

Our Pilgrimage



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Pentecost

Liturgical Reflection

Pentecost Sunday, is the 8th Sunday and the fiftieth day (*Pentekostē* in Greek, fiftieth) after Easter where we commemorate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the faithful. In 20:20 "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." This outpouring gave birth to the Church and its mission to be witnesses of the faith to make Christian disciples. Hence, Pentecost Sunday is also the birthday of the missionary church.

There was strong wind from the sky and tongues of fire came to rest on each of them. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they began to proclaim.



Truly, the power of the Holy Spirit is given to those obedient to God and empowers them to be witnesses to the ends of the earth! (Acts 5:32, Acts 18)

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*'As the Father sent me, so
am I sending you:
receive the Holy Spirit'*

John 20:19

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm

103(104):1,24,29-31,34

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

Gospel: John 20:19-23



OUR LOGO

The two 'C' stand for the Christ (outer circle) encompassing the community (inner circle).

Christ Jesus is always present in his Church. The golden stylised sword represents the community rooted in the word of God ready to move as represented by the wings spread out to bring the Kerygma as represented by the cross to everyone.

- The colours are that of the Archangel
- The sword and wing represent the Archangel who is always there as our guardian.

VISION

A vibrant loving community of **disciples making disciples** for the Kingdom of God

MISSION

To Create moments of God encounters

To Form Disciples in Christ

To Nurture community spirit through the Word of God

Liturgical Reflection (con't)

There are various manifestations of the Holy Spirit. The word manifestation means to make the intangible visible and able to be detected by our senses. For example, energy is intangible but shows itself in the form of electricity or sound. Similarly, each of us detects the Holy Spirit differently. Some internally experience warmth, others the shaking of hands and to others, the inner peace that calms the soul. Additionally, (1 Cor 12) *"to each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good."* There are external manifestations for the benefit of others as well – The gift of wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecy, tongues and the interpretation of tongues. These gifts are to be used to witness to the faith.

The celebration of Pentecost originates in Jewish Tradition to celebrate the gift of the law to Moses in the 10 commandments. It is not easy to live out the commandments in our lives. Our Heavenly Father knows this well and that is why He has given us the Holy Spirit! Physically, Jesus is with us no more but he does not leave us desolate. This is *'the advocate'* Jesus is talking about to strengthen our faith and obedience to the commandments.



Are you aware of the gifts allotted to you and are you using them regularly for the common good?

Are you afraid or do you reject the manifestations?

Matt 22:37 *"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind."* This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: *"You shall love your neighbor as yourself."* *The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments.* Truly, *"Love one another. As I have loved you, so you should love one another. This is how you all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."* (Jn 13:34-35) This is why Jesus says in today's Gospel reading that if we love him, we will keep his commandments and love our neighbour. If we believe in Him, we will obey Him. Thus, through the way we live our lives, we will prove to the world that we are witnesses of God!

Have you been keeping the commandments?

Is there room for improvement?

Liturgical Reflection (con't)



Together with the Holy Spirit, there is a desire not give in to the sins that dwell in us by our human nature. The Holy Spirit pricks us to turn away from temptation and is greatly saddened when we fall to evil. Responding to the Holy Spirit grows the fruit of the Spirit in our lives. Dearest brothers and sisters in Christ, may we be sensitive to the Spirit of Truth so that we are able to live our lives as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on your people and empower them on their mission!

Blessed birthday to all,
Marianne

“Whoever loves me keeps my word and my Father will love him and we will come to him and make our dwelling in him”
(Jn 14:23)

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Our Community n Fire!

How?

Continually ask for a
Renewal of the Holy Spirit in our lives!

Continually ask for a
Conscious experience of the risen Lord!

Alleluia!



Moments of God encounter

Change of heart

Praying in tongues

Alleluia!

Healing

Teaching

Repentance

Pentecost Rally 2019

6 to 8 Jun

Time: 7.30pm – 10pm



Why?



A vibrant loving community of disciples making disciples for the Kingdom of God

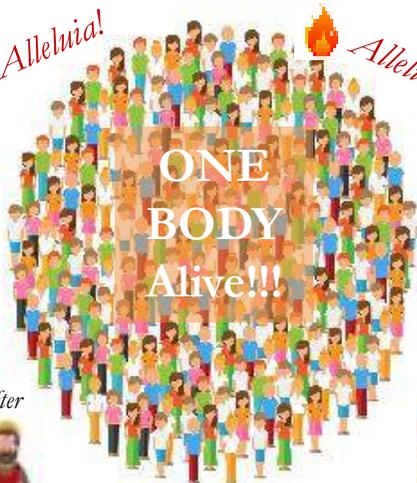
What?

