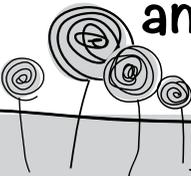


after Mass. Come and be fed! This will be held on 23 Oct '15, 8.00pm - 10.00pm @ OYP (2 Lor Low Koon S536449). Register @ [www.tinyurl/JCmass](http://www.tinyurl/JCmass).

**A TERESIAN TRIDUUM** - on the life of St Teresa of Avila "In The Hands of God" on her her writings, her conversations with Christ and her response to God's mercies. 12 - 14 Oct '15, 7.30pm followed by Mass at Carmelite Monastery. Speaker Fr Gregory Hon, OCD. Solemnity of St Teresa, 15 Oct '15, Mass at 6.00pm. Celebrant Archbishop William Goh, DD.

**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](mailto:ask@clarity-singapore.org); Website: [www.clarity-singapore.org](http://www.clarity-singapore.org)

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Quoteworthy  
-St. John of the Cross

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.

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(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) Pg 235 **PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL:** Pg 238  
**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** **May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.**  
**READINGS FOR THE WEEK:** MON 5 October- SAT 10 October 2015  
**MON:** Jon 1:1-2:1-2, 11, Lk 10:25-37 **TUE:** Jon 3:1-10, Lk 10:38-42 **WED:** Jon 4:1-11, Lk 11:1-4 **THU:** Mal 3:13-20b, Lk 11:5-13 **FRI:** Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2, Lk 11:15-26 **SAT:** Jl 4:12-21, Lk 11:27-28

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 4 October 2015**

**The Lectionary for Mass**

**First Reading:** Genesis presents us with the image of a person alone and helpless. To resolve the problem, God puts the man in a sleep so deep that he cannot watch what is going to happen. Then, having created the woman, God presents her to the man, almost like the father of the bride, escorting a daughter to her groom. The man expresses his delight as he repeats: this one, this one, this one! The point is that it is not good for a person to be alone. Human beings are social by nature. We are created to be partners and helpers one for another.

**Responsorial Psalm 128:** Praying this psalm leads us to recapture the joy of that garden where God created humanity.

**Second Reading:** The author admits that Jesus was, for a time, less than angels, and immediately explains why that was so. Jesus chose inferiority to the angels precisely so that he could be one with humanity in all things, including death. Adding an exceptional development to the teaching of Genesis, Hebrews asserts that in the person of Jesus, God became one with humanity to consecrate us, to be brother and helper to us.

**Gospel:** In this scene, we find the Pharisees trying to put Jesus in danger or trap him in legalities. The danger came from the fact that John the Baptist had

been beheaded over the question of divorce (Mark 6:17-29). While that lurked in the background, rabbis of that day debated the legitimacy of divorce. As so often happened, rather than answer the Pharisees' question, Jesus asked one of his own and, as usual, caught them in their own trap.

**October - Month of the Holy Rosary**

Since the 16th century Catholic piety has assigned entire months to special devotions. Pope Leo XIII personally started the practice of devoting October to the Rosary devotion. In a letter of September 1, 1883, mindful of the Rosary's power to strengthen faith and foster a life of virtue, he outlined the triumphs of the Rosary in past times and admonished the faithful to dedicate the month of October to the Blessed Virgin through the daily recitation of her Rosary in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, in order to obtain through her intercession the grace that God would console and defend His Church in her sufferings.

We highly recommend that you read Pope John Paul II's Apostolic Letter Rosarium Virginis Mariae, or "On the Most Holy Rosary." It explains even further this wonderful devotion, and introduces the optional mysteries of light, or Luminous mysteries.

**How to pray the Rosary**

The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the Apostles' Creed, which summarises the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The Our

Father, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the Hail Mary is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the Hail Mary. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and - added by Pope John Paul II in 2002 - the Luminous.

The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.

