

COTT



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CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

25 Mar 2018

PALM SUNDAY

Is 50:4-7 • Phil 2:6-11 • Mk 14:1-15,47

SECOND COLLECTION – 4th Weekend of the Month

This weekend's second collection is to help us raise the balance of \$23m that we need to pay off the loan from the Titular Roman Catholic Archbishop of Singapore (TRCAS) for the building of our church. Please give generously, thank you.

LENT
Pray + Fast + Give

CHRISM MASS 2018 – Blessing of the Holy Oils

Celebrated by His Grace, Archbishop William Goh and all priests.

Date: 29 March, Thursday Time: 10.30am

Venue: Church of the Transfiguration

Please note that parking will be strictly for priests and invited guests; entrance to the church is via the Out Gate only and the church gate opens at 8am.

Lenten Penitential
Service - Monday,
26 Mar @ 8pm

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE @ COTT

Palm Sunday, 25 March – Mass Timings as usual

Maundy Thursday, 29 March – Mass at 8pm (No Mass at 6.30am and 6.30pm)

Good Friday, 30 March – Services at 9am & 3pm; Stations of the Cross at 7pm

Easter Vigil, 31 March – Mass at 8pm

Easter Sunday, 1 April – Mass Timings as usual

ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS NICHOLAS CHIA'S 80th BIRTHDAY

The Archdiocese of Singapore will be celebrating the 80th Birthday of Msgr. Nicholas Chia with a Thanksgiving Mass on Saturday, 7th April 2018 at 10:30am at the Church of the Holy Cross. After the Mass, there will be a reception buffet for invited guests only.

Whenever we celebrate Palm Sunday I remember how the people lined the streets waving palms and anything they could hold to welcome the Lord Jesus, probably hoping He would become king. There they shouted,

"Hosanna in the highest. Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens!"

Yet five days later they shouted, "Crucify him! Crucify him!"

The fickleness of mind exists in every one of us. We could have done the same if we were there.

The promises we made at baptism, confirmation, wedding and even ordination could be like Palm Sunday where we pledged our faith and loyalty, but when something goes wrong that does not meet our expectations, we waver and switch camp. There were also those who followed Jesus and, in the end, failed Him, like Peter who denied Him, the rest of the disciples who hid away throughout Jesus' passion, except John. Yes, they were weak, but they never left Jesus' friendship.

We may be weak within, but we should never allow our weakness to make us switch camp.

Like the disciples, one day the Lord will strengthen us to be apostles for Him. Then our

"hosanna in the highest" will be an eternal cry in our hearts. *Fr Joachim's Daily Reflection – B080*

UPCOMING

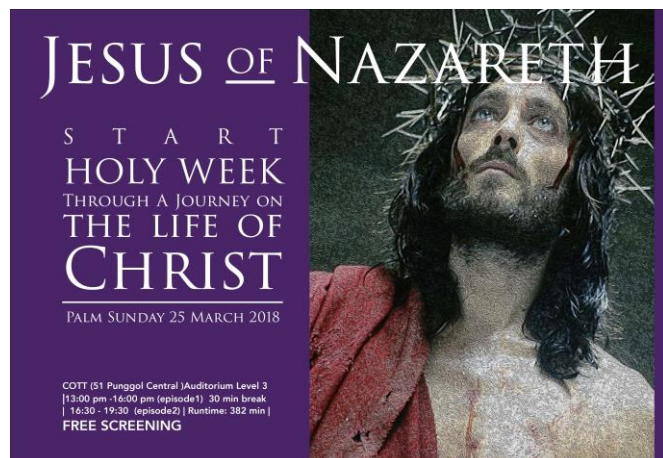
EVENTS

IN THE PARISH

MOVIE SCREENING @ COTT JESUS OF NAZARETH

Date: 25 March, Sunday
Time: 1.00pm – 4.00pm (Part 1)
4.30pm – 7.30pm (Part 2)
Venue: Auditorium, Level 3

Admission is free. All are welcome!



THE R.C.I.A. JOURNEY

Seeking for meaning in life or wanting to know more about God?
Come and join us! Weekly sessions are held on Fridays at 7.45pm
@ Auditorium, Level 3.

If you know of friends who wish to embark on this amazing journey,
please invite them to come and join us. Registration forms at the Parish Office.

TRANSITION TO PRIMARY SCHOOL

Parents of pre-schoolers are invited to a talk by the Principal of a Catholic primary school, focusing on the important areas you will need to consider in preparing your children to go to Primary One. **There are 2 talks for you to choose either one:**

Date: 7 April, Saturday Time: 2.00pm – 3.00pm **OR**

Date: 8 April, Sunday Time: 9.00am – 10.00am

Venue: COTT Auditorium, Level 3 All are welcome!

TALK on NONVIOLENT COMMUNICATION @ COTT Auditorium, Level 3

Learn how to express and receive communication using the Nonviolent Communication (NVC) process developed by the late Dr. Marshall B. Rosenberg, Ph.D. With NVC we learn to hear our own deeper needs and those of others. Through its emphasis on deep listening—to ourselves as well as others—NVC helps us discover the depth of our own compassion.