Love and forgive each other

Community spirit through the Word of God

Broke bread together
Brotherhood
Praying
Teaching

Alleluia!



Alleluia!

Stay after EC to chat & share faith stories

Disciples in Christ



Teach one another



Empty our cup of judgement

Before

After



Exercise 7 Gifts of Holy Spirit

If we do not exercise 7 Gifts of the Holy Spirit, how do people know that Jesus is alive??

Build our community together!

By Julianne Danielle Lim

Let the Fire Fall, Holy Spirit!

8 Jun- 5.30pm
9 Jun- 8am, 10am, 5.30pm

Pentecost

9 Jun 2019

50 Days = 7 weeks

Feast of Firstfruits



Unleavened Bread

Beginning of Barley Harvest



Jesus shining into the dark of our hearts



The 12 Apostles

How do we know if our prayer life is fruitful? By the...

12 Fruits of the Holy Spirit!

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| Peace | Self- Control |
| Joy | Modesty |
| Patience | Charity |
| Kindness | Goodness |
| Gentleness | Generosity |
| Faithfulness | Chasity |

Praise the Lord, My Lord is Risen!

In the last 50 days, many of us rose from our own dead (*black cloth*) and was resurrected into the NEW life of Jesus! Have you noticed how many friends in our community have been transformed (*spot light shining into tomb*) by God? Have you been feeling very blessed and fortunate to be a part of this community?

Share your faith story with someone after EC!

The Nails represented what each of us committed to change



Peter

The Church was formed



REVEALED

Each day, each week, the Holy Spirit moves, a renewal happens, something different is seen, the church changes. And it is deliberate! The Easter décor team have been intentionally adding items each week, to keep our hearts pondering on the Word of God, the story at each station unfolds over the last 50 days. Here's what each station is meant!



Check out what each fruit means on the tree!

Who Am I?



What's my identity in Christ?

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| Special | Light |
| Precious | Set Free |
| Complete | Secure |
| Loved | Chosen |
| Handpicked | Anointed |
| Accepted | Witness |
| treasured | Irreplaceable |

Have you observed that many more sisters and brothers are more forgiving towards one another, gossip less, and are less quick to anger?



By Julianne Danielle Lim

GIFT Generously

Next weekend, 15/16 June, being the 3rd weekend of the month, there will be a second collection to receive your monthly pledges and contributions for the GIFT (Giving in Faith & Thankfulness) campaign to support the organisations and projects of the archdiocese. Every Catholic is encouraged to sign up for a pledge to help with continued support for the numerous archdiocesan organisations needed for the mission of the church. More info is available at gift.catholicfoundation.sg.

CHOICE Weekend

Ages (18 - 34): Sep 27 & Nov 29

Ages (35- 45): Jun 28

Venue: Choice Retreat House

Cost: \$90 (room and board)

Delight yourself in building authentic relationships and it'll reward you for a lifetime. Experience what really matters in life. Come to know, to love and to serve as Jesus has shown us. All found in a Choice weekend - treat yourself. Sign up today at our booth on the ground floor. This is applicable only to single adults.

ACMI Skills Development for Foreign Domestic Workers

Dates: 9, 16, 23 & 30 Jun, & 7 Jul

Time: 10am – 5pm

Venue: Agape Village, 7A Lor 8 Toa Payoh, Singapore 319264

Registration is open for Baking, Cooking, English Language, Dressmaking and many more courses. Download course schedule here: bit.ly/2Mpw025. To register, contact Jan or Theresa: 8600 3583 or visit Agape Village, Level 3 on the above dates and time to register.

Hey Catholics! Go Out Into The Whole World!

Date: 6 July 2019

Time: 1.30pm - 3pm

Venue: PSB Academy @ Marina Sq, 6 Raffles Blvd

Pope Francis announced the Extraordinary Missionary Month October 2019 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of Pope Benedict XV's Apostolic Letter Maximum Illud - a document that touches on reinvigorating the sense of responsibility for proclaiming the Gospel with new enthusiasm. On 6 July, Rev Fr Kenson Koh will touch on the significance of Maximum Illud. Organised by Office for the New Evangelisation.

