

CANTEEN



The Canteen is **CLOSED** for the Christmas & New Year Holidays. The Canteen will re-open on **8TH JANUARY 2017**.



DIVINE MERCY

The Divine Mercy Prayer Night will be held on **Friday, 23rd December, 2016 @ 7.15 pm**.

Venue : **CHURCH**. All are welcome!

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

A **SECOND** collection will be made this weekend for the **GIFT** Program to collect GIRO envelopes or cash for raising funds to deliver the pastoral vision and plan of the Archdiocese.

THE HOLY FAMILY INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP

No prayer session on December 22 2016. We look forward to seeing you again on **January 12 2017 @ 8-9pm @ the RCIA Room, 2nd floor, Parish House**.

For prayer requests, kindly place them in the Petition Box located @ the Adoration Room.

For more information, please contact **Anne Seet @ Hp: [+65 9487 9078](tel:+6594879078)**.

SGSECURE

As you may be aware, SGSecure is a national movement to sensitise, train and mobilise the community to play a part to prevent and deal with a terrorist attack prior to the arrival of the police on the scene. In line with the national movement and in response to the Archdiocese's call for individual parishes to set up a Parish Emergency Preparedness Taskforce, we would like to inform parishioners that we have formed such a taskforce to (1) develop a plan to educate parishioners to be alert to and to report any suspicious articles or behaviour in our church and (2) to identify and to train first responders at every Mass to deal with such threats pending the arrival of the police force.

We would ask parishioners to bear with any inconvenience that any such measures may cause for the sake of improved security in our parish.

Advent Sharing with Neighbourhood Christian Communities (NCCs)

NCC	Date	Time	Home	Address	Contact	Tel.
Joo Chiat	Tues 20 Dec	7.45pm	Geraldine Lim	17 Duku Road	Gerry	96702692
Sennett/ Lucky Heights	Mon 19 Dec	8.15pm	James & Pady Goh	29 Lucky Gardens	Raymond	96160306

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): an invitation

If you are thinking of joining the Catholic Church, you are invited to register for the new RCIA journey which begins in April 2017.

Also, baptised Catholics are invited to become sponsors to accompany inquirers in their journey of faith. Registration forms for sponsors and inquirers are available in the parish office.

Inquirers may also call the RCIA hotline at 9341 4999.

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

Liturgy of the Word with Children will be taking a break starting [from 24/25 December 2016](#).

We will resume on the weekend of **18/19 February 2017**.

CATECHISM CLASSES FOR YEAR 2017

Please note that catechesis for all levels will commence on the weekend of 21 / 22 January 2017. We wish all parents and students "A Blessed Christmas & A Happy New Year."

CALL FOR FACILITATORS - NEW FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMMES

New faith formation programs will commence in 2017. "**Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained**", a 20-week program commences **Wed 17 Feb**. Weekly **Bible Sharing sessions** commences **Tues 7 Mar**.

We seek Facilitators for these programs. Find out more at the briefing on **Wed, 4th Jan, 7.45pm at #02-01 Emmaus House**. Training for Symbolon Facilitators is on **Wed 11 Jan**. For enquiries / register for the briefing / register as a Facilitator, email: faithform2016@gmail.com or call Ronnie/ Pauline at 98264007 / 96278739.

We urge parishioners, in prayerful discernment and trust, to step forward to contribute your skills towards the Parish in these renewed initiatives.



The Office for the New Evangelisation has produced a booklet of reflections for the season of Christmas in English, Mandarin and Tamil. The theme is "The Joyous Community". Please take a copy of the booklet for your household. You can also find the online copy at <http://www.one.org.sg/resources-for-parishes/>.

Calling those interested in the work of the New Evangelisation: ONE is looking for collaborators. Come to the ONE Day and find out more! Date: 7 Jan 2017 Time: 9.30am – 12.30pm

Venue: 2 Highland Road, CAEC Building (Singapore 549102)

Those interested, please refer to this link to fill up the form: <https://goo.gl/forms/K04M9yQRLDYHEYtj2>

Please note the church car park facilities will be limited due to tentage set-up for our 80th Anniversary Feast Day dinner reception.

27-29 Dec (Tues-Thurs) Partial closure (at car park facing Sea Ave)

30 Dec (Fri) - Entire car park closed

31 Dec (Sat) - Partial closure (at car park facing Sea Ave till 4pm)

CLOSURE OF CAR PARK

80th ANNIVERSARY THANKSGIVING MASS & DINNER RECEPTION

Celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family with our 80th Anniversary Thanksgiving Mass on **Fri, 30th Dec 2016, 7.00pm**. Celebrant : Archbishop William Goh. Dinner will be provided after Mass at the church car park.

To help gauge the amount of food to cater, please register your attendance for the Dinner at www.holyfamily.org.sg or at the parish secretariat.

MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS EVE & CHRISTMAS DAY

Christmas Eve Saturday, 24th December
 8.30 pm Christmas Carols 9.00 pm Christmas Mass (E)
 11.30 pm Christmas Carols 12.00 Midnight Christmas Mass (E)
 Christmas Day Sunday 25th December
 9.15 am (E) 11.30 am (E) & 6.00 pm (Mandarin)
 Monday 26th December Public Holiday (Mass @ 8.30 am)

CHRISTMAS WITH THE PICKLES

On sale this weekend: A Christmas Story(booklet) for children and adults on the meaning of Christmas.



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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 30 minutes before weekend masses)

Novena: 5.00 pm Saturday

Adoration Room
Columbarium

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

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

4th Sunday of Advent

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EMMANUEL, GOD WITH US

The Lord gave unwilling King Ahaz a sign. Joseph, "son of David the King" and a house builder, received the same sign for Mary. "The virgin will conceive and bear a son, and they will call him Emmanuel, God-with us." That is the promise of Jesus' coming. Emmanu-el "God-with-us," our only hope! Are you awaiting him?

Sunday Missal Readings for next weekend - 25 Dec

Is 52:7-10 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18