NVC can be seen as both a spiritual practice that helps us see our common humanity, using our power in a way that honours everyone's needs, and a concrete set of skills which help us create life-serving families and communities. People who practice NVC have found greater authenticity in their communication, increased understanding, deepening connection and conflict resolution. All are welcome and you can choose to come on **either Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning.**

Topic	Sat, 2.00 – 3.30pm	Sun, 9.00 – 10.30am
How to speak in such a way that you will be heard	14 April	15 April
How to listen such that others will love to talk to you	21 April	22 April

FROM THE CATECHETICAL OFFICE

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILDREN

Principles of Relating with Children

The next two sessions conducted by Fr Joachim will be as follows: -

Monday, 2 April on 'Spirituality'

Monday, 9 April on 'The Prodigal Experience'.

Talks will be held in the Auditorium on Level 3 at 8.00pm.

Talk on 'Child Development – Age Group Characteristics' will begin in July.

Catechism Sessions

Catechism Sessions for all children resume this weekend, 24 March (Saturday) and 25 March (Sunday).

Please refer to the church website at www.transfiguration.sg for Term Calendars.

Holy Saturday & Easter – 31 March & 1 April

There are no Catechism sessions on 31 March (Saturday) and 1 April (Sunday). Catechism sessions will resume on 7 April (Saturday) & 8 April (Sunday).

Parents' Sessions

After a review of the sessions conducted in the first term and from feedback gathered, we will not be holding any more weekly sessions for parents during Catechism time. The sessions will be conducted periodically and details of the sessions will be made known in advance through the Parish Bulletin.

Volunteer in the Catechetical Ministry

The Ministry is desperately in need of Catechists / Catechist Assistants (with or without experience) to support our programme, particularly on Saturdays.

We also require:

- Trained Professionals who are able to handle children with special needs;
- Volunteers with experience in handling children with special needs;
- Volunteers who are able to assist in admin work (on either Saturday and/or Sunday)

Contact us at catechetics@transfiguration.sg for more information.

WEEKLY RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES @ COTT

BREATHING EXERCISES FOR HEALTHY LIVING - *for holistic wellness of body, mind and spirit*

Every Monday & Thursday at 9am Venue: Ground Level

ORIGAMI CLASSES @ COTT

Every Tuesday from 2.00pm – 5.00pm

The class is free but participants will have to bear the cost of the materials. Please register at the Parish Office.

UKULELE GROUP

Every Friday from 2.00pm – 5.00pm

Venue: St Mother Teresa's Corner (next to the canteen)

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday

6.30am & 4pm (Sunset Mass)

Sunday

7am, 9am, 11am & 5pm

Weekdays

6.30am & 6.30pm

Public Holidays

8am ONLY

NOVENA:

3.15pm (Saturday)

DAILY ROSARY:

7am (Monday to Saturday)

6pm (Monday to Friday)

CONFESSION:

15 minutes before weekend Masses

OPERATING HOURS:

Parish Office

9.00am – 8.00pm (Mon - Fri)

*12noon – 1pm (Closed)

9.00am – 7.30pm (Sat)

8.00am – 6.30pm (Sun)

Adoration Room

7.00am – 9.45pm

St Teresa of Calcutta's Corner

9.00am – 8.00pm (Weekdays)

St Dominic Savio's Corner

9.00am – 8.00pm (Weekdays)

Spiritus Sanctus Bookstore

Saturday: 2.00 – 6.00pm

Sunday: 8.00am – 6.30pm

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PARISH INFORMATION

COMMUNITY PRAYERS AT COTT

Divine Mercy Devotion is held daily (Monday – Friday) at 3.00pm in the main church.

Mothers' Prayer is held weekly on Mondays from 2.30pm – 4pm in Room 3.6.

Intercessory Prayer is held weekly on Wednesdays at 8pm in Room 3.6.

The Rosary is prayed in Chinese on Wednesdays at 8pm in Room 4.4.

Charismatic Prayer Meeting is held on Thursdays at 8pm in Room 3.2. All are welcome.

Holy Hour is held on the first Wednesday of every month at 8.00pm in the main church.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus is held on the first Friday of every month at 7.00pm after the evening Mass in the main church.

EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

COME HOME!

Rediscovering one's faith alone is difficult.

Landings offers you a safe space to rediscover your faith together with those who share similar struggles.

Our 10-week Landings programme starts on 6 April at the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd. Come explore a possible return with us. Please email cathedral@landings.org.sg.

Registration closes on 30 March.

PIETA SINGAPORE

PIETA is a support group for bereaved parents who seek God's comfort, wisdom and hope through prayer and reflection on the WORD OF GOD.

Next Session: Tuesday, 27 March 2018

Time: 7.30pm – 9.00pm Venue: Agape Village

Contact: pieta.singapore@gmail.com

WEEKEND RETREAT

A Spirituality for the Second Half of Life

The weekend retreat deals with the experience of transition that moves us into midlife – a stage of personal growth and development. Recommended for 38 years and above.

Date: 13 April, Friday, 8pm – 15 April, Sunday, 1pm

Venue: Montfort Centre

Registration: Call 6565 2895 or 9722 3148 or email cenaclemissionsingapore@gmail.com

FAMILY CAMP

Spend some time away with your family to encounter God in each other! Sessions for children, teenagers, and adults.

Venue: Batam View Beach Resort, Indonesia

Dates: 31 May to 03 June 2018

Fees: SGD 350 per Adult / Teen & SGD 200 per Child

Register at www.one.org.sg/events