

THE APOSTOLATE FOR CATHOLIC TRUTH TALKS: 1. The Truth of the Inquisition, Crusades, Galileo, etc. by Nick Chui (21 Apr '17) 2. Theology of the Body 10 hours Course . by Andrew Kong (5,12,19, 25 May '17) Venue: St Joseph's Church Conference Room, Victoria Street Time: Fridays 7.45 pm - 9.30 pm (Except TOB Course, starts at 7pm) FOC, All are Welcome. Register at <http://tinyurl.com/ACT-Talk-Signup> or: SMS: 96493893 for enquiries (Andrew). More details: www.catholic.sg/act

Do you have friends who want to find out more about the Catholic faith? Do you want to bring your friends to find out more about the Catholic faith but do not know where to begin? This Easter, bring your friends to the 'Easter4everyone' event to find out more! Watch a video, listen to a sharing and do a walking trail to discover more about the Catholic faith and what we do as Church. Sat, 29 Apr '17, 2017 2:00pm - 5:00pm at Church of Saints Peter & Paul, 225A Queen Street Singapore, 188551. Register your interest today at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/celebrating-new-life-easter-4-everyone-tickets-32913221331>

SPP FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT 2017

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Come and celebrate Easter at the Church of Saints Peter and Paul on 23 April (Sunday), 12.30pm to 2pm! Interested participants may register in the church office. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Teo via email (elizabeth.teo.sh@gmail.com).

23rd April

- Games & activities!
- Food & Drinks!
- Win Best-Dressed Prizes!
- Loads of Family Fun!

\$5/Team
(2-6 members per team only)

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
Counselling @ SPP	: 7.00pm - 9.00pm (Monday, call church secretariat 6337 2585 for appointment)
Adoration Chapel	: 8.00am - 9.00pm (Mon to Sat), 8.00am - 7.00pm(Sun)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be administered from 5.00pm - 5.20pm on weekdays and Saturday at the makeshift confessional at the baptistry (back of the church). On Sunday, it will be available 30 minutes before each mass.

Parish Priest: Rev Fr JOHN CHUA OCD (email: hkchuajohn@yahoo.com), **Asst Parish Priest:** Rev Fr EDWARD LIM, OCD, **Priests in Residence:** Rev Fr TOM CURRAN, OCD, Rev Fr GREGORY HON, OCD, Rev Fr JOSEPH KOH, OCD and Fr JEFFREY TAN, OCD, **General-Delegate:** Rev Fr THOMAS LIM 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 General Operations & Maintenance of the Church; (ii) Carmelite Fathers - for contributions/donations to the 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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the apostles

Easter Sunday 16 April 2017 Year A

READINGS: Sunday Missal (Year A) Pg 423

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK: MON 17 April - SAT 22 April 2016

MON: ACTS 2:14, 22-33, MT 28:8-15 **TUE:** ACTS 2:36-41, ACTS 2:36-41 **WED:** ACTS 3:1-10, LK 24:13-35 **THU:** ACTS 3:11-26, LK 24:35-48 **FRI:** ACTS 4:1-12, JN 21:1-14 **SAT:** ACTS 4:13-21, MK 16:9-15

A Renewal of Baptismal Promises

Our baptismal promises may be renewed using these prayers in italics or with similar words, from our heart, after our Lenten journey to the font.

Dear brothers and sisters, through the paschal mystery we have been buried with Christ in baptism, so that we may walk with him in newness of life. And so, now that our lenten observance is concluded, let us renew the promises of Holy Baptism, by which we once renounced Satan and his works and promised to serve God in the holy Catholic Church. And so I ask you:

Do you renounce sin, so as to live in the freedom of the children of God? I do.

Lord, all I want to is live in the freedom you offer me. I want to reject the unloving choices I have made, and the sinful failures to love anywhere in

my life. I reject all injustice, all violence, all that disrespects the dignity of all human life

Do you reject the lure of evil, so that sin may have no mastery over you?

I do.

Lord, I admit that some evil has a hold on me: it is attractive, it has such powerful rewards, it has become a habitual way for me to be myself. Lord, I renew my commitment this day to turn from that evil and from letting any disordered attachment, any empty promises master me, and try to separate me from you. By this promise, I commit myself to greater courage in acting justly and refusing to let unjust systems and structures numb my conscience or dull my heart.

Do you reject Satan, the author and prince of sin?

I do.

Information is correct at time of publication.

*Lord, as I renew my promises
that accompany my becoming one with you
in the baptism of dying to sin and rising
to life,*

*I know that an Enemy tries to
tempt me to sin and to many dark patterns,
I now promise to you,
and to my sisters and brothers
who depend upon my fidelity,
that I renew my commitment
to reject that Enemy,
and all his ways of subverting
your reign and the coming of your kingdom.*

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth?

I do.

*Lord, you made me and give me life every
day.*

*I believe in you, I turn to you,
and I place my life,
and the graces I need each day,
in your loving hands.*

Do you believe in Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered death and was buried,
rose again from the dead,
and is seated at the right hand of the
Father?

I do.

*Jesus, my Lord and Saviour,
my life is in your hands.
I believe in you, I turn to you,
I commit myself to growing closer to you,
placing myself with you,
in love - compassionate, self-sacrificing
love - for others.*

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting?

I do.

