

about. Date: 24 - 26 Jul '15 (Fri evening to Sun evening). Venue: CHOICE Retreat House, 47 Jurong West Street 42, Singapore 649368 Enquiries: Hillary 9790 0537, Jacqueline 9424 2606 Register & Info: www.choice.org.sg/registration.htm

CERTIFICATE IN THEOLOGY

Registration is open for Certificate in Theology at Catholic Theological Institute of Singapore (CTIS). For more info, call Janice or John at 64348000 or email admin@ctis.sg Application forms can be downloaded from the CTIS website: www.ctis.sg. Bursaries are available for prospective students (1 per parish). If you are interested, please approach your parish priest for his nomination. Kindly ensure that your application reaches us by 10 Jul '15.

RETROUVAILLE - A Lifeline for Troubled & Hurting Marriages 1. Has your marriage become unloving and uncaring? 2. Has your marriage grown cold and distant? 3. Has there been little or no meaningful communication between the two of you? 4. Do you feel

disappointed or even despair thinking about your marriage? A Retrouvaille weekend can help you. Weekend date: 24 - 26 Jul '15. For confidential enquiry, Tel: 6711 6774. Online registration: www.helpourmarriage.sg

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (MPC)

For couples intending to get married, the commencement date for the 4th Quarter is on 4 Oct '15. Allocation of places is on a first-come-first-served basis. Application forms can be downloaded from our website @ www.catholic.org.sg/mpc. Please refer to our website for further details. For any enquiries, please contact: Peter & Rita @ 93673411 or email MPCSingapore@gmail.com

STRESSED? ANXIOUS? WORRIED? DEPRESSED? FEARFUL? ANGRY?

CLARITY can help you. CLARITY (a member of CARITAS Singapore) provides professional counselling for distressed Catholics. Call: 9710 3733; Email: ask@clarity-singapore.org; Website: www.clarity-singapore.org

Sunset Mass 5.30pm
Rosary 4.40pm (Saturday)
Sunday Masses
8.30am (Mandarin)
11.00am (English)
2.00pm (Cantonese) Chapel, 3rd Floor
4.20pm (English)
Weekday Masses
7.20am
5.30pm
Intercessory Prayer
7.15pm (Eng, Thu, Adoration Chapel)

Infant Jesus Devotions
5.30pm (Thu, followed by Mass)
4.00pm (Sun, followed by Mass)
Divine Mercy Devotions
Sun, 12.30pm (Mandarin)
Sion Adorers - Holy Hour
7.45pm - 8.45pm (Sat, Adoration Chapel)
Hour of Mercy (Adoration Chapel)
3.00pm (Daily)
Counselling @ SPP
Every Monday 7.00pm - 9.00pm. Please call SPP Church Secretariat 6337 2585 for appointment.

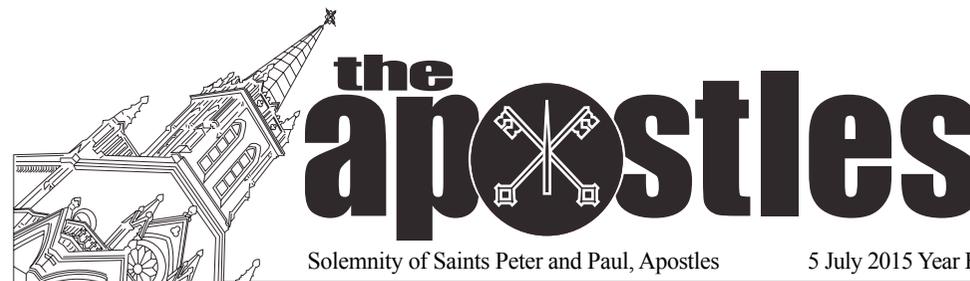
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be administered from 5.00pm-5.20pm on weekdays in Rm 1. On weekends, it will be available in the makeshift confessional/back of the tentage 30 mins before each weekend mass.

