

Road S549102. Course Fees: \$120 (\$100 if paid by 6 Jul '18). For more information and registration, please refer to <https://goo.gl/forms/gjDhir2bocPlrIL53> or contact 62800354 (9am to 1pm) email: aba_secretariat@catholic.org.sg

WATCHMEN RETREAT '18 - A 4 days 3 nights stay-in retreat open to Catholics above the age of 21. The Watchmen Retreat is about being on watch until the Lord returns, and being alert to the dangers to your spiritual life. When: 09 - 12 Aug '18. Where: Majodi Retreat Centre, Johor, Malaysia. Costs: S\$160 (Includes Transport, Accommodation, Meals) Retreat Master: Rev Fr Terence Pereira. Organised by: Office for the New Evangelisation. For more information and to register: www.one.org.sg/events

CARITAS SINGAPORE – SOCIAL MISSION CONFERENCE 2018 This will be held on 21 Jul '18 (Sat) at the Catholic Junior College (Performing Arts Centre). The theme of the conference is "Whole of Me, All of Us, One in Christ". This conference aims to look at the social teaching of integral human development

- where the whole person is developed (i.e. physical, emotional, cognitive and spiritual) and all persons are included in the development of our society. The keynote speaker is His Eminence, Peter Kodwo Appiah Cardinal Turkson, Prefect of the Vatican Dicastery for the Promotion of Integral Human Development.

PERSONAL MORAL COMPASS COURSE 2018 - Module 4: Ethics of Love, Sex and Marriage (7 sessions, starts on 12 Jul '18) by Rev 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-long systematic course in Moral Theology consisting of 6 individual modules. This course is organized under Caritas Singapore. This workshop will be held weekly on Thursdays, 7.30pm - 9.30pm, in Agape Village, 7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh. For more information and registration, please refer to the Caritas Singapore website: www.caritas-singapore.org or email to formation@caritas-singapore.org



READINGS: Sunday Missal (Year B) Pg 734
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.
READINGS FOR THE WEEK: MON 11 June - SAT 16 June 2018
MON: ACTS 11:21B-26; 12:1-3, MT 5:1-12 **TUE:** 1 KGS 17:7-16, MT 5:13-16 **WED:** 1 KGS 18:20-39, MT 5:17-19 **THU:** 1 KGS 18:41-46, MT 5:20-26 **FRI:** 1 KGS 19:9A, 11-16, MT 5:27-32 **SAT:** 1 KGS 19:19-21, MT 5:33-37

Sunday begins the Tenth Week in Ordinary Time, when Jesus compares our faith to the mustard seed. Our faith, like that tiny seed, can grow large and put forth large branches touching those around us.

Monday is the Memorial of St. Barnabas, the Apostle. Wednesday is the Memorial of Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church.

During the week, we begin a three week period of looking at the Books of Kings. Elijah follows the Lord's direction and changes the hearts of many. The week ends as Elijah calls Elisha into service for the Lord.

This week we begin reading the Gospel According to Matthew, starting with the Sermon on the Mount. Jesus is the new Moses, and offers us a new and radical teaching. It begins by his telling a small group of followers that they are blessed - not because they have their acts together, but because they are spiritually poor, meek, those desiring justice, the merciful, the clean of heart, the peacemakers and the persecuted. Salt and light explain who they are as disciples. They are to obey the law and prophets which Jesus came to fulfill. Whereas the law forbade killing, Jesus calls his disciples to be reconcilers. The law forbade adultery, but Jesus warns about lust and whatever is an occasion for sinning. The law forbade taking false oaths, but Jesus calls his disciples to a deeper fidelity and integrity.

Sunday is the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time, when Jesus compares our faith to the mustard seed. Our faith, like that tiny seed, can grow large and put forth large branches, having an effect on those who we may not even know we have touched.

Daily Prayer This Week

Having celebrated God's love for us through the Eucharist on Sunday, we are ready to enter this week to explore the depth of that love and the powerful call each of us is given to love one another. The Sermon on the Mount can help us be contemplatives in action this week. The Beatitudes are not eight new commandments. Rather, Jesus saw those following him and saw their weakness and their need, their goodness and their desire, even the cost they pay to follow him. He looked at them and called them "Blessed."

