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# Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent, 26 Feb 2023



#### **Priests**

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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

Public Holiday 9am

#### Parish Office

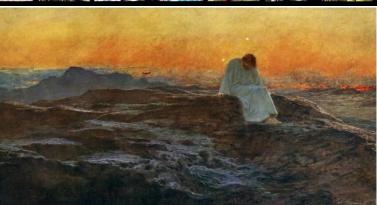
Monday - Friday 9am - 6pm Saturday/Sunday 9am - 1pm Public Holidays Closed

#### Columbarium

Monday - Friday 9am – 6pm Saturday 10:30am - 1pm Sunday Open during Mass timings Public Holiday Closed

#### Weddings

Preparations to be made 1 year in advance. Enquire at Parish Office



"You must worship the Lord your God, and serve him alone." (Matthew 4:10)

## Stations of the Cross Every Thursday in Teochew 8:00pm @ Chapel

Every Friday in English 3:00pm @ Chapel 6:30pm @ Main Church

# Sunday Meditation 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent, Year A Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Psalm 51:3-6, 12-13, 17; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11

#### You will be like gods. (Genesis 3:5)

We know what the first sin was: Adam and Eve disobeyed God by eating the forbidden fruit. But do you know what the first temptation was? "You will be like gods" (Genesis 3:5).

This is the temptation that has always plagued humanity. Like gods, we want to be in control. We want to decide what's right and wrong. We want the power, honor, and glory that belong only to the Lord.

This is the same temptation that Jesus conquered in his battle with Satan in the desert. In today's Gospel, the devil tries to tempt Jesus to rebel against his Father's plan. He taunts Jesus, saying, "If you are the Son of God . . . " (Matthew 4:3, 6). In other words, If you are really who you claim to be, don't wait for your Father's permission. Go ahead and act like God!

But Jesus "did not regard equality with God something to be grasped" (Philippians 2:6). Though he was God incarnate, he submitted to his Father's will each and every day. Finally, he undid that first sin of Adam when he offered himself on the cross to save us (Romans 5:12, 15).

This Lent, ask the Spirit to help you recognize where you are being tempted to rebel against God. It may be something subtle, like persisting in a bad habit. Or it may be something more obvious, like resisting God's will in a difficult situation.

Don't get discouraged if you see signs of rebellion. Instead, let the words of St. Paul in today's second reading encourage you: through Jesus' death and resurrection, we have all received an "abundance of grace" (Romans 5:17). That grace can help you overcome any temptation—including the temptation to be your own god! This Lent, just keep asking for God's grace, and trust that it will never run out.

*"Jesus, give me the grace to submit to you in all things."* 

#### **Reflection from Word Among Us**

**Parish Activities** 

#### Sunday, 26 Feb

10:20am – 11:40pm: Mandarin Divine
Mercy
4:15pm – 5:00pm : Legion of Mary Jr
(Mother of Holy
Innocents)
Tuesday, 28 Feb
7:30pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary,
Mandarin (天主之母)
8:00pm – 9:00pm : Christian Meditation
8:00pm – 9:30pm :Mandarin Bible
Studies
Wednesday, 1 March
9:00am onwards : Church cleaning
(by Willing Hands)
8:00pm – 9:00pm : Charismatic Prayer
Community
Thursday, 2 March
10:00am – 11:30am: Legion of Mary
(Mary, Full of Grace)
10:00am – 12:00pm: Catholic Praying
Mothers
7:00pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary
(Our Lady of Charity)
7:45pm – 9:30pm : RCIA English
8:00pm - 9:30pm : Lectors

# **Parish Activities**

#### Friday, 3 March

7:15pm – 9:15pm :Legion of Mary, Mandarin (圣母领报)
8:00pm – 9:00pm :Divine Mercy
Devotion
Saturday, 4 March
9:00am onwards : Church cleaning
(by Willing Hands)
9:00am – 11:30am: St Vincent de Paul
Ration Day
10:30am – 12:00pm: Holy Trinity Youth
11:30am – 1:00pm : Legion of Mary
(Mary, Star of the
New Evangelization)

## **Other Timings**

Rosary Prayer Weekdays: 5:25pm at Chapel Sunday & Saturdays: 4:55pm at Main Church

# Parish & Ministry News

#### **Traffic Wardens Needed**

Approach our Traffic Wardens on Sundays, or contact the parish office at: <u>htadmin@holytrinity.org.sg</u>

#### Rosary @ the Grotto

During Lent, Rosary prayers at the grotto will change from the first Fridays of the month to the first Tuesdays of the month due to Stations of the Cross.

# Archdiocese Events

## Special Needs Catechesis Dialogue

<u>Monday, 27 Feb 7:30pm – 9:30pm</u> Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre 2 Highland Rd, 549102 Organised by Office of Catechesis: Understand how the Office is catechizing for special needs and how you can become collaborators through the dialogue. Register: <u>www.catechesis.org.sg/2023-</u> <u>courses-events/SN-Dialogue</u>

# Archdiocese Events

## Canossa Catholic Primary School Stall

The school canteen has vacancies for Chinese Economy Rice and Western Food. Interested parties may contact the school at <u>CCPS@moe.edu.sg</u> or 6844 1418.

### Theology of the Body Course

<u>5 Thursday Evenings, 2 – 30 March</u> 8:00pm – 10:00pm Online via Zoom Understanding Sexuality, Love and the Meaning of Life is critical for marriage and sexual morality. It concerns the entire Gospel, Bible and Mission of Christ. A must for all in family, youth ministry and teen or adult catechesis; and all who want to make sense of sexual moral confusion and scandals in the Church and the world. Register: <u>http://tinyurl.com/ACT-Talk-Signup</u>

## Wisdom is the Cross-Lenten Retreat

Friday, 3 March – Sunday, 5 March Montfort Centre 624 Upper Bukit Timah Road, 678212 Enter the depths of mystery of the Wisdom of God, not in mere philosophy but in carrying the cross. Register: www.montfortcentre.org/events-

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### SHINE 23 Retreat

<u>Monday, 27 March – Fri, 31 March</u> Office for Young People 2 Lorong Low Koon, 536449 Annual retreat organised by Office for Young People for Polytechnic, ITE & Private Diploma students. Come for an opportunity to encounter Jesus and to know the various Catholic communities and friendships that can support your spiritual journey across the institutions. Fee: \$64.80

Register: tinyurl.com/shine23p

*View the bulletin online at:* <u>holytrinity.org.sg/weekly-bulletin/</u>.