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, and Rev Fr JOSEPH KOH, 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 B) Pg185 **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:** Pg 187

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Our eyes are on the Lord till he show us his mercy.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK: MON 6 July - SAT 11 July 2015

MON: Gn 28:10-22a, Mt 9:18-26 **TUE:** Gn 32:23-33, Mt 9:32-38 **WED:** Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a, Mt 10:1-7 **THU:** Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5, Mt 10:7-15 **FRI:** Gn 46:1-7, 28-30, Mt 10:16-23 **SAT:** Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a, Mt 10:24-33

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 5 July 2015

The Lectionary for Mass

First Reading: God's communications may sometimes be more realistic than we would hope. Here, Ezekiel is called to be a prophet and warned that he will likely not find success. We might question the value of taking on such a mission. God's answer is simply, "They shall know that a prophet has been among them." No one who has heard a prophet can claim innocence through ignorance.

Responsorial Psalm 123: This is a prayer designed to sustain one like Ezekiel. His heart cannot be set on accomplishment, or else he would soon find another occupation. Fixing our eyes on Christ, especially in a communal context, will show us the way through anything we need to face.

Second Reading: Paul is offering us an example of selfless discipleship. He challenges us to accept our weakness as the religious and emotional space where we can best encounter God working in and through us.

Gospel: Perhaps the best lesson this Gospel teaches us comes from the "audience". Rather than reassess their way of thinking, they convinced themselves that Jesus, coming from a simple family known to all of them, couldn't possibly have a new message worthy of their attention. Are

we ready to hear a divine message from a simple source?

July - Month of the Most Precious Blood

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood. The feast of the Precious Blood of our Lord was instituted in 1849 by Pius IX, but the devotion is as old as Christianity. The early Fathers say that the Church was born from the pierced side of Christ, and that the sacraments were brought forth through His Blood.

"The Precious Blood which we worship is the Blood which the Savior shed for us on Calvary and reassumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it."

Litany of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus

This litany clearly traces the line of salvation history through a series of biblical references and passages. In its present form it was approved by Blessed John XXIII on February 24, 1960. Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy

Prayer:
Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.
 God the Father of Heaven, Have mercy on us.
 God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy on us.
 God the Holy Spirit, Have mercy on us.
 Holy Trinity, One God, Have mercy on us.
 Blood of Christ, only-begotten Son of the Eternal Father, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Incarnate Word of God, save us.
 Blood of Christ, of the new and Eternal Testament, save us.
 Blood of Christ, falling upon the earth in the Agony, save us.
 Blood of Christ, shed profusely in the Scourging, save us.
 Blood of Christ, flowing forth in the Crowning with Thorns, save us.
 Blood of Christ, poured out on the Cross, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Price of our salvation, save us.
 Blood of Christ, without which there is no forgiveness, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Eucharistic drink and refreshment of souls, save us.
 Blood of Christ, river of mercy, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Victor over demons, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Courage of martyrs, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Strength of confessors, save us.
 Blood of Christ, bringing forth virgins, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Help of those in peril, save us.

Blood of Christ, Relief of the burdened, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Solace in sorrow, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Hope of the penitent, save us.
 Blood of Christ, consolation of the dying, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Peace and Tenderness of hearts, save us.
 Blood of Christ, Pledge of Eternal Life, save us.
 Blood of Christ, freeing souls from Purgatory, save us.
 Blood of Christ, most worthy of all glory and honor, save us.
 Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord.
 Lamb of God, Who takest away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.
V. Thou hast redeemed us, O Lord, in Thy blood,
R. And made of us a kingdom for our God.

Let Us Pray

Almighty and Eternal God, Thou hast appointed Thine only-begotten Son the Redeemer of the world, and willed to be appeased by His Blood, Grant, we beseech Thee, that we may worthily adore this Price of our salvation, and through its power be safeguarded from the evils of this present life, so that we may rejoice in its fruits forever in Heaven. Through the same Christ Our Lord.
R. Amen.

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PARISH NEWS

RAFFLE FUNDRAISING FOR CARMELITE FRIARS FORMATION – Raffle Tickets “In the footsteps of St Teresa of Avila” Draw will be held on Sunday, 16 Aug ‘15 at 5.30pm in our church. Raffle Prizes are 3 Full Expenses Paid 15 Days Carmelite Spain Pilgrimages to be won. The ticket stubs and money for the sold tickets and all unsold tickets should be returned to our church by mid-July, the latest. For enquiries, please contact Alice Chua at 98465646. Thank you for your generous support.

