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Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity

2nd Sunday of Advent, 10 December



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Mass Timings

Weekday 6:30am; 6pm Saturday 6:30am; 5:30pm

Sunday

6:45am; 8:30am (Mandarin); 10:15am; 12pm & 5:30pm

Parish Office Monday - Friday

9am - 6pm

Saturday/Sunday

9am - 1pm

Public Holidays

Closed

Columbarium

Monday - Friday

9am – 6pm **Saturday**

10:30am - 6pm

Sunday

Open during Mass timings

Public Holiday

Closed

Weddings

Wedding bookings to be made 1 year in advance. Please enquire at the Parish Office.



"Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight." Mark 1:3

Hour of Prayer Monday, 11 Dec 8:00pm, Chapel

Christmas Eve Mass Sunday, 24 Dec 10:30pm (Carolling) 11:00pm (Mass) **Christmas Day Mass**

Monday, 25 Dec 6:45am

8:30am (Mandarin)

10:15am 12:00pm 5:30pm

Sunday Meditation 2nd Sunday of Advent, Year B Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11; Psalm 85:9-14; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God. (Mark 1:1)

Beginnings are important, and the beginning of Mark's Gospel is no exception. His very first sentence reads like a summary of the entire book: "The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ the Son of God" (Mark 1:1). So where does Mark start the story? He takes us to the Judean desert, where John the Baptist is preparing the way for the Christ, the Messiah

Contrary to expectations that the Messiah would bring Israel military liberation, John proclaims that Jesus will baptize his people in the Holy Spirit (Mark 1:8). He will open the way for God himself to dwell in them! That's why John offered baptism for the forgiveness of sins. He knew that Jesus had come to do something new, something astonishing. Repentance was the key that would help the Jews—and us—to receive this surprising good news.

In order to be ready, we need to empty ourselves of our old ways of thinking. That's where repentance comes in. It clears out the sin that clouds our vision of God. It removes our shame and guilt and delivers us from whatever blocks God's life from taking root in us. It makes us ready to receive God's forgiveness and helps us to become more aware of his abiding presence

within us.

Are there ways that you need a change of attitude or a new hope this Advent? As you prepare the way for Jesus during this holy season, go back to "the beginning" and listen to John the Baptist's message. Repentance is good news because it opens your heart to Jesus. So take advantage of opportunities to receive the Sacrament of

your capacity to receive him at Christmas. As Mark shows us in his Gospel, that's where it all begins.

"Jesus, help me to open my heart to you as I await your coming!"

Reflection from Word Among Us

Parish Activities

Sunday (10 Dec)

10:00am – 11:20am: Mandarin Divine

Mercy

4:00pm - 5:00pm: Legion of Mary

for children

(Mother of Holy Innocents)

Monday (11 Dec)

7:45pm – 9:30pm : RCIA Mandarin 8:00pm – 9:00pm : Hour of Prayer

Tuesday (12 Dec)

7:30pm - 9:30pm: Legion of Mary

Mandarin (天主之母)

Wednesday (13 Dec)

9:00am onwards : Church cleaning

(by Willing Hands)

10:00am - 12:00pm : JOY Ministry,

for the elderly

7:30pm - 9:30pm: Legion of Mary

(Our Lady of Charity)

Thursday (14 Dec)

10:00am - 11:30am : Legion of Mary

(Mary, Full of Grace)

Reconciliation this season. Let God expand

10:00am - 12:00pm: Catholic Praying

Mothers

: RCIA

7:45pm - 9:30pm8:00pm - 9:30pm: Lectors

8:00pm - 9:30pm: Legion of Mary

Mandarin (诸圣之母)

Friday (15 Dec)

7:00pm - 9:30pm: Divine Mercy Devotion

7:15pm - 9:15pm: Legion of Mary Mandarin

Saturday (16 Dec)

9:00am onwards

: Church Cleaning (by Willing Hands)

(圣母领报)

10:30am - 12:30pm : Holy Trinity Youth

1:00pm - 2:00pm: Legion of Mary

> Star of the New Evangelisation)

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: Legion of Mary

(Queen of Angels)

Other Timings

3:30pm - 5:00pm

Rosary Prayer before Mass Weekdays: 5:25pm @ Chapel

Saturday & Sunday: 4:55pm @ Main Church

Parish News

Hour of Prayer Monday, 11 Dec, 8:00pm Chapel

Come and pray together for the universal church.

Christmas Eve Mass Sunday, 24 Dec 10:30pm (Carolling)

Christmas Day Mass Monday, 25 Dec

11:00pm (Mass)

6:45am 8:30am (Mandarin) 10:15am 12:00pm

Catechism Registration 2024

5:30pm

Registration for Level 1 Catechism is open for children born in 2017 via mycatholic.sg. Instructions can be found on tinyurl.com/catechism2024.

Charismatic Prayer Community and Christian Meditation

The communities are on a break for December. Activities will resume in January 2024.

Archdiocese Events

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day Mass

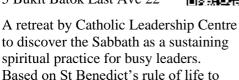
12 Dec, Church of Sts Peter and Paul Rosary @ 5:15pm, Mass @ 6:00pm

Inviting parishioners to join us in celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn Child, with Pro-Life Rosary followed by Mass and blessing of pregnant

'Keep the Sabbath Holy' Retreat Preventing Leaders' Burnout 12- 14 Jan 2024

St Damiano Franciscan Centre 5 Bukit Batok East Ave 22

women after Mass.



balance & integrate one's physical, mental, emotional and spiritual life. Please scan the QR code to register for the retreat.

Family Conference 2024

27 Jan 2024, 9:00am – 5:00pm St Francis Xavier Seminary Buildingo



In our very connected secular world, we are living disconnected lives in need of strategies to integrate our Catholic faith and values into our family life. Join us for the conference as we aim to address the challenges and opportunities of modern family life. Please scan the QR code to register for the conference.

My Personal Moral Compass Shortened Edition

18 Jan to 21 Mar 2024, 7:30pm – 9:30pm CANA at Catholic Centre, Level 3

My Personal Compass returns in a shortened edition this year. Come and get introduced to the basics of morality in an increasingly complex world. Build an ethical foundation to journey towards fulfilling your potential as a human person made in the image of God. Please scan the QR code to register.

Let's Gather, Meditate and Celebrate the New Year

4 Jan, 7:30pm – 9:30pm Church of the Holy Cross Auditorium



A New Year meditation event led by Peter Ng and Fr Eugene Vaz. Closing date for registration is on 18 Dec. Please scan the QR code to register.