

LOURDES EXPERIENCE

A notification has just been received by the Apostolic Nunciature, that the Holy Father has agreed to a **Decree for the Grant of Plenary Indulgence to Catholics** who attend the Lourdes Experience on 6th December, subject to the conditions usual for such grant being fulfilled, that the faithful make Sacramental Confession, attend the Mass and receive the Holy Eucharist, and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father the Pope.

NCC HOME MASSES FOR SENNETT/ LUCKY HEIGHTS & TELOK KURAU

Members of the Sennett/Lucky Heights NCC would like to invite you for their Neighbourhood Mass on **Friday, 5th December at 8.00pm** in the home of Thomas and Elaine at **4 Lucky Rise**.

Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Donatien Davaine. For further enquiries, please contact Raymond at 96160306.

Telok Kurau NCC will be holding their Home mass on **Thursday, 4th December at 8.00pm** in the home of Christopher & Annie at **19 Lorong H Telok Kurau**. Celebrant: Rev. Fr. Damian De Wind. All are welcome!

CAMP ALIVE, "I Feel Alive, I Come Alive, I Am Alive!"

Last call for registrations! **Spaces still available!** Holy Family's annual **YOUhf** camp for ages 14-19 years. Get to know Jesus and your fellow YOUhf in church in a deeper way! **Date: 11-14 December**. Register: **tiny.cc.campalive** Contact: Colin @ 9837 1464 or Germaine @ 9819 6527

On sale now at Katong Catholic Book Centre:

Advent Candles Set - \$6 .00 & \$8.00.

Advent Wreath (Assorted) - from \$43.20 to \$65.00

Church Art Calendar 2015 - \$3.50

Our Parish newsletter is still available at the Church entrances. It features Fr Pat's year end message, a call to join the Ministry to the sick along with powerful sharing, faith testimonies and experiences of God's love that can truly transform us, in our mission. Reflect how St Paul's letter to the Romans sets out the core of his witness to the world (and ours) and on various avenues available for evangelization in our daily life. Enjoy some delightful moments captured through the lens of our parishioners.

THE CONNECTION NOVEMBER 2014

Do pick up a copy of the Advent Reflection Booklet 2013 at the entrances of the Church. May you have a fruitful reflection using this resource with your family, NCC's and Organisation members.

ADVENT REFLECTION BOOKLET 2013



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Mass Times

Weekdays:
 6.15 am (Mondays to Saturdays)
 6.15 pm (Mondays to Fridays)
 8.30 am (Public Holidays)
Saturday Sunset Masses:
 6.00 pm (English) 8.00 pm (Mandarin)
Sunday Masses:
 7.15, 9.15 & 11.30 am & 6.00 pm
 (Confession 15 min. before weekend masses)
Novena: 5.00 pm Saturday

Adoration Room

Mon– Sat 7am to 10 pm , Sun / Public Holidays: 7am to 8.30pm

Columbarium

Mon-Sat: 9.30am to 6pm - Sunday: 8.30am to 6pm

9.00am to 12.00pm - Public Holidays

Infant Baptism (monthly)

Preparation last Sunday at 3pm; Baptism 1st Sunday at 4pm

Liturgy of the Word for Children

Every Saturday, 6pm Mass or Every Sunday, 11.30am Mass

Elders Catechism (Dialect)

Every Thursday, 1pm to 3pm @ Meeting Room, Priest House

Meditation Classes

Tuesdays/Thursday 8pm : Wednesdays 7.30pm

Weddings

Apply at Parish Office at least 6 months in advance

1st Sunday in Advent

November 30, 2014 – Year B

Sunday Missal Page No: 617



STAY AWAKE

“The Lord is coming, but you know not the day or the hour.” This season makes us all aware of time’s movement and our place in its fragile duration. Now is the time to sort things out, I look around and get ready, for at the Lord’s presence the mountains melt. Advent means: He’s coming soon! Heads up! Don’t expect someone else to alert you. **Be ready!**

Sunday Missal Readings for next weekend - 7th Dec

Is 40:1-5, 9-11

2 Pt 3:8-14

Mk 1:1-8

CANTEEN



The “Mandarin Group” will be hosting the canteen this weekend. Bring your family and friends for a sumptuous breakfast after the 7.15am & 9.15am Masses. Next weekend, members of the “**Marine Terrace NCC**” will be hosting the canteen.

