

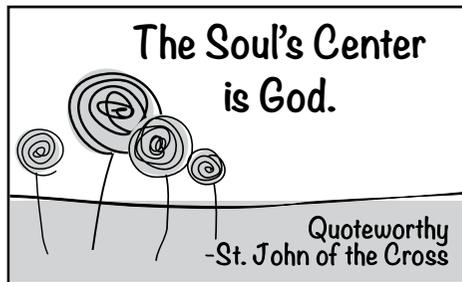
your prayer. Discover what moves you, and how to move together with God in a one-day dance workshop using Ignatian themes. Dancing skills not essential. Presented by Bro Nicholas Lye and Anthony Siow. 29 October, 9.00am - 6.00pm at CANA The Catholic Centre. \$50 including lunch. Register at canatheplacetobe2013@gmail.com or seek.anthony@gmail.com

SANCTUARY CARE IS A NEW FOSTERING SERVICE BY BOYS' TOWN. We assist low-income families who need short-term childcare help, such as those who are ill or facing a family or pregnancy crisis. We are currently recruiting foster parents to provide a loving home on a short-term voluntary basis for children in need. Contact us today at sanctuarycare@boystown.org.sg or call 6221 0588 to find out how you can help. We will look forward to hearing from you.

FAMILY MISSION TRIP TO TAGAYTAY (The Philippines) Dates: 4 - 10 Dec '16. Trip cost: \$750 (for flight, accommodation, food

and transport) Minimum age for children to be part of this mission trip is 7 years old. Closing date for registration is 30 Sept '16. Organised by the Verbum Dei Missionaries. For more information or to register: Call 62740251 or email: verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg

CHARIS - acts29 Mission Trip (23-30 Oct '16) - Join us in building bio-sand water filtration systems with the local community in Romblon, Philippines. Slots for 9 participants only. \$670 per pax. Closing date to register: 28 Sept '16. T&C apply. For more information or to register, contact Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives Singapore (CHARIS), victoria@charis-singapore.org or T: 6337-4119



Sunset Mass	: 5.30pm
Rosary	: 4.40pm (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)

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 baptistery (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 on-going maintenance of our Church or parish projects and Mass offerings; (ii) Church Of SPP Building Fund - for contributions/donations to our Church building fund; (iii) Carmelite Fathers for contributions/donations to the Carmelite Friars (SPP), OCD Missions, Frairs Formation. (iv) 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 C) Pg 1001

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK: MON 10 October - SAT 15 October 2016

MON: GAL 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1, LK 11:29-32 **TUE:** GAL 5:1-6, LK 11:37-41 **WED:** GAL 5:18-25, LK 11:42-46 **THU:** EPH 1:1-10, LK 11:47-54 **FRI:** EPH 1:11-14, LK 12:1-7 **SAT:** EPH 1:15-23, LK 12:8-12

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 9 October 2016

The Lectionary for Mass

First Reading: This brief passage about the healing of Naaman is rich with images. He plunges into the water seven times, a number that often denotes fulfillment. Although Naaman was an important figure, he travelled with a “whole retinue”, his leprosy would have placed him on the edge of the community. His healing brings conversion and thanksgiving, and a promise to worship the God of Israel.

Responsorial Psalm 98 is a proclamation of praise for the wondrous deeds of the Lord. Although the justice, kindness and faithfulness of the Lord are toward the house of Israel, the promise of is universal. All the ends of the earth will know the salvation of God and all the lands have reason to “break into song”.

Second Reading: Paul writes to Timothy from prison and uses his situation to give a perspective on the power of the Word of God. He boldly proclaims that the “word of God is not chained”. This statement is intended to give courage to those who will proclaim their own testimony of the Risen

Lord. Their salvation lies in believing that those who have died with the Lord will also reign with him in glory.

Gospel: The healing of the ten lepers is another story in Luke’s account that proclaims the intervention of God in the struggle of those who seek relief from human events. The narrative bears testimony to the compassion of God for those unjustly left on the edges of society through no fault of their own. But there is a concluding teaching for all of us: giving thanks for God’s great love is also expected.

Some Saints of the Week

St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr – 14 October

Following a life of slavery and hard labour, St. Callistus I (†222) was appointed deacon in charge of the Christian cemetery on the Appian Way, now called the catacomb of San Callisto. Recognised for his abounding wisdom and natural bent for leadership, he was eventually elected pope. He had many critics, due to his liberal stance regarding the forgiveness of those who had apostatised during times of persecution. St. Callistus, heeding the commands of Christ, believed the repentant should be

forgiven and welcomed back into the Church. Tradition maintains that he began the Ember Days, periods of fasting and abstinence, which are no longer observed among Catholics. He is commemorated as a martyr; he was probably killed during a public disturbance.

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church – 15 October

St. Teresa of Jesus (1515-1582), more commonly known as St. Teresa of Avila, joined the Carmelite Convent of the Incarnation at the age of 21. Disheartened by convent life, in particular, its spiritual laxity, opulent nature and overly social atmosphere, she began a reform movement that provided the framework for the Discalced Carmelites. Members of this new branch of Carmelites modeled themselves on the poor and crucified Christ, adopting a life of poverty and abstinence. In collaboration with St. John of the Cross, Teresa helped bring this new way of life to the male Carmelite communities. Their reforms met with great resistance, but they moved forward with faith and persistence.