*Holy Spirit of Jesus,
Jesus promised not to leave us orphans.
I so desire to be enkindled with
the fire of your love,
that I might be renewed in courage.
I believe in and renew my commitment to
your work among us.
I want to contribute to the unity that you
desire for us.
I promise to be as merciful,
for I have known your mercy.
And I pledge to live my life each day on
this earth,
full of faith in the resurrection Jesus
gained for me.*

And may almighty God, the Father of our
Lord Jesus Christ
who has given us new birth
by water and the Holy Spirit,
and bestowed on us forgiveness of our
sins,
keep us by his grace,
in Christ Jesus our Lord,
for eternal life.
Amen.

*Lord, Our God,
this year's journey to the waters of baptism
has renewed me.
I have come to know more intimately
the complexity of my weakness
and the depths of your love for me.
By your grace, I have come to experience
the mystery of the gift of life you offer.
Please help me to remain free and faithful
that I might grow as a servant of
Jesus' own mission.
I ask this with growing faith in
the name of Jesus, my Lord.*

Text of the Renewal of Baptismal Promises
from the New Roman Missal, 3rd Edition.

PARISH NEWS

3-DAYS SANTACRUZ PILGRIMAGE - We are organising a three-day pilgrimage to Malacca Santa Cruz from Fri/Sun 1 - 3 Sep '17. For enquiries, please contact Lawrence Seet at 97992488 or register at Sts Peter & Paul Secretariat Office.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

Spend the first 2 Saturdays in May with our Blessed Mother! (A) 6 May '17: Jesus Mary Rally (1pm - 3.30pm) (organized by The Office for the New Evangelisation in collaboration with The Legion of Mary) Come for an afternoon of prayer, adoration and a talk to learn more about Jesus, Mary and the New Evangelisation. Speaker: Fr Terence Pereira, Episcopal Vicar for the New Evangelisation **(B)** 13 May '17: **'OUR LADY OF FATIMA CENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS'**. Celebrant of Eucharistic Celebration: Archbishop William Goh. More details will be made available. Venue: Both events are held at St Joseph's Church (Victoria Street)

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF SINGAPORE (CTIS) welcomes applications for the Certificate in Theology program for Semester 2, 2017. You may download a copy of our Prospectus 2017 from our website. Application forms are available at CTIS Office or you may download it from our website. Please join our Information Night on 3 May '17, Wed from 7:30pm - 8:30pm to know more about CTIS and the programmes we offer. Closing date for all applications is 27 May '17, Fri. Contact us for more information. CTIS, 55 Waterloo St, #05-04 Catholic Centre, Singapore 187954. Telephone: 6434-8000, Email: admin@ctis.sg, Website: www.ctis.sg.

It is the first time **ONE** is calling Lectors together for a Day of Reflection (DOR) at the Archdiocesan level to pray and reflect together. We would be grateful if you could forward this email-invite to your Lectors. Fr Terence Pereira, Episcopal Vicar for the New Evangelisation, will dwell on the role of a Lector, the elements of "ministry" and the need for formation in order to realize the archdiocesan pastoral vision of a "vibrant, missionary and evangelistic Church". Date: 27 May '17 (Sat) Time: 9.30am to 4.00pm. Venue: St Peter Auditorium, CAEC level 2, (no lift access) 2 Highland Road, Singapore 549102. Who should attend: Lectors Those who

wish to register, please collate as a Parish and fill up the softcopy form attached and email to enquiry@one.org.sg for our logistics and catering purposes. Closing Date: 1 May '17. For the Parishes without Lectors Coordinator, you may register individually by clicking this link and FILL OUT IN GOOGLE FORMS. We will be communicating more instructions once we receive the list of participants.

SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME - ACMI will be holding the enrolment of foreign domestic workers (FDWs) in the skills development programme on Sunday, 30 Apr '17 Registration is from 10 am in Agape Village, 7A Lorong 8, Toa Payoh, Singapore 319264. This programme is fully supported by Caritas Singapore and Catholic Foundation, and commences in Jul '17. Full details are found at www.acmi.org.sg/development

PERSONAL MORAL COMPASS COURSE 2017 - Module 3: Christian Morality, by Fr David Garcia, OP. This is a one-year-long systematic course in Moral Theology. It is a course for all Catholics and non-Catholics interested in their formation in the foundations of Ethics and Moral Theology. It is also recommended for those involved in guiding and forming others and those involved in related work or ministry. The next module of this course, Christian Morality, will start on 18 Apr '17 and it takes place on Tuesday nights, 7:30pm - 9:30pm in Agape Village, 7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh, Singapore 319264. For more information and registration, go to: www.caritas-singapore.org OR email: formation@caritas-singapore.org

ARCHDIOCESAN BIBLICAL APOSTOLATE CELEBRATES BIBLE SUNDAY 2017. THEME: LISTENERS OF THE WORD, PROPHETS OF TODAY Speaker: Sr. Sandra Seow, FMVD - Director of Archdiocesan Biblical Apostolate. Author of the Prayer for Living Book. Mass celebrant: Archbishop William Goh. Where: Catholic Junior College Performing Arts Centre. 129 Whitley Road, Singapore 297822. When: 8 Jul '17, Sat. Time: 9.00am - 1.30pm (Registration starts at 8.15am) Cost: \$50 (includes tea, lunch and goody bag) Register Now! For registration or enquiries: Website: <http://biblicalapostolate.catholic.sg> Email: aba_secretariat@catholic.org.sg Tel: 62800354 (Office hours - weekdays 9.00am to 1.00pm)