

**A SPIRITUALITY FOR THE 2ND HALF OF LIFE -
PART 1: THE MIDLIFE TRANSITION**

This weekend deals with the experience of transition that moves us into midlife - a stage of personal growth and development. Work with materials on the Crisis of Limits and experience this life stage as a spiritual journey through input, personal reflection, prayer and sharing. Recommended age: 40 - 60 y.o. By Cenacle Sisters. 1 November 8 pm - 3 November 1 pm @ Montfort Centre, 622 Upper Bukit Timah Rd. Contribution: \$300. Register at www.cenaclemission.com

**LIVING UNTIL WE DIE -
THE SPIRITUAL JOURNEY OF THE LAST ACT OF THE 2ND HALF OF LIFE**

This retreat focuses on the invitations for life's final stage and attempts to respond to questions like: What is retirement for? How can I grow old well? What is the meaning of my life at this time? What fears am I facing as I ponder the end of my life? How do I open myself to the joy that this stage of life is offering me? What is the intimacy of old age? What provision do I need for the onward journey? Recommended age: 60 years and above. By Sr Linda Lizada, rc. 22 November 8 pm - 24 November 1 pm @ Montfort Centre, 622 Upper Bukit Timah Rd. Contribution: \$300. Please register at www.cenaclemission.com

Choice Weekend

It takes that 1 weekend to inspire you for the rest of your life. Come away for a Choice Weekend - it is by the choices we make that we define what our life is all about. 29 Nov - 01 Dec 2019 (Friday evening to Sunday evening) @ Choice Retreat House, 47 Jurong West Street 42, Singapore 649368 Enquiries: Celia (9876 3214) Register & Info: http://www.choice.org.sg/?page_id=8

THE CHANCERY ARCHIVES + CANA invite you to - OF MARTYRS, MIGRANTS & MYSTERIES - have you ever been curious about your Catholic ancestors who left their homeland and came here to plant roots in the settlements of Mandai, Aukang and elsewhere? Join us for a thrilling journey with CYPRIAN LIM as he unravels his ancestral roots where ordinary heroes fight for their faith and home is no less than the TEOCHEW CATHOLIC VILLAGE OF BETHLEHEM. Date: Saturday 26 Oct 2019 @ 618 Upper Bukit Timah Road, Time 10 am. Registration canaevents2019@gmail.com or call 91768909 or <https://tinyurl.com/y3ehuukj>

ADVOCATA NOSTRA - Praying Anew With Mary. In celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Church of Sts Peter + Paul, we invite you to two evenings of prayer and songs in honour of Our Lady presented by Fr Derrick Yap OFM and Fr Edward Lim OCD; and centering on the four Marian dogmas. Dates: 1 and 2 November 2019, 7.45 pm. Church of Sts Peter + Paul. Contribution \$6 per evening - canaevents2019@gmail.com

food for thought *Jesus tells the parable of the proud Pharisee who prayed from his self-importance and the tax collector who prayed humbly.*

The second parable that Jesus tells in Luke 18 addresses attitude in prayer. In contrasting the prayer of the Pharisee with the prayer of the tax collector, Jesus teaches his disciples to pray in humility before God. Jesus again surprises his listeners by showing the tax collector as the example of faith, rather than the Pharisee. Remember that Pharisees were members of a sect of Judaism active in Jesus' time. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for Jewish piety. If anyone would be a model for prayer, a Pharisee was a likely candidate. In contrast, Jesus offers the tax collector as a model for prayer. Tax collectors were collaborators with the Roman authorities in a system that allowed the tax collectors to line their own pockets by charging in excess of the defined taxes. Yet, in this parable, Jesus offers the humility of the tax collector as a model for the prayer of a disciple. The parable reminds us that when we pray, we must remember our need for God in our lives. If we are too full of ourselves, there is too little room for God's grace to work in us.

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27 OCT 2019

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday Readings

First reading Ecclesiasticus 35:12-14, 16-19
 Responsorial Psalm Psalm 33:2-3,17-19,23
 Second reading 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18
 Gospel Luke 18:9-14

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 soon. Cheque donations can be made in favour of 'Church of Our Lady of Lourdes' with 'Building Fund' written on the back. Please give generously!

All Saints' Day Day of Obligation



Sunset Mass - Thursday, 31st October 2019
 Time : 6:30pm (English)
 All Saints' Day - Friday, 1st November 2019
 Time : 12:30pm & 6:30pm (English)
 & 8:00pm (Tamil)
 All Souls Day (Not a Day of Obligation) - Saturday, 2nd November 2019 @ 8.30pm Mass in Tamil



Public Holiday Mass Times
 Date : Monday, 28 October 2019
 Time : 9.00am in English
 10.00am in Tamil
***Parish office will be closed.**
***Main Entrance Gates will be closed at 12 noon.**

Recruitment of Lectors

If you have a desire to give a voice to the written words of Scripture, to participate faithfully in the celebration of the Eucharist and to sincerely live the Gospel message in your life, we welcome you to join as a Lector. Contact us at helenrc24@yahoo.com or lucynetto@gmail.com

Is God calling you to be a Catechist?

Would you like to see a more Vibrant, Evangelising and Missionary Church with Families who Pray? Be a Catechist – **YOU** can make a difference.
 Email lucynetto@gmail.com with your queries.

Holy Hour

No Holy Hour on the 1st November 2019. Please check the bulletin for updates.

Lourdes Experience 2019

Saturday 7 December from 2pm. For those interested, please collect tickets from the Parish Office from 2 – 3 Nov weekend onwards. Each adult is entitled to 2 tickets and distributed on a first come, first served basis. Due to limited tickets, parish office will not entertain any reservations. The tickets are free. For more information, please check the church bulletin board at the exit gate. www.orderofmaltasingapore.org or <https://www.facebook.com/events/1023515518040439>.

Divine Mercy @ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes

The Lord told this: "... it pains Me very much when religious souls receive the Sacrament of Love merely out of habit, as if they did not distinguish this food. I find neither faith nor love in their hearts. I go to such souls with great reluctance. It would be better if they did not receive Me". (Diary, 1288).

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!

WALKING TOGETHER 2019

The Caritas Singapore Agape Fund WALKING TOGETHER is a leisurely 3km walk, followed by an indoor picnic with music. All participating walkers will be contacted via email to collect their exclusive walker packs which include a dri-fit shirt and other specially-curated items. Saturday 23 November, 8am to 12pm. Only one child (below 12) walks for free if accompanied by a paying adult. Register: bit.ly Email: pamela@caritas-singapore.org or call 6337 6197, 9271 3335