

Is the Doctrine of the Assumption of Mary Biblical?

What is the rationale for the readings chosen for the liturgy? And what has this doctrine got to do with our lives? Join us as we dive deeper into this Catholic mystery. As seating is limited, please RSVP at theology.sg@gmail.com/97843682 for seat reservation. Wed 21 Aug 2019. 7.30 - 9.15pm @ CANA The Catholic Centre (55 Waterloo Street #02-01)

Vacancies in Catholic Early Childhood Education

1) Executive Director (ED)

The ED reports to the Board of Directors of the Catholic Preschool (Education) Limited. The ED provides the leadership in the strategic management, efficient operation, effective corporate governance and proper accountability of all kindergartens and childcare centres within the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Singapore. The applicant should have a minimum of 10 years of working experience with at least 5 years of proven corporate leadership experience preferably in early childhood education. The applicant should hold a recognised bachelor's degree and preferably a postgraduate degree in early childhood education or related field.

2) Curriculum Director (CD)

The CD reports to the ED of Catholic Preschool (Education) Limited. The CD provides leadership in the development and evaluation of preschool programmes and the professional learning of all teachers at all kindergartens and childcare centres within the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Singapore. The applicant should have a minimum of 5 years of experience in preschool education. The applicant should hold a recognised bachelor's degree and preferably a Master's degree in preschool education that include studies on curriculum development. For more information on specific responsibilities and additional qualifications for the above positions, please visit our website via accs.sg/jobs. To apply for the above position, please email your curriculum vitae and expected annual salary package to preschool@catholic.org.sg. Applications for the above positions will close on Sunday, 25 August 2019.

The **Chancery** is looking for a *Projects Assistant (Contract)*. The job holder will assist the Project Manager with administrative and project requirements of the Chancery Office. Please refer to <https://www.catholic.sg/seek-opportunities/> for more details. Application deadline: 23 Aug 2019.

food for thought *You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come.*

Jesus' instructions on how to be ready for the coming judgment continue in the stories and sayings found in today's Gospel. We are not to be like the greedy rich man in last Sunday's Gospel who planned to store his great harvest in barns rather than share it. We are, rather, to share our wealth with those in need. The antidote for the anxiety brought on by the coming judgment is to relinquish our possessions and provide for the needs of others. Our treasure will be in heaven where it will not wear out or be destroyed.

The other major way to be ready for the coming judgment is to be watchful. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about watchfulness to begin making this point. We must be like servants waiting for the master's return from a wedding banquet, which, even now, can last for a few days in the Middle East. We must be watchful so that even if the master comes after midnight, we will be ready for him. This is what the coming of the Son of Man will be like.

Peter asks if this parable is meant for the apostles or for the large crowd that has gathered to listen to Jesus. Without answering Peter's question, Jesus responds with another parable about servants awaiting the return of their master. It begins with a question: "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time?" This parable adds to the theme of watchfulness; it explains how to wait and reminds us of the reward for the faithful follower at the heavenly banquet after the judgment. If it is addressed to the apostles, then it could also be addressed to leadership in the early Church. Either way, the parables reminds us that we should be found doing our jobs when the master arrives. If we are doing our jobs, our reward will be great. But if we relax, neglect our duties, and begin to act like the greedy rich man—eating, drinking, and making merry—we will not have a place in the kingdom. Watchfulness means living in such a consistently moral and obedient way that we are always ready to give an account to God of how we have lived.