(The Solemnity of St. Teresa of Jesus will be celebrated at all the weekend Masses in Church of Sts. Peter & Paul on 15 & 16 October 2016.)

October – Month of the Holy Rosary

The Holy Rosary

The rosary probably began as a practice by the laity to imitate the monastic Divine Office (Breviary or Liturgy of the Hours), during the course of which the monks daily prayed the 150 Psalms. The laity, many of whom could not read, substituted 50, or even 150, Ave Marias (Hail Marys) for the Psalms. This prayer, at least the first half of it so directly biblically, seems to date from as early as the 2nd century, as ancient graffiti at Christian sites has suggested.

Sometimes a cord with knots on it was used to keep an accurate count of the Aves.

The first clear historical reference to the rosary, however, is from the life of St. Dominic (died in 1221), the founder of the Order of Preachers or Dominicans. He preached a form of the rosary in France at the time that the Albigensian heresy was devastating the Faith there. Tradition has it that the Blessed Mother herself asked for the practice as an antidote for heresy and sin.

One of Dominic's future disciples, Alain de Roche, began to establish Rosary Confraternities to promote the praying of the rosary. The form of the rosary we have today is believed to date from his time. Over the centuries the saints and popes have highly recommended the rosary, the greatest prayer in the Church after the Mass and Liturgy of the Hours. Not surprisingly, its most active promoters have been Dominicans.

Rosary means a crown of roses, a spiritual bouquet given to the Blessed Mother. It is sometimes called the Dominican Rosary, to distinguish it from other rosary-like prayers (e.g. the Franciscan Rosary of the Seven Joys or Franciscan Crown, the Servite Rosary of the Seven Sorrows). It is also, in a general sense, a form of chaplet or corona (crown), of which there are many varieties in the Church. Finally, in English it has been called "Our Lady's Psalter" or "the beads." This last derives from an Old English word for prayers (bede) and to request (biddan or bid).

The rosary has been called the preparation for contemplation and the prayer of saints. While the hands and lips are occupied with the prayers (it can and should be prayed silently when necessary so as not to disturb others), the mind meditates on the mysteries of the Incarnation and Redemption represented by the decades. Meditation is the form of prayer by which the one who prays uses the mind and

imagination to consider a truth and uses the will to love it and form resolutions to live it. In this way the heart, mind, and soul of the Christian is formed according to the Gospel examples of the Saviour and His First Disciple, His Mother. In God's own time, when this purification

of the heart, mind, and soul has advanced sufficiently the Lord may give the grace of contemplative prayer, that special divine insight into the truth which human effort cannot achieve on its own.

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PARISH NEWS

MASS FOR THE DEAF & THE HEARING IMPAIRED - Commencing Sunday 9 October 2016, Fr Rowland Yeo will celebrate mass in sign language in our chapel (3rd Storey, Parish Building) at 11.00am every Sunday.

MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED 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 Thursday 27 October 2016 at 7.20 am and 5.30pm.

WEEKLY INTERCESSORY PRAYERS - held every Thursday evening at 7.00pm to 8.30pm, Room 5, 2nd level. All are welcome to intercede.

MASS WITH PRAYERS FOR HEALING 15 October 2016 (Saturday) Church of Sts. Peter and Paul, Main Church. 2.30pm - Praise and Worship, 3.00pm to 4.30pm - Mass followed by prayers for healing. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Tom Curran For enquiries, please contact Marilyn at marilyn8sep@yahoo.com Organised by SACCRE and Praise@Work

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

THE LITURGICAL MUSIC COMMITTEE is organizing a mass for all choirs to honor our Patron Saint Cecilia on the 19 Nov '16 (Sat), 9:00am - 1:00pm at The Church of the Holy Cross. (Registration

starts at 8.30am, and lunch is provided at 12:00 pm) His Grace, Archbishop William Goh will be the celebrant for the mass. Participants are encouraged to take public transport to ease traffic volume. Nearest MRT: Dover or Clementi. Bus stop: 189 (Bus stops outside Holy Cross) Please email LMC at lmcsingapore@gmail.com or visit us at our facebook page or website at <https://lmcsingapore.wordpress.com> to register. Registration is necessary as there will be lunch provided.

CLARITY'S INTRODUCTORY GUIDE TO UNDERSTANDING ANXIETY WORKSHOP. 22 Oct, 2.00pm – 4.00pm. Overwhelmed by Anxiety? Do you suffer from panic attacks ? Clarity is introducing a new workshop on understanding anxiety through a series of interactive activities. Fees: FOC. Blk 854 Yishun Ring Road #01-3511 S(760854). Seats are limited. To Register, T: 6757 7990 or E:registration@clarity-singapore.org.

APPEAL FOR THE HUMANITARIAN AID FUND - CHARIS is making its annual appeal for the Humanitarian Aid Fund to support overseas humanitarian work. Appeal flyers and envelopes are available in the parish. Alternatively, you can send a crossed cheque payable to "Humanitarian Aid Fund" with your name and contact information to: CHARIS, #07-02 Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo Street, Singapore 187954. Please contact Sylvester Singh at 6337-4119 or info@charis-singapore.org for further information.

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