RCIA ENGLISH - Rite of Acceptance / Rite of Welcoming (7 Jul '15) Dear friends, The initial inquiry (precatechumenate) period for

our parish’s group of inquirers will be moving into the second stage, with our first opportunity for unbaptized inquirers to go through the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, and baptized inquirers to go through the Rite of Welcoming. The first phase of the journey of initiation has been a time for seekers to hear the mystery of Christ proclaimed. The inquirers have consciously and freely sought the living God and entered the way of faith and conversion as the Holy Spirit opens their hearts. We ask you to please pray for the inquirers as they continue their conversion journey and for our RCIA process as we assist them in moving toward a closer relationship with God. Your prayers are critical to the success of our program. We will continue to keep you informed of the initiation process

and progress of those considering joining the Church. We invite you to take an active role in welcoming our soon-to-be catechumens and candidates, and to be models of faith and Christian charity for them.

SPP CATECHIST RECRUITMENT - We are looking for 8 Primary and 4 Secondary Catechists to assist with the faith formation and development of the children and teenagers at SPP. No prior experience is needed. Guidance and training will be provided. Please call/SMS Jeremy at 96843475 or Alycia at 91773461 for more information.

17TH CANTONESE RCIA (2015-2016) will be commenced on 5 June ‘15 at Room 8, 2nd Floor, Church of Sts Peter and Paul. Please contact our office at (6336 3606) for registration. Please share this news with your family, friends and neighbors who would like to attend Cantonese RCIA.

RCIA (MANDARIN) 2015/2016 - It will commence on 8 May ‘15, every Friday from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in Meeting Room 3 (2nd Level, Parish Building) For more information, please contact Corina Cheong, hp: 91775689

3-DAYS SANTA CRUZ PILGRIMAGE -

We are organising a three-day pilgrimage to Santa Cruz Chapel in Malacca from Fri/Sun 4 - 6 Sep ‘15 in aid of the Restoration and Conservation project of our Church of Sts. Peter & Paul. For enquiries, please contact Lawrence Seet at 97992488 or register at Sts Peter & Paul Secretariat Office.

DAILY PRAYER - Our SPP Church prays the Lauds led by the Carmelite Friars every weekday at 7.00am before the 7.20am Mass.

15 DAYS 12 NIGHTS PILGRIMAGE to St Teresa’s Carmelite in Spain from 3 - 17 Oct ‘15 to commemorate the 500th Anniversary of the Birth of St Teresa of Avila. Spiritual Directors are Fr Kenneth Gopal, OCD and Fr Jeffery Tan, OCD. If you are interested,

please pick up a registration form from Parish Office. For more information, please contact Lawrence Seet at Hp: 97992488.

CHURCH OF SAINTS PETER & PAUL BUILDING FUND –

An estimate of 30% of items in the church conservation project is deemed strictly as “conservation works” and we have already raised \$2,986,565/- from the account “PMF - Church of Sts Peter and Paul”. The figure above is sufficient to cover 30% of items being conserved; raising more than 30% through this account (PMF- Church of Sts Peter & Paul) means that the balance will have to remain in this account until another conservation project has been initiated. Further, the funds raised through the above account cannot be used for maintenance other than conservation works. As such, we have ceased to accept tax exemption donations for the restoration of our church. However, we hope that you will continue to donate generously to our Building Fund for many other maintenance works. From now onwards, crossed cheques should be made payable to: Church of SPP Building Fund. Donor may provide his/her name, address and contact phone no. Thank you for your generous donations and support.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

“QUENCH” is a 3D2N Youth Retreat organised by Jesus Youth Singapore (affiliated to SACCRE). Come and reconnect with the source of all Life and bask in His Love! Date & Venue: 6 Aug, 8.00pm to 8 Aug, 9.00pm at Choice Retreat House. Theme: *‘Let anyone who is thirsty come to me’ John 7:37*. Age: 18-35 years old. You can register online @ www.singapore.jesusyouth.org. For more details email singapore@jesusyouth.org or contact Fionne Grace Lai (9006 1884) or Natalie Chan (9688 0412)

It takes that 1 weekend that will 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