Let us all begin this week letting Jesus look at us and call us blessed. Each morning we can practice choosing to focus our attention on some way we are spiritually poor or desiring justice, some way we are merciful or a peace maker, some way we might be experiencing the cost of being a believer, and simply asking our Lord to convince us of our blessedness there. It is likely that each of us, every day, can be attentive to some aspect of our daily lives, some part of our relationships or responsibilities, that place us right there in a place for Jesus to tell us that we will be comforted, satisfied, blessed

Sunset Mass	: 5.30pm
Rosary	: 4.30pm (Saturday)
Sunday Masses	: 8.30am (Mandarin), 11.00am (English), 2.00pm (Cantonese), 4.00pm (English)
Weekday Masses	: 7.20am and 5.30pm
Intercessory Prayer	: 7.15pm (English, Thursday)
Infant Jesus Devotion	: 5.30pm (Thursday, followed by Mass)
Divine Mercy Devotion	: 12.30pm (Sunday Mandarin)
Sion Adorers - Holy Hour	: 7.45pm - 8.45pm (Saturday)
Hour of Mercy	: 3.00pm daily
Adoration Chapel	: 8.00am - 9.00pm (Mon to Sat), 8.00am - 7.00pm(Sun)
Secretariat's Operating Hours	: Mon - Fri: 9.30am - 9.30pm, Sat: 9.30am - 5.30pm, Sun: 9.30am - 5.00pm; Lunch hours: 1.00pm - 2.00pm. Closed on Public Holidays.
Columbarium Opening Hours	: Mon - Sun: 7.00am - 7.00pm.
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be administered from 5.00pm - 5.20pm on weekdays and Saturday at the confessionals at the baptistery (back of the church). On Sunday, it will be available 30 minutes before each mass.	
Parish Priest: Rev Fr EDWARD LIM, OCD, Asst Parish Priest: Rev Fr THOMAS LIM OCD, Priests in Residence: Rev Fr TOM CURRAN, OCD, Rev Fr GREGORY HON, OCD and Rev Fr JOSEPH KOH, OCD, General-Delegate: Rev Fr JOHN CHUA OCD, Parish Secretary: Ms Martha Loh, Parish Clerk: Ms Jannie Lui, Liturgical Co-ordinator: Alex Wong, alexdominic@gmail.com	
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(i) Church of Sts Peter & Paul - for contributions/donations for on-going maintenance of our Church or parish projects and Mass offerings; (ii) Carmelite Fathers - for contributions/donations to SPP Friars Community, Friars Formation; (iii) Soc of St Vincent de Paul (Conf St Peter) - for donations to the Society of St Vincent de Paul for the poor and needy.	

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beyond our imagining.

Some day this week, each of us will have the opportunity to be the salt that makes relationships, faithful living, have its flavour. We will have our chances to be light in the midst of the darkness that crosses our paths. We can ask Jesus those days - whether in the morning, or in brief background moments during the day - to have us not lose our flavor or to cover our light. And, all of us will face the greater responsibility of a disciple of Jesus, to avoid anger and find the path to reconciliation, to turn from lust and greed and to love genuinely and honestly.

Taken from the "Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer" on the Creighton University's Online Ministries web site: <http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html>. Used with permission.

Reflection – Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, 9 June 2018.

The Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary celebrates the interior life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The gospel reminds us of both the great joy and sorrow that comes with the territory of being a Mom. I have been experiencing my own internal struggles as I am in the throes of the joy/sorrow thing as I watch my first born graduate from high school. Trying to find meaning in all of the emotions I am feeling has been a challenge, but today's gospel has helped me put a couple of things in perspective.

Love requires acceptance and openness, not always understanding. - In today's gospel, Jesus was breaking new ground with his parents. He did this because they needed to understand who he was at a deeper level. It was hard for them to see him in a role that wasn't familiar to them. Who was this brilliant child who was both asking and answering questions of the most learned in their community?

Being a parent isn't so much about letting your children go as much as it is being open to who and what they will become. I am continually amazed at how hard this can sometimes be. I think it's because we can't fathom a different, changed version of our child. Sometimes we just don't get it, we can't understand. Mary and

Joseph didn't understand what Jesus was saying to them, but Mary (as always appropriate) pondered all these things in her heart. I am sure she wasn't super pleased with what Jesus had done, she had to be scared to death, but she continued to work on understanding and loving him.

I think of all of the many phases of my life, of the things I have done that have both created joy and disappointment for my own mother and I am struck by how consistent her love and devotion has been. I am sure she didn't always understand me or my choices, but she never faltered in her love and support. This is what God wants for our relationship. He wants us to be open, to stick with it, to love even when things don't make sense.

Searching isn't about answers, but the journey - Mary and Joseph searched three days for Jesus, and on the third day found him alive and well. But they didn't find him in the expected places -- the safe confines of his extended family or the familiar company of the pilgrims' caravan. After three days, Mary and Joseph found Jesus in the Temple at Jerusalem having spirited discussions with the teachers of the day. This was certainly unexpected and probably the beginning of seeing Jesus in a whole new light.

