



1st Reading: Gen 12, 1-4a

2nd Reading: 2 Tim 1, 8b-10

Gospel: Mt 17, 1-9

The Parish Priest Writes...

We are deeply saddened by the great sufferings in the world today. Our brothers and sisters in Christ are experiencing great traumas in the tragedies of political upheaval and unrest in the Middle East and North Africa. These have claimed the lives of thousands of innocent people and displaced hundreds of thousands from their homes and countries.



Recent environmental calamities of earthquakes in Christchurch, New Zealand and Yunan, China too have wiped out cities and destroyed lives tragically. Nearer home, our brothers and sisters particularly in Sendai, Japan too have been struck by an earthquake that unleashed a Tsunami that destroyed everything in its path and more recently, creating a crisis of radiation from their nuclear plants.

Let us not only respond generously to the appeals of Caritas Internationalis, Singapore, but also pray fervently for these brothers and sisters of ours that the Divine Mercy of God would restore the hopes of all our brothers and sisters who are suffering so much. Lord in Your Mercy, hear our prayers.

Fr. Philip Heng, S.J.

Sunday Reflection by Fr. Gerry Keane, S.J.

I awake today to the sounds of a radio solemnly reporting the latest disasters in Japan. We have scarcely recovered from the havoc in New Zealand to be greeted by further visitations to our planet of thorough destruction and overpowering.

Then I read the "good news" of a visit to our planet of a mysterious figure presenting himself as the saviour of mankind. All this as the account of my belief. Where am I? And what do I really believe?

I believe that despite such strong evidence to the contrary that victory lies hidden beneath it all. The phenomenon of Mt. Tabor, strange as it may appear, is, if we really know ourselves, the story of our own lives. We live not so much on the occurrences of every day as on the rare moments when mystery and things as they really are reveal themselves. These are the occasions when God and truth reveal themselves. They may come in the simplest of events but bring to them a transformation that is so effective. Peter, James and John needed such insight to guide God's church. They needed to see God in one special way. What more does the world need today?

Let us pray to learn that the presence of God lies in the undiscovered mystery of the moment.



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* Mon – Thurs 9:00AM-6:00PM • Fri 12:00NN-8:00PM • Sat 9:00AM-1PM		



Parish News

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

every Friday during Lent at 5.45 pm followed by Mass.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & ADORATION for young adults

on Friday 25 Mar from 8 pm - 10 pm at St. Francis Xavier Chapel (Kingsmead Hall)

Join us for an evening of reflection on the Stations of the Cross followed by Adoration & Benediction.

Email: gen.christ.ministry@gmail.com

WEEKEND CATECHISM - Catechism for students attending local schools

- Term 1: Due to the Term 1 holidays, there will be no catechism for the weekend of 19/20 March.
- Term 2: Classes will resume on 26/27 March with meetings for all Primary 6 parents that weekend during class times for Sat (4.30 pm - 5.30 pm at #02-02) and Sun (10 am - 11 am at St. Ignatius Hall) respectively.
- Bible Questions: Children and youth are invited to submit any questions they may have about the Bible upon their return in Term 2. The questions are part of preparation towards Bible Sunday in July. Questions can be submitted to the class catechists.
- Sec 3: Trip to Botanic (Sun 27 Mar 8.00 am - 11.45 am): Please ensure you have received the Consent Form for the event to mark a milestone in the Confirmation Journey. Consent forms to be brought on Sunday 27 Mar and all to meet at the black table area of Kingsmead Hall by 7.55 am. Please contact Hans Avinder (90024232) or Sophia Sjariffudin (96839266) for any queries.
For enquiries for weekend catechism do email Lesley Goonting: lessgd@yahoo.com.sg or Emily Chiu gechiu@singnet.com.sg

LEADING LITTLE ONES TO GOD

no class on Sunday 20 Mar due to Term 1 holidays.
Class will resume on Sunday 27 Mar 2011.

FARRER COURT NEIGHBOURHOOD GATHERING

on Sunday 3 Apr, 7.15 pm at Sacred Heart Hall canteen
All Farrer Court neighbours are invited to our first 2011 gathering for a potluck. Email lessgd@yahoo.com.sg of your attendance by 27 March.

NAMLY AVENUE/CRESCENT/GROVE/RISE NGs

March Prayer Meeting on Thursday 24 Mar at 8 pm
Venue: Home of Rosalind and James Lee
63 Mount Sinai Drive #02-05 MontView Tel: 6469 5352

CHARISMATIC RENEWAL & PRAYER MEETING

on Wednesday 23 Mar, 8 pm at St. Ignatius Hall
"Praying & Speaking in Tongues" have often caused confusion. Matthew Tay hopes to share light on this.

LENTEN REFLECTIONS AND PRAYERS by Young Adults Ministry every Wednesday from 16 March at 7.45 pm at the AV Room of Sacred Heart Hall for all young adults
Please contact us via email (yam.stignatius@gmail.com), or call Tinu (91069125) or Terence (97467549).

What's Coming Up?

COMBINED GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS OF THE JESUIT CHURCHES OF ST. IGNATIUS, S'PORE AND ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, P.J.

