pence. Please give generously.

Charities Week 2019 - City District

Cathedral of the Good Shepherd	\$79,832
St. Joseph's Church (Victoria St)	\$231,750
Church of Sts Peter & Paul	\$15,350
Church of Our Lady of Lourdes	\$272,176
Church of the Sacred Heart	\$78,192
Church of St. Teresa	\$126,205
Church of St. Alphonsus	\$14,255
Church of St. Bernadette	\$355,896
Church of St. Michael	\$66,960

Thank you for your generous donations!

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
- St. Joseph's Church: Batu Gajah, Perak
- 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: Wednesday, 16th Oct 2019 – Sunday, 20th Oct 2019
Invited speakers: Rev Frs Victor Emmanuel & Augustine Joseph (Fr AJ). Registration forms and itinerary are available at the bulletin stands. For further enquiries or reservation, please contact: Vincent 9199 6714, vincent@pma.com.sg or Carol 9880 850, carol_nas2004@yahoo.com

Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

"My Mercy is greater than your sins and those of the entire world ... I let My Sacred Heart be pierced with a lance, thus opening wide the source of mercy for you. Come then, with trust to draw graces from this fountain (Diary, 1485) "Tell me all, My child, hide nothing from Me, because My loving Heart, the Heart of your Best Friend, is listening to you." (Diaries, 1486)
The registration for the Batam-Galang Divine Mercy pilgrimage 5-7 July 2019 is now closed. Thank you for your kind support for OLOL Church. Join our regular DM devotions as scheduled. All are welcome!