Watching my son search for his place in high school was hard for me as I thought I knew exactly where he should land. I had picked out the friend group I wanted him to be in, the activities I felt he should participate in, and the girls he should ask to the dances. And yet, even though his choices were different than mine where he landed helped me see him as he is, not as I thought he should be. And this is why God wants us to search for him in our daily lives. Searching for him helps create meaning for us. It enriches our relationship. Finding him in the unexpected creates a richer understanding of who he is and his love for us.

Let us remember to love and search as Mary did. Her example serves as a reminder of what compassionate love can do.

PARISH NEWS

SPP FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS 2018 - FEAST DAY TRIDUUM: *The Cost of Discipleship*. Day 1: 28 Jun '18 (Thu), 7.00pm. **CHASTITY – “One Heart For One Lord”** Celebrant: Rev Fr. Francis Vijayan, CSSR. **Day 2:** 29 Jun '18 (Fri), 7.00pm **POVERTY – “Giving All For The Lord And His Kingdom”**. Celebrant: Rev Fr. John-Paul Tan, OFM, JCL. **Day 3:** 30 Jun '18 (Sat), 5.30pm. **OBEDIENCE – “Thy Will Be Done”**. Celebrant: Rev Fr. Gregory Tan, SJ. **FEAST DAY MASS - 1 Jul '18 (Sun), 11.00am.** Celebrant: Archbishop William Goh, D.D., S.T.L.

SPP FEAST DAY CARNIVAL - Date: 1 Jul '18 (Sun). **Time:** 10.00am - 6.00pm. **Venue:** Church of SPP. Join us for a day of festivities, food and fun! In celebration of our SPP feast day, there will be a free buffet lunch after the 11.00am mass and performances by our very own SPP talents. Explore our food stalls, flea market and free game stalls throughout the day. Highlights include a dunking machine where you can vote to decide who gets dunked! In addition, we are calling all superheroes! Sign up for The SPP Superhero Battle to reveal your super powers. Refer to the carnival flyer for more details.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS - Registration is now open! Important dates. **Date:** 18 Aug '18 (Sat) at 5.30pm. **Classes:** 27/7 (Fri), 10/8 (Fri), 17/8 (Fri) at 7.30pm. **Rehearsal:** 12 Aug '18 (Sun) at 12.30pm **Attendance for all sessions is compulsory.** Registration forms may be obtained from the Parish Office. Please note that the following supporting documents are required upon registration: Baptism Certificate, First Holy Communion Certificate and Godparent's Confirmation Certificate

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS – Date: 18 Aug '18 (Sat) at 5.30pm. **Classes on Fridays:** 27 Jul '18, 10 Aug '18, 17 Aug '18. **Rehearsal:** 12 Aug '18 (Sun) at 12:30pm. **Attendance for all sessions is compulsory.** Registration forms may be obtained from the Parish Office. **Closing date:** 1 Jul '18. Please note that the following

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RCIA (CANTONESE) 2018/19 - commences on Fri, 6 Jul '18, every Friday from 7.45pm to 9.30pm at Meeting Room 8 (Level 2, Parish Building). For further enquiries, please contact 63372585 (Parish Office) / 96717083 (David).

MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED Next Mass dedicated to the souls of the faithful departed whose remains are placed in the columbarium in our church, and for their family members is celebrated on Friday, 22 Jun '18 at 7.20am and 5.30pm.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

RETURNED! – a testimony event by LANDINGS on 6 Jul '18 (Fri), 7.30pm at CANA The Catholic Centre on Waterloo Street. For every account of someone who has left the Catholic Church, there is an inspiring personal tale of another's return. Come check out these testimonies of faith. Or better yet, bring a friend or loved one who might benefit from these homecoming stories. We invite anyone interested either as a returning Catholic or as a welcoming participant. Please register for this event at returning@landings.org.sg or Facebook: Landings - Singapore.

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. **Date:** 29 Jun - 01 Jul 2018 (Friday evening to Sunday evening). **Venue:** Choice Retreat House, 47 Jurong West Street 42, Singapore 649368. **Enquiries:** Hillary (9790 0537) or We Ling (8201 7072). **Register & Info:** http://www.choice.org.sg/?page_id=8

ARCHDIOCESAN BIBLICAL APOSTOLATE (ABA) - a new 16-session Bible course on *SALVATION HISTORY* by Fr. Ferdinand Purnomo, OCD, from 10 Jul '18 to 13 Nov '18 (no classes on 28 Aug, 4 Sep and 6 Nov), Tuesday mornings from 9.30am to 11.30am at CAEC Building, 2 Highland