

CANTEEN CLOSURE



THE CONNECTION FEBRUARY 2015 ISSUE

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)



Please note that the canteen will be **CLOSED** this weekend of **22nd February** due to the Chinese New Year holidays.

The **February 2015** edition of our quarterly newsletter invites us to contemplate the Mystery of the Cross so as to effect a deep conversion in our lives and be transformed during our Lenten journey in the desert. Reflect on Fr. Patrick's message, various sharing and insights and enjoy some delightful moments captured during the Feast day celebrations. Copies of **THE CONNECTION** are still available at the entrances of the Church. Do pick up a copy for your family this weekend.

From today's scriptural readings at Mass, we hear of a covenant and a pledge. In the Gospel, Jesus says, "Believe the Good News!" If you're **NON-CATHOLIC**, be an **ENQUIRER**, to discover what this Good News that Jesus speaks of, and what covenant and pledge he holds for you. As an enquirer, there is no pressure on you to become a Catholic and you are free to withdraw at any stage of this initiation.

If you're **CATHOLIC**, invite family and friends to be enquirers. Even if you don't bring anyone, you can still be a **COMPANION** to the enquirers. With the Psalmist, let us tell of the Lord's ways, which are faithfulness and love (cf. Psalm 24:10)!

The first meeting is on Wed, 4th Mar 2015 (7.30pm to 9.30pm), and every Wed thereafter. From Jun 2015, meetings will also be held every Sun (11.15am to 12.45pm). Register to be an enquirer or companion in the parish office, or ring 9-6666-542 for more information

LENTEN REFLECTION IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

COSE: Cathay/Ocean Park/Seaview/East Coast

KERL: Kew/Eastwood/Ria/Limau

LP+LV: Laguna Park and Lagoon View

Sennett/LH: Sennett and Lucky Heights

| NCC <u>1st WEEK</u> | DATE | TIME | HOME OF | ADDRESS | CONTACT |
|---------------------|-------------|--------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Bedok South | Sun, 22 Feb | 8.00pm | Alan & Helen | Blk 171 Bedok Sth Rd #10-407 | Cheryl @ 97473634 |
| Elliot | Mon, 23 Feb | 7.30pm | Joan Davidson | Blk 9 Jln Hajjah #04-02 Landbay | Angela @ 90176971 |
| Joo Chiat | Wed, 25 Feb | 7.30pm | John & Angela Tan | 29 Cheow Keng Place | John @ 64471668 |
| KERL | Thu, 26 Feb | 8.00pm | Margie & Andrew Leong | 42 Jln Limau Manis | Margie @ 91860772 |
| LP+LV | Wed, 25 Feb | 8.00pm | Edward Tan | Blk 5000J Lagoon View #20-43 | Edward @ 98620011 |
| Marine Crescent | Mon, 23 Feb | 8.00pm | Cecilia & James | Blk 43 #02-02 | Cecilia @ 93806372 |
| Marine Drive | Tue, 24 Feb | 8.00pm | Thomas & Daphne Wang | Blk 64 #12-146 | Ronnie @ 98264007 |
| Sennett/LH | Mon, 23 Feb | 8.15pm | James & Pady Goh | 29 Lucky Gardens | Raymond @ 96160306 |
| Telok Kurau | Mon, 23 Feb | 8.00pm | William & Cecilia | 80D Lor J Telok Kurau | Cecilia @ 92701217 |
| NCC <u>2nd WEEK</u> | DATE | TIME | HOME OF | ADDRESS | CONTACT |
| Bedok South | Thu, 26 Feb | 8.00pm | Martin & Monica | Blk 160 Bedok Sth Rd #12-539 | Cheryl @ 97473634 |
| COSE | Thu, 26 Feb | 8.00pm | Rita & Ron | Colisa Blk #16-01 Ocean Park | Rita & Ron @ 64449907 |
| Neptune Court | Tue, 24 Feb | 7.00pm | Linda de Souza | Blk 3 #04-65 | Linda @ 64423261 |



LENTEN FRIDAYS-STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday from **27th February onwards @ 6:30pm, followed by Mass at 7pm.**

DIVINE MERCY

The Divine Mercy Family Prayer Night will be held on **Thursday, 26th February @ 7.15pm.** Venue: Adoration Room.

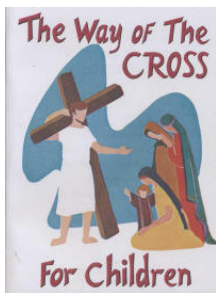


**CALL FOR OPEN
CATEGORY
NOMINATION
PARISH PASTORAL
COUNCIL (PPC)**



**RITE OF ELECTION
A FINAL REMINDER**

**LENTEN SHARING &
STATIONS OF THE
CROSS WITH CHILDREN**



Faith is not something decorative or for show. To have faith means to put Christ truly at the centre of our lives" - Pope Francis

Are you passionate and looking how to put **Christ and the Pastoral Concerns of your Brothers and Sisters at the Centre of Your Lives?** The Parish Pastoral Council is looking for enthusiastic parishioners to help in the PPC. The PPC assists the Parish Priest to identify the pastoral priorities of the parish by studying the needs of the parish and setting directions. **We need people who have open hearts and minds, ready to serve our parish.** Nomination forms can be obtained from the Parish Office and they are to be submitted **by 7th March** for the attention of Ms. Lena Quek, Chairperson, Parish Pastoral Council.

Incomplete nominations forms will not be accepted.

Our Parish will be hosting the Rite of Election on this **Sunday, 22nd February**. The car park will be **CLOSED from 1.00pm to 5.30pm** as we are expecting guests from other parishes of the Archdiocese. We ask parishioners to kindly move their cars immediately after the **11.30am Mass** or to consider making alternative parking arrangements around the parish. **Entry to the car park from 1.00pm will strictly be by Special Car Park Labels.**

Parent Formation Support Group and **Liturgy of the Word with Children** are jointly organising **Lenten Sharing** and **Stations of the Cross with children** to be held every Friday during Lent. All families are invited to join in.

Dates: 27 February, 6 March, 13 March, 20 March and 27 March 2015

Venue: RCIA Room (Lenten Sharing)
Sea Avenue (Stations of the Cross)

Time: 8.00pm – 9.30pm

Parents are encouraged to attend the Lenten Sharing while all the children will attend the Stations of the Cross with our Children Liturgists.

For more information, please contact Gwen Andres at 97315447 or Connie Yeo at 90012773



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| Holy Family Kindergarten | 64404344 |
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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

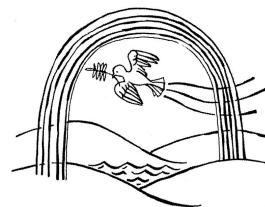
Tuesdays/Thursday 8pm : Wednesdays 7.30pm

Weddings

Apply at Parish Office at least 6 months in advance

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

February 22nd 2015 – Year B
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LENT

After the ark, the seedpod of creation that floated in the killing waters, comes the arch, the rainbow that bridges God's plan and human hopes. After the Baptismal plunge into Jesus' death come new life in Christ's resurrection. Jesus says, "Now is the time for hopes fulfillment-repent and believe." Springtime Lent opens us to newness and possibility. The Holy Trinity patiently tends our hopes, nourishing us on the Eucharist. Where do we set our hopes? Do we really want Lent's simple gifts to "come down where we ought to be"?

Sunday Missal Readings for next weekend - 1st March

Gn 22:1-2 9-13 15-18

Rom 8:31-34

Mk 9:2-10