To register visit: www.one.org.sg/events

Catholic Foundation Annual Dinner

Date: *Wednesday, 11 Sep 2019*

Time: *5:30pm*

Registration, Cocktail Reception, and FaithWorks: *a Christian themed art exhibition*

7pm Dinner

Venue: *The Commune, Village Hotel at Sentosa 10 Artillery Avenue, #02-01, Singapore 099951*

Catholic Foundation will be organising a dinner hosted by His Grace, Archbishop William Goh to raise the needed funds to fulfil the vision of our archdiocese. Tables are available for sale and it will be held at the newly-opened Village Hotel at Sentosa. To book a table or enquiries, please contact:

Caroline Kung at 6338-0348 or email cfddinner@catholic.org.sg.

Alternatively, visit

www.catholicfoundation.sg/cfdinner

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Priests of the Parish

Parish Priest: Fr. Terence Pereira (ext. 6)

Asst. Parish Priest: Fr. John Van Dich MEP (ext. 5)

Asst. Parish Priest: Fr. Augustine Joseph (ext. 10)

Parish Collection

Weekend Collections (for Archdiocese Media Apostolate)	\$5,932
For The Poor	\$6,437

Celebrant Schedule

Date	Eucharistic Celebration	Celebrant	Preacher
08 June	5.30 pm	Fr Terence	Fr Terence
09 June	10 am	Fr Terence	Fr Terence
09 June	5.30pm	Fr Augustine	Fr Terence
15 June	5.30 pm	Fr Terence	Fr Terence
16 June	10 am	Fr Terence	Fr Terence
16 June	5.30pm	Fr Augustine	Fr Terence

Eucharistic Celebration

Opening Hours

Weekend Eucharist
Sat Sunset: 5.30 pm (E)
Sun: 8 am (M), 10 am (E),
 5.30 pm (E)
Confession:
 30 mins before EC

Weekday Eucharist
Mon - Fri: 6.30 am & 6 pm
Sat: 6.30 am

Eucharist on Public Holidays
 7.30 am only

Holy Hour
 7.30 pm,
1st Fri of the month only.

Parish Admin Office
Mon - Fri: 8.30 am to 5 pm
Sat: 8.30 am to 11 am;
 2 pm to 4.30 pm
Sun: Closed

Adoration Room
 Daily: 7 am to 10 pm

Columbarium
 Daily: 7 am to 7 pm
 Prayers:
 every **3rd Sun** of the month only.
 9 am (M) & 11.30 am (E)

Canteen
 Sun: 7 am to 12 pm

(M): Mandarin; (E) English;
 (EC) Eucharistic Celebration

Notices

Fr. John van Dich on Leave

Fr John will be away on leave from 5 to 29 Jun 2019. We wish him "Happy holidays".



Wedding Bells

Those who desire to enter into the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony will have to book their wedding dates one year in advance. The booking will be confirmed only when the necessary documents are signed.

Infant Baptism

1st Saturday of Aug, Oct and Dec

Preparation for Infant Baptism

To help families prepare early for their baby's baptism, we invite pregnant mothers in their **second trimester** to register with the Parish Admin Office.

Email: csm.secretariat@catholic.org.sg.

Morning Bible Study

12 Jun, Wednesday

Fr Augustine will be commencing Bible Study (Book of Genesis) on Wednesday mornings at 9.30am. We will begin next Wednesday, 12 June at St Luke's room. All are welcome.

Bible Mondays

15 July to 16 Sept

Fr Terence will be teaching about the Prophet Amos on Monday nights. Stay tuned for more details.

24 Hours with the Lord

21 to 22 Jun,

Friday 7.30pm to Saturday 7.30pm

Worship Hall

As we are going to celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi, we invite you to prepare for this by spending 24 hours with the Lord and bathe in His love.

Please note: Adoration Room will be closed during this period.

Consecration of the Family to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

28 Jun, Friday

@ 6pm Eucharistic Celebration

On this day, we will have the consecration of the family to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Those interested, please take note.



Holy Hour

5 July, Friday @ 7.30pm

Eucharistic Celebration @ 8.30pm

Come abide with the Lord. Let us open our hearts to listen to our God whom we adore.



Evening Brew

19 July, Friday @ 7.30pm

Have a question about the Faith or Theology that needs quenching? Come you are thirsty! Come and unpack your deepest queries over a cuppa (of tea).

Get your E-bulletin

In our effort to do something for the environment, we encourage you to register with us for the E-bulletin by emailing our secretary @ csm.secretariat@catholic.org.sg.

Hardcopy bulletins are given out to those without email addresses/ elderly.

A Better Parish

Do you like this to be a better Parish?
Would you like to tell us?

