

El Synagogue), Ms Suhailah (Muis) and Sr Maria Lau, IJ (ACCIRD) will share about the meaning and significance of birth and religious initiation into their respective religions as well as the attendant rituals, rites and customs. Register name, parish/organisation and contact number by 9 Apr at gerald.accird@catholic.org.sg

LABOURERS IN THE VINEYARD RETREAT - 25 - 29 May '18, at Majodi Retreat Centre, Johor, Malaysia. Cost: S\$200.00 (Includes Accommodation, Meals, Transport). Organised by Office for the New Evangelisation. This is a 5 days 4 nights stay-in retreat open to Catholics above the age of 21. Come away and allow yourselves to be encountered by the Lord! Programme includes daily Eucharistic celebration, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, talks, praise & worship, and spiritual counselling.

RETROUVAILLE – A Lifeline for Troubled & Hurting Marriages. If you are serious about

making your marriage work, this program could be worthwhile for you. Weekend date: 27 - 29 Apr '18. For confidential enquiry, Tel: 6522 8750. Online registration: www.helpourmarriage.sg

PERSONAL MORAL COMPASS COURSE 2018 - Module 3 'Christian Morality' 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. Module 3 - "Christian Morality" starts on 19 April 2018 for 6 sessions. This workshop will be held weekly on Thursdays, 7:30pm to 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

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. Closed on Public Holidays.
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	
Church Donations - Please make your cheque payable to:	
(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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READINGS: Sunday Missal (Year B) Pg 663
RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
READINGS FOR THE WEEK: MON 9 April - SAT 14 April 2018
MON: Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord **TUE:** ACTS 4:32-37, JN 3:7B-15 **WED:** ACTS 5:17-26, JN 3:16-21 **THU:** ACTS 5:27-33, JN 3:31-36 **FRI:** ACTS 5:34-42, JN 6:1-15 **SAT:** ACTS 6:1-7, JN 6:16-21

URBI ET ORBI MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS Easter 2018

Dear brothers and sisters, Happy Easter!

Jesus is risen from the dead!

This message resounds in the Church the world over, along with the singing of the Alleluia: Jesus is Lord; the Father has raised him and he lives forever in our midst.

Jesus had foretold his death and resurrection using the image of the grain of wheat. He said: "Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit" (Jn 12:24). And this is precisely what happened: Jesus, the grain of wheat sowed by God in the furrows of the world. He remained two days in the tomb; but his death contained God's love in all its power, released and made manifest on the third day, the day we celebrate today: the Easter of Christ the Lord.

We Christians believe and know that Christ's resurrection is the true hope of the world, the hope that does not disappoint. It is the power of the grain of wheat, the power of that love which humbles itself and gives itself to the very end, and thus truly renews the world.

This power continues to bear fruit today in the furrows of our history, marked by so many acts of injustice and violence. It bears fruits of hope and dignity where there are deprivation and exclusion, hunger and unemployment, where there are migrants and refugees (so often rejected by today's culture of waste), and victims of the drug trade, human trafficking and contemporary forms of slavery.

Today we implore fruits of peace upon the entire world, beginning with the beloved and long-suffering land of Syria, whose people are worn down by an apparently endless war. This Easter, may the light of the risen Christ illumine the consciences of all political and military leaders, so that a swift end may be brought to the carnage in course, that humanitarian law may be respected and that provisions be made to facilitate access to the aid so urgently needed by our brothers and sisters, while also ensuring fitting conditions for the return of the displaced.

We beseech fruits of reconciliation for the Holy Land, also experiencing in these days the wounds of ongoing conflict that do not spare the defenceless, for Yemen and for the entire Middle East, so that dialogue and mutual respect may prevail over division and violence. May our brothers and sisters in Christ, who not infrequently put up with injustices and persecution, be radiant

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witnesses of the risen Lord and of the victory of good over evil.

We invoke on this day fruits of hope for those who yearn for a more dignified life, above all in those areas of the African continent deeply affected by hunger, endemic conflicts and terrorism. May the peace of the risen Lord heal wounds in South Sudan and open hearts to dialogue and mutual understanding. Let us not forget the victims of that conflict, especially the children! May there be no lack of solidarity with all those forced to abandon leave their native lands and lacking the bare essentials for living.

We implore fruits of dialogue for the Korean peninsula, that the discussions under way may advance harmony and peace within the region. May those who are directly responsible act with wisdom and discernment to promote the good of the Korean people and to build relationships of trust within the international community.

We also beseech fruits of peace for Ukraine, that the steps taken to favour harmony may be consolidated, and facilitated by the humanitarian initiatives needed by its people.

We also invoke fruits of consolation for the Venezuelan people, who, as their bishops have written, are living in a kind of “foreign land” within their own country. May that nation, by the power of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, find a just, peaceful and humane way to surmount quickly the political and humanitarian crises that grip it. May welcome and assistance not be wanting to its sons and daughters forced to abandon their homeland.

May the risen Christ bring fruits of new life to those children, who as a result of wars and hunger, grow up without hope, lacking education and health care; and to those elderly persons who are cast off by a selfish culture that ostracizes those who are not “productive”.