Pilgrimage including Mass on St Paul's Hill in Malacca on 20th and 21st August 2011.

Luxury coaches provided to ferry parishioners to and fro Hotel Equatorial. Cost per person is S\$150 which includes transportation, one-night stay and all meals.

Limited places available. Please Book Now! Forms are at the Place of Gathering.

For queries, please contact Matthew Raj (9667-6690) or Alice Ling (9828-0626).

RCIA & RCIY Formation Registration forms are now available at the Place of Gathering. Please fill them and put them into the box provided. (Forms are also available at our Parish website: www.stignatius.org.sg). Bring your non-Christian and Christian Protestant friends who wish to know more about our Catholic Christian faith. **All RCIA sessions** are given by **Fr. Philip Heng, S.J.** You are each responsible for encouraging someone to become a Catholic. **EVANGELISE OUR CATHOLIC FAITH NOW!**

EASTER ART EXHIBITION

De Vita Christi, the youth community of the parish, will be holding an ART EXHIBITION that will consist of artistic creations of all kinds. All youth and young adults are warmly invited to submit their original artwork built upon the Easter Theme of "RE: New". Submission ends Sunday 17 April at 11 pm, so start creating your masterpiece today!

PARISH BLOOD DONATION DRIVE on 13th March, 2011:

Number of Respondents: 54
Number donated: 42

We would like to thank those who have come forward to donate their blood.



RIP News - Risen in the Lord

Constance Lim Wen Mai – 73 years old

Death: 14 March 2011

Funeral Mass: 15 March 2011

Thomas Goh Teng Siong – 83 years old

Death: 14 March 2011

Funeral Mass: 18 March 2011



**GROWING IN
GOD'S LOVE
AND WAYS ...**

50TH ANNIVERSARY

12TH FEBRUARY 2011

A YEAR OF CELEBRATIONS

SUFFERINGS - DISASTERS IN THE WORLD:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,
Please **READ** and **REFLECT ON** our Archbishop's Message. Then, **PRAY** about the millions of people suffering in the world - **TODAY**. Finally, **RESPOND GENEROUSLY** to the plight of these brothers and sisters of ours **PERSONALLY** in accordance to how the **HOLY SPIRIT** will move you.

God bless

Fr. Philip Heng, S.J.

ARCHBISHOP'S MESSAGE

Natural Disasters & Crises

Earthquakes have recently occurred in New Zealand, China and Japan. The resulting tsunami and explosions at the Fukushima nuclear plant from the Japan earthquake have wide ranging impact in Asia. Australia is recovering from major floods and fires. Meanwhile, there is major unrest in the Middle East and North Africa, especially in Libya and Yemen. Millions are adversely affected while more than 10,000 have died.

Worldwide humanitarian efforts by the Church are led by Caritas Internationalis. In Singapore, our response is coordinated by CHARIS. Should you wish to donate to these humanitarian situations, please send a crossed cheque payable to "Humanitarian Aid Fund," optionally indicating any specific situation on the back. All cheques should be mailed to: CHARIS, 55 Waterloo Street #09-03A, Singapore 187954, with your contact information for the donation receipt. Overseas donations are not tax-deductible. Please contact Stephen Phoon at 6338-0182 or info@charis-singapore.org for further information.



*Japan
Tsunami
and
Earthquake*



*Yunnan – China
Earthquake*



New Zealand Earthquake



Charities Week 2011

The Church traditionally fundraises during the Season of Lent in support of the poor and needy. In this second weekend of Lent, we will distribute the Charities Week 2011 appeal envelope. Donations towards Charities Week provide core funding to support the charitable work of Caritas Singapore and many Catholic charity and community organisations under its umbrella for our brothers and sisters in need.

Our Catholic charities and groups serve a wide spectrum of needs such as the poor, families and children, prisoners, migrant workers, and persons with HIV/AIDS. This year, we have 3 new organisations formed to fill community needs of the physically challenged, the mentally challenged and also for overseas humanitarian aid.

Please pick up an appeal envelope and give generously. It will enable our Catholic charities to further their cause and do more to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in our midst.




Charities
Week 2011

19 - 27 March 2011




Charities Week 2011 is organized by Caritas Singapore Community Council
55 Waterloo Street #09-03 Singapore 187954
W: www.caritas-singapore.org E: info@caritas-singapore.org
T: 6337 3711 F: 6337 7101






Prayers & Devotions

WEEKLY:

Intercessory Prayers

Tuesdays, 2.30 pm at
Prayer Room (Sacred Heart Hall)

Gentle Light

Tuesdays, 10 am – 12 noon at
Prayer Room (Sacred Heart Hall)
Thursdays, 10 am – 12 noon at
Sacred Heart Canteen (Room SH-A)

Charismatic Renewal & Prayer Group Meetings

Wednesdays, 8 pm at St Ignatius Hall

Christian Meditation

Fridays, 2.30 pm at St Francis Xavier
Chapel (Kingsmead Hall)

Rosary in Church (Monday to Friday)

