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AGAPE VILLAGE FIRST ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - Caritas Singapore sends our deepest gratitude to our Catholic community in making Agape Village (AV) a reality! Join us for AV's first year anniversary with a 'Come & See' Open House on Saturday, 19 Nov 2016, 11.30am to 4pm, at Agape Village (7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh S 319264). The Celebrations will not be complete without your presence! For event updates, please LIKE our Facebook Page & refer to the event poster in your Parish.

YOUNG ADULTS WORKSHOPS ON CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING Inviting young adults (aged 18 to 35years) to join us in this 2-part Catholic Social Teaching Workshop. The first workshop - 'Catholic Social Teaching: Historical Origins and Relevance in today's world' will be on 12 November 2016 (Sat); The second workshop - 'My good, greater good, common good: Which to pursue?' is on 26 November. Both workshops will be from 5:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. Venue: level 3, Catholic Centre at 55 Waterloo Street. For more information and registration,

please refer to the Caritas Singapore website: www.caritas-singapore-org or email to youngadults@caritas-singapore.org

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (ME) facilitates life-changing weekends for married couples. By transforming the way husband and wife communicate, the enriching experience forges greater intimacy and a closer relationship. ME benefits both young couples who want to build a strong marital foundation as well as those who have clocked many years together and strive to keep the flame burning strong. There are still slots for the next ME Weekend from Nov 4 to Nov 6 (English). For registration or enquiries, call Joseph & Reenie on 9670-5390, e-mail mewkend@gmail.com or visit www.MESingapore.org

APPEAL FOR THE HUMANITARIAN AID FUND - CHARIS is making its annual appeal for the Humanitarian Aid Fund to support overseas humanitarian work. Grab the latest copy of the CHARIS Connect to find out more about the work of CHARIS. Appeal flyers and envelopes are available in the parish. Please contact Sylvester Singh at 6337 4119 or info@charis-singapore.org for further information.



READINGS: Sunday Missal (Year C) Pg 1015

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK: MON 7 November - SAT 12 November 2016

MON: TI 1:1-9, LK 17:1-6 **TUE:** TI 2:1-8, 11-14, LK 17:7-10 **WED:** EZ 47:1-2, 8-9, 12, JN 2:13-22 **THU:** PHLM 7-20, LK 17:20-25 **FRI:** 2 JN 4-9, LK 17:26-37 **SAT:** 3 JN 5-8, LK 18:1-8

The Lectionary for Mass

First Reading: The graphic details surrounding the physical torture and death of the seven brothers help to emphasise their religious commitment to the law that forbids the eating of pork. The resolve of each of them to be faithful to their tradition is a teaching about the Resurrection. Their steadfast belief impresses the king and his attendants but their faith is in another King who will raise them up to live forever.

Responsorial Psalm 17 is a prayer of supplication that the Lord will hear the cry of the faithful servant. The one who prays confesses fidelity to the path of the Lord and regards himself or herself as "the apple of your eye," a term of endearment. The image of God is that of a bird, perhaps the mother of the species who would provide protection "in the shadow" of their wings.

Second Reading: This passage from Paul is in three parts. In the first Paul calls down a blessing upon "brothers and sisters" that they will be encouraged and strengthen in "every good deed and word." Then he asks them to pray for in his mission among the

unbelievers. Finally, he proclaims that the Lord is faithful and it is the Lord who will direct them in the way of love of God.

Gospel: The Gospel presents a teaching on the Resurrection; there is an obvious connection here to the First Reading. The context is the rather ridiculous situation of seven brothers who married the same woman but all died without any offspring. Jesus' instructs the Sadducees that the identity and relationships of those who rise from the dead is very different from the ones they have on earth.

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica – 9 Nov

About this Feast

St. John Lateran is one of the four major basilicas in Rome, with St. Peter, St. Mary Major, and St. Paul outside the Walls. It is unique among the four since it (not St. Peter's) is the cathedral church of the Bishop of Rome, the pope. "Lateran" was the name of a Roman family whose lands were seized for the Church by the Emperor Constantine, and which then became the site of a great basilica dedicated in honour of John the Baptist.

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)

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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For centuries, the old Lateran palace was the residence of the popes. It was only when the popes returned from Avignon exile in the fourteenth century that they took up residence at the Vatican. The basilica now has a triple dedication in honour of St. John the Baptist, St. John the Evangelist and our Lord. Across the front of the basilica in a Latin inscription that says, “This is the mother and head of all churches in the whole world.” It is a reminder of why the dedication of this one church is celebrated by the universal Church: we are one family, one flock, and we are led by one shepherd, the successor of St. Peter.

Same Saints of the Week

St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church – 10 November

As pope and Doctor of the Church, St. Leo the Great († 461) strongly supported the teachings of the Council of Chalcedon, especially on the humanity and divinity of Christ. He advocated papal authority by moving from the traditional approach that he pope is a successor to St. Peter’s chair to the pope as St. Peter’s heir. Under his leadership, uniformity of pastoral practice was encouraged, liturgical and clerical abuses were corrected, and priests were sent on a mission to extinguish Priscillianism, a heresy that claimed that the human body was evil. St. Leo is recognised as a “protector of the people” because he persuaded Attila the Hun to not invade the city of Rome and later prevented the Vandals (East German invaders) from torching the city of Rome and massacring its people.