**The Five Joyful Mysteries are traditionally prayed on the Mondays, Saturdays, and Sundays of Advent:**

The Annunciation  
The Visitation  
The Nativity  
The Presentation in the Temple  
The Finding in the Temple

**The Five Sorrowful Mysteries are traditionally prayed on the Tuesdays, Fridays, and Sundays of Lent:**

The Agony in the Garden  
The Scourging at the Pillar  
The Crowning with Thorns  
The Carrying of the Cross  
The Crucifixion and Death

**The Five Glorious Mysteries are traditionally prayed on the Wednesdays and Sundays outside of Lent and Advent:**

The Resurrection  
The Ascension  
The Descent of the Holy Spirit  
The Assumption  
The Coronation of Mary

**The Five Luminous Mysteries are traditionally prayed on Thursdays:**

The Baptism of Christ in the Jordan  
The Wedding Feast at Cana  
Jesus' Proclamation of the Coming of the Kingdom of God  
The Transfiguration  
The Institution of the Eucharist

**Praying the Rosary**

Familiarise yourself and/or your group with the prayers of the rosary.  
Make the Sign of the Cross +  
Holding the Crucifix, say the Apostles' Creed.  
On the first bead, say an Our Father. Say three Hail Marys on each of the next three beads. Say the Glory Be

For each of the five decades, announce the Mystery, then say the Our Father. While fingering each of the ten beads of the decade, next say ten Hail Marys while meditating on the Mystery. Then say a Glory Be. (After finishing each decade, some say the following prayer requested by the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima: "O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those who have most need of your mercy.")

After saying the five decades, say the "Hail, Holy Queen", followed by this dialogue and prayer:  
V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.  
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Let us pray:** O God, whose Only Begotten Son, by his life, Death, and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech thee, that while meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Memorial of Our Lady of Rosary - 7 October**

**Today's Memorial**

Pope John Paul II called the Rosary "the school of Mary", a special devotion that teaches us about the profoundly close relationship Mary shared with her Son, Jesus Christ. More than this, praying the Rosary invites us into this relationship, nurturing our faith and deepening our understanding of who Jesus Christ was for the world. The Church celebrates Our Lady of the Rosary in order to honour Mary's example and guidance to her Son. May we learn in her school how to open our lives to her Son, Jesus, and how to imitate his example of sharing God's love with the world.

**PARISH NEWS**

**2-DAYS MALACCA PILGRIMAGE -**

We are organising a two-days pilgrimage to Malacca from Sat/Sun 12 - 13 Dec '15 for the Feast Day Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe. This is the final project in aid of Church of Sts Peter & Paul Restoration and Conservation Fund. For enquiries, please contact Parish Secretary at 63372585 or register at the Secretariat Office.

**UKULELE CLASS -**

Want to learn how to play ukulele and give back to the church is a fun way? Ukulele class is available every Monday 8:00pm, guaranteed to be able to learn the ukulele within a week from the professionals who will be teaching how to play various hymns and pop songs! Students will then be performing and bringing fun to many homes and hospitals! Join the troupe today! Please contact Michael Cheuk at hp: 94763277 to sign up. Place: Room 7, 2nd level, SPP Parish Building every Monday, 8:00pm to 9:30pm (except public holiday). Training is Free of charge; training materials will be provided.

**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.

**DAILY PRAYER -**

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

**NEWS AROUND THE PARISH**

**CHARIS MISSION TRIP -**

Join us in building houses for Typhoon Haiyan survivors in the Philippines. From 29 Nov - 5 Dec, \$550 per pax. T&C apply. Limited spaces on a first come first served basis. For more information, contact Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives Singapore (CHARIS), Lilyanne at lilyanne@charis-singapore.org or Tel: 6337-4119. Website www.charis-singapore.org

**ANIMAL BLESSING**

service which the church of Saint Mary of the Angels holds every year in keeping with the Feast of St Francis. The Feast Day is celebrated on 4 Oct. Dog shows, children's entertainment, animal welfare groups from many parts of the island will also be setting up stalls at St Mary of the Angels from 11.00am. The Animal Blessing takes place at 3.00pm.

**JUNIOR COLLEGE MASS -**

The office for Young People invites students from Junior College/IB schools to a Eucharistic celebration, to pray for exams as well as a time of fellowship. There will be refreshments