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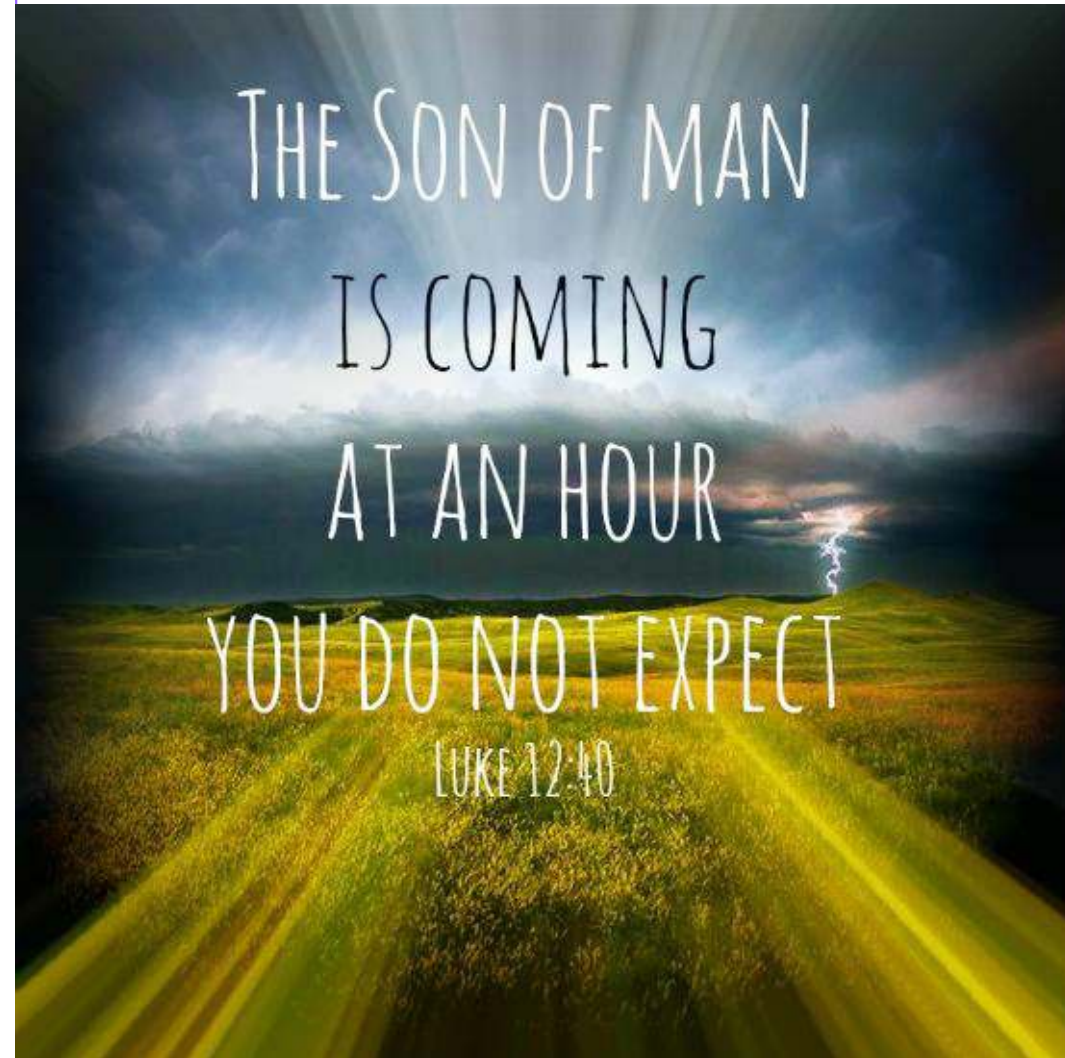
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19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday Readings

First reading Wisdom 18:6-9
 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 32:1,12,18-20,22
 Second reading Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19
 Gospel Luke 12:32-48

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 (Last Friday of the month) 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.

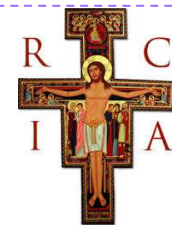
Holy Communion for the Homebound Register with the Parish Office.

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.



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Day of Obligation

Sunset Mass - Wednesday, 14th August 2019
 Time : 6:30pm (English).

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Thursday, 15th August 2019
 Time : 12:30pm & 6:30pm (English)
 & 8:00pm (Tamil)



Public Holiday Mass Times

Date : Monday, 12th of August 2019
 Time : 9.00am in English
 10.00am in Tamil

***Parish office will be closed.**

***Main Entrance Gates will be closed at 12 noon.**



SSVP Collections

The cash collected on the first Sunday of this month for the Society of St. Vincent De Paul was \$3905.55. The amount given to fins (friends in need) was \$8060.00. Thank you for your generous donation.

Church Cleaning

Date : Sunday, 18th August 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.



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

"He who knows how to forgive prepares for himself many graces from God. As often as I look upon the cross, so often will I forgive with all my heart." (Diary, 390)

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!

HISTORY OF THE SOCIETY OF JESUS (JESUITS)

Thursdays 22, 29 August and 5 and 19 September 2019. 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm.
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