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop – 11 November

St. Martin of Tours (316 – 397) was forced by his father, a pagan officer in the Roman army, to join the military. While serving in the military, he had a life-changing event in which he cut his cloak in half to clothe a freezing beggar. Following this encounter he had a vision of Christ wrapped in the cloak. As a result of this experience, St. Martin chose to be baptised and declared himself a soldier of peace for Christ, refusing to participate in any act of violence. He took up the life of a hermit, thereby introducing monasticism into Gaul. Following his election as bishop of Tours, he continued living as a monk, but made numerous trips to visit his people and establish new monasteries. The people of God converted to Christianity due to his example.

St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr – 12 November

As a young man, St. Josaphat (1580 – 1623) was excited about the possibility of the Orthodox metropolitan city of Kiev, comprising Belarussians and Ukrainians, reuniting with the Church of Rome. When he was elected Archbishop of Polotsk, Lithuania, he worked tirelessly to continue the efforts to bring the Orthodox communities of Kiev into full communion with the Catholic Church. Many people were strongly opposed to this reunion; therefore, they established a rival hierarchy and set up groups to defame his name. While preaching in a particularly hostile city, he was murdered. His commitment to ecumenical relations was eventually realised in the Byzantine Rite of Catholicism. St. Josaphat the martyr is the first Eastern saint to be formally canonised.

PARISH NEWS

PARISH ASSEMBLY 2016 - 26 November, Saturday, 11.00am - 5.30pm How to REGISTER? Method 1: Register with the church secretary Method 2: Email to sts_peterpaul@singnet.com.sg (include name/contact number / email address / Do you belong to any ministry? / preferred language group to be in) Last day of registration: 13 November 2016

INFANT BAPTISM- The next Infant Baptism service will be held on Sat 19 Nov ‘16 at 2.30 pm in the main church. Parents and Godparents are required to attend a preparatory session to be conducted by the Priest at 2.30pm before the baptism. Application Forms for Infant Baptism can be obtained from the Parish Office. The Forms must be submitted by Sat 12 Nov ‘16.

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 Wed 23 Nov ‘16 at 7.20am and 5.30pm.

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

2-DAYS MALACCA PILGRIMAGE - We are organising a two-days pilgrimage to Malacca from Sat/Sun 10 - 11 Dec ‘16 for the Feast Day Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. For enquiries, please contact Lawrence Seet at 97992488 or register at our Secretariat Office.

[SPP YEAR OF MERCY SERIES] MASS WITH ANOINTING OF THE SICK - The Parish is organising a Mass with Anointing of the Sick on 12 November 2016 at 10.00am. We welcome all our infirmed and home bound parishioners to attend the mass and to receive the Sacrament of Anointing. Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 1 hours before Mass and there will be a short fellowship meal after the mass. Interested parties should register with the Parish Secretariat. **Applications will close on the 5 Nov ‘16.** Please note the following requirements (From the Code of Canon Law) before registering your interest: *Can. 1004 §1. The anointing of the sick can be*

administered to a member of the faithful who, having reached the use of reason, begins to be in danger due to sickness or old age. §2. This sacrament can be repeated if the sick person, having recovered, again becomes gravely ill or if the condition becomes more grave during the same illness.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

“WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS MEAN TO YOU?” Verbum Dei Community is organising an Advent day of recollection for youths (13-16 years old). Theme: What does Christmas mean to you? Date and Time: Sat, 26 Nov ‘16, 9.00am-1.30pm Meeting point: Chinese Garden MRT Fee: \$20 Register at verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg or call 62740251. Deadline of registration: 21 Nov ‘16.

Are you longing to see who God is, who He has created you to be, where He is leading you? Do you desire to share your faith? If so, the School of Witness 2017 conducted by the Office for Young People is for you! This is a live-in discipleship school for young people aged between 18-30 years and runs from 8 January to 4 March (with a short Chinese New Year break). For more details, contact OYP 62852571 or visit www.oyp.org.sg

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. Date: 25 - 27 Nov 2016 (Friday evening to Sunday evening) Venue: Choice Retreat House, 47 Jurong West Street 42, Singapore 649368 Enquiries: Hillary 9790 0537 or Francesca 9710 9680 Register & Info: <http://www.choice.org.sg/registration.htm>

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY - GOD’S LOVE & MERCY FOR MARRIAGES Pope Francis once said, “The ideal of marriage, marked by a commitment to exclusivity and stability, is swept aside whenever it proves inconvenient or tiresome. Living together is an art, a patient journey.” In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, allow God to heal your marriages and rediscover yourself. All are welcome! Free admission. Date : Friday, 11 Nov 2016 Time: 8.00pm-10.00pm (Registration starts at 7:30pm) Venue: Church of the Holy Spirit, Room #03-11, 248 Upper Thomson Road, Singapore