Parishioners, please be reminded that the **Church’s gates are CLOSED at 10pm on weekdays and at 8.30pm on Sundays and public holidays.**

Driver of vehicles should drive your vehicles out in time.

Should you be late and find the gates already closed, please do not shout or scream, simply make a phone call to the church or take a cab home. Be considerate to residents around.

Advent is a season of expectation, of waiting. We wait for the Nativity of Jesus – we wait to celebrate Christmas. We prepare ourselves, to “spring clean”, to “take stock”, and see where we are now. Not all waiting is bad. Waiting helps us to build up an appetite; it allows us to savour the experience when it finally occurs. It gives us the time and space to prepare ourselves for the eventual experience. We are not called to be idle while waiting, but to prepare ourselves to be better.

In today’s culture of instant gratification, waiting is something that is increasingly difficult to do. We now have “instant” messaging, “instant” noodles, “fast” food, faster Internet, more efficient transport systems – and still we want things faster.

There is a danger of busying ourselves during a period of waiting. We get all caught up in work, with family and relationships, and we forget who or what we are waiting for. In this way, we lose the purpose of our waiting.

This Advent, let us remember the purpose of our waiting – we await the Christ-child to be born anew in our lives. We reaffirm our identity as Christians, as Brothers and Sisters to one another, and we strive to grow as a larger community of faith – the Parish Church of the Holy Family.

While we wait as a community, we do not celebrate Christmas before Christmas. Why not simply enjoy the waiting?

Liturgical Committee

CAR PARK REMINDER

ADVENT

A SEASON OF WAITING

NCC ADVENT REFLECTION SCHEDULE– (2ND WEEK)

NCC	DATE	TIME	HOME OF	ADDRESS	CONTACT	HAND-PHONE
Bedok South	5 Dec (Fri)	8.15pm	Lorinne Ng	Blk 170 #08-350 Bedok Sth Ave3	Cheryl	97473634
COSE	3 Dec (Wed)	8.00pm	Agnes & Cecilia	43 Jalan Buloh Perindu	Agnes	96612811 62412663
Elliot	1 Dec (Mon)	7.30pm	Anita & Angela	10A Palm Drive	Angela	90176971
Joo Chiat	5 Dec (Fri)	7.30pm	Yvonne Lim	158 Everitt Road	Yvonne Helence	97383861 97609121
Kew-Eastwood-Ria-Limau	2 Dec (Tue)	8.00pm	Betty & George Teo	41 Limau Garden	George Carlos	97304373 96704123
Laguna Park/Lagoon View	3 Dec (Wed)	8.00pm	Edward Tan	Blk J #20-43 Lagoon View	Edward	98620011
Marine Crescent	2 Dec (Tue)	8.00pm	James & Cecilia	Blk 43 #02-02 Marine Cres.	Cecilia	93806372
Marine Drive	2 Dec (Tue)	8.00pm	Agnes Fernandez	Blk 73 #02-53 Marine Drive	Ronnie	98264007
Marine Terrace	4 Dec (Thu)	8.30pm	Albert & Grace Chitty	Blk 55 #14-17 Marine Terrace	Malcolm	90024444
Neptune Court	1 Dec (Mon)	7.30pm	Evelyn	Blk 5 #13-51	Evelyn	64422587
Sennett/Lucky Heights	1 Dec (Mon)	8.15pm	James & Pady Goh	29 Lucky Gardens	Raymond	96160306
Telok Kurau	1 Dec (Mon)	8.00pm	Cecilia & William	80D Lor J Telok Kurau	Cecilia	92701217

PARENTS’ FORMATION WORKSHOPS

Calling **ALL FAMILIES** i.e. parents and children!

In the preparation season of **ADVENT**, let us come together for Advent Sharing on **FOUR** Fridays:-

Dates : **28th November, 5th, 12th and 19th December.**

Time : 8.00pm to 9.30pm.

Venue : Meeting and/or RCIA Room (located on Ground. and 1st levels respectively in Priest House) For more information please contact Connie Yeo at **90012773** or Gwen Andres at **97315447**