We also implore fruits of wisdom for those who have political responsibilities in our world, that they may always respect human dignity, devote themselves actively to the pursuit of the common good, and ensure the development and security of their own citizens.

Dear brothers and sisters,

The words heard by the women at the tomb are also addressed to us: “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen” (Lk 24:5-6). Death, solitude and fear are not the last word. There is a word that transcends them, a word that only God can speak: it is the word of the resurrection (cf. John Paul II, Conclusion of the Way of the Cross, 18 April 2003). By the power of God’s love, it “dispels wickedness, washes faults away, restores innocence to the fallen, and joy to mourners, drives out hatred, fosters concord and brings down the mighty” (Easter Proclamation).

Happy Easter to all!

*Central loggia of the Vatican Basilica
Easter, 1 April 2018*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Source: https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/urbi/documents/papa-francesco_20180401_urbi-et-orbi-pasqua.html

Celebrating the Easter Season

Easter is a seven week season of joy and grace. Starting with the Triduum in Holy Week and ending with Pentecost Sunday, this 50 day season has been called “the radiant center of the liturgical year.” We keep celebrating so that we might continue to enter into the meaning of the resurrection and to deepen the way it touches our daily lives.

After Easter Week’s resurrection stories, the first reading for the rest of this long and glorious season is from the Acts of the Apostles. Every day we see how Jesus’ followers reacted to his death, the challenges to their witness and the unexpected courage

that comes to them. John’s Gospel is used for the entire Easter Season, the one time of year we can enter into his poetic and layered stories on a daily basis.

Easter only begins with Easter Sunday. These daily prayers and meditations come

Source: <http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/e-celebratingeaster.html>

PARISH NEWS

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION FOR ADULTS - Registration is now open for Adults. Please obtain a form from Parish Office. Confirmation Date: 18 Aug ‘18

SPP FAMILY EASTER GAMES DAY 2018 Date: 15 April, Sunday. Time : 12.30pm-3.00pm. Sign up as a family in groups of 3-5 people. There’ll be games, food and attractive prizes to be won. Lunch is provided. Only \$5 per group. Registration starts on 25 March and ends on 8 April. COME to the booth outside the church to register with us!

THE ST CECILIA’S CHOIR (Sun, 11.00am mass) is recruiting! Are you interested in music & singing? Looking for a community in church to join? Well, look no further & come join us! We are recruiting talents (especially tenors, altos & basses), and want you onboard. For more details, contact Elizabeth Teo at elizabeth.teo.sh@gmail.com or come say hi after mass to enquire.

MASS WITH PRAYERS FOR HEALING (All are welcome and no registration is needed). 7 Apr ‘18 (Sat). Church of Sts. Peter and Paul (main church). 2.00pm - Praise and Worship. 2.20pm to 4.00pm – Mass celebrated by Fr. Tom Curran, followed by prayers for healing. For enquiries, please email praiseatworksg@yahoo.com or call 9747 2467. Organised by Praise@Work and supported by SACCRE.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

ASSISI FUN DAY 2018 - Assisi Hospice is a Catholic charity providing palliative care to patients with life-limiting illnesses and

together to remind us that Jesus is with us. He is not dead, but alive. And, that makes all the difference in the world in how much hope and courage we have, before any struggle, any possible fear of death.

In these 50 days, we are Easter People!

supports their families. In 2017, Assisi has increase the number of patients served to 1500, the Hospice wish to raise more funds to continue its mission. The Assisi Fun Day is one of their major fundraising events and will be held at SJI International School on 24 Jun ‘18. The Assisi team will be here on the weekend of 14 & 15 Apr during the Saturday sunset and Sunday morning masses to sell their Fun Day coupons @ \$10.00 each. Please give them your generous support. For more information, please call Ms Lisa Law @ 6832 2856 or email lisa.law@assisihospice.org.sg

CALLED TO LEAD - We are called to love those we lead. How can we grow in love-driven leadership? **Praise@Work** invites you to a 6-part teaching series based on Chris Lowney’s book, Heroic Leadership. **Called to Lead Part 3: Love**. 12 Apr ‘18, Thur, 8.00pm to 9.20pm, 3/F The Chapel, Church of Sts. Peter & Paul. For enquiries, email us at praiseatworksg@yahoo.com or message us at 90187914

CALLED TO LEAD - How do we handle change? Opportunities? Threats? Learn about Jesuit Ingenuity and how we can apply this in our daily life. **Praise@Work** invites you to a 6-part teaching series based on Chris Lowney’s book, Heroic Leadership. **Called to Lead Part 4: Ingenuity**, 19 Apr ‘18, Thur, 8.00pm to 9.20pm, 3/F The Chapel, Church of Sts. Peter & Paul For enquiries, email us at praiseatworksg@yahoo.com or message us at 90187914

ACCIRD Interreligious Panel & Discussion on “Birth” on 10 Apr (Tue), 7.15pm-9.30pm, Cathedral of the Good Shepherd, Annex Building Level 3. Rabbi Fettmann (Chesed