After 7am Mass
5.25 pm - 5.45 pm before 6 pm Mass

Divine Mercy Devotion

Every Fridays, 6.30pm in Church after
the 6pm Mass (except 1st Friday Mass)

MONTHLY:

Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass

Every FIRST Friday, 8pm (NO 6pm Mass)

Sunday Masses

Sat : 6pm
Sun: 6.45am, 8.15am, 10.15am,
12noon & 6pm

Weekday Masses

Mon - Fri: 7am & 6pm; Sat: 7am

Confessions

Every Friday and Saturday at 5.40pm
Every Sunday Mass - 20mins before
Mass begin

Infant Baptisms

On the 2nd Sunday of each month
at 4pm. Registration forms from the
Church office

Weddings

Couples must make yourselves
known to the priest 6 months ahead
before booking the church

Church Office

At the Attic, 3rd floor (at the back of
the church building)

Entrance via, 8 Victoria Park Road

Kingsmead Hall (Priests' Residence),
St Ignatius Hall, Sacred Heart Hall,
Jesuit Novitiate,
Centre for Ignatian Spirituality &
Counselling

Columbarium Opening Hours

Monday to Sunday: 7 am – 7 pm;
Public Holiday: Closed

Inigo Bookstore King's Rd Entrance

Monday to Thurs: 9.00am to 1.30pm
Friday: 1:00 – 5:00pm
Sat: 9:00am-12 noon; 4pm-6pm
Sun: 8:30am-1:30pm; 5.30-6pm;
7-7:20pm



GROWING IN GOD'S LOVE AND WAYS...



The logo in the shape of a **Fish** as a symbol of **Christ**. It is swimming upwards and at its centre is a **Cross**. These symbolises the **Christ-centered dynamic growth** of the Parish Community in **God's love and ways**.

The stylized fish logo has a big 'S' for an upper body ending with the tail; the cross at the centre of the fish forms the 'I' and the letter 'I' on the far right of the fish stands for "Ignatius." Thus, the fish designed with the letters "St I" are the initials for "St Ignatius".

Our Parish community's **Christ-centered focus** is lived out through integrating the **Ignatian charism** of "finding God in myself, others and all situations for God's Greater Glory; as embodied in our Parish Goal.

Further Reflection on Logo:
The Cross has four shades of colours: the bottom two colours **red** (left) and **blue** (right), could symbolise Christ's shedding of **blood and water** respectively.

These **four colours** could also symbolise how Ignatian Spirituality is the living out of the **Four Gospels**.

PARISH GOAL

"Finding God in Myself,
Others and All Situations for
God's Greater Glory"

Living the Goal through
Ignatian Spirituality –
3 Dimensions:

1. Spiritual – Personal and Vocational:

Developing a Personal Relationship with the Lord through a meaningful Prayer Life and growing in the holiness of one's vocation.

2. Communitarian (7 "larger families"):

Building Christ-centred communities through parish activities, outreach to Christian friends and those of other beliefs, and especially in Eucharistic celebrations.

3. Social Mission:

Committing ourselves to the justice and care of the poor and needy of our society, and the world around us.

Archdiocesan News

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (MPC)

For couples intending to get married.

2nd Quarter (Q2) Course Starts: 1st May 2011 (Q3:10 July & Q4:9 Oct)

Allocation of places is on a first-come-first-served basis. Application forms obtainable in church office or our website @ www.catholic.org.sg/mpc

Enquiries: Fred & Ruby @ 91142862 or email: mpcsingapore@gmail.com

WORKSHOPS BY CHRISTOPHER WALKER FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Music for Children's Liturgy (Fee: \$20 per person)

Date : Wednesday 6 April, 2011 Time : 7.30pm - 9.30pm OR

Date : Saturday 9 April, 2011 Time : 3.00pm - 5.30pm

Venue : CAEC Auditorium (Catholic Archdiocese Education Centre)

2 Highland Road, Singapore 549102

For more information, visit <http://www.ocp.org/artists/265>

Jesuit News

RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE - 3-week non-residential retreat

This retreat is for those who wish to encounter God in their everyday lives. Participants are required to pray at home and then meet their Spiritual Director twice a week on a one-to-one basis. It's an opportunity to explore faith journey and relationship with God.

Retreat Directors: Celina Lin, Diana Koh, Diana Tan, Elizabeth Oliveiro, Joy Toh,
Roselie Chia Dates: 27 March to 16 April Contribution: \$90

Please register via email cisc2664@gmail.com or call: 6467-6072

Website: <http://www.catholic.org.sg/cisc>

Jesuit Community at Kingsmead Hall Tel: 6466 3225

Fr Gerard Keane, SJ, Fr Gerald Tseng, SJ, Fr Leslie Raj, SJ, Sch Gregory Tan, SJ, Sch Eugene Koh, SJ

Fr Paul Goh, SJ Tel: 6464 9866

Fr Anthony Ponnudurai, SJ Tel: 6464 9652

Fr Colin Tan, SJ Tel: 6469 7356,

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Ignatian Spirituality Centre Tel: 6467 6072

Jesuit Refugee Service Tel: 6463 6022