



Talitha Kum — Get Up and Walk!

“I am afraid and scared.” I asked, “What are you scared of?” “My Dad is dying...” Silence.

What do you say when faced with such a poignant pensive statement? Every one has to confront the inevitable – the end of life. The day when we leave this world, the moment in time when we take our last breath – is not a thought we like to face up to. It is understandable.

REFLECTION

Perseverance in Prayer

✝ What does it mean to have faith? Faith is free, a gift. Faith is not understanding, but believing and living for Christ.

Jesus healing the crowd is the real truth of his love for us. The evidence of history tells us so that Jesus is stronger than any pain and suffering. Suffering is not bad – Jesus never suggests that it will be gone easily.

In everything, Jesus sees the sufferer’s faith. With deepest sympathy, his heart overflows for us. By our prayer and service in loving one another, every human suffering and pain is directed to Christ. It is our way to the door that leads to God.

FR GERRY KEANE, SJ

Death is a taboo. It is in the realm of fear and superstition and mystery. But for us who are Christians, Jesus breaks down our wall of fear, self-preservation and protectionism, and opens the Door of Life to us.

How well we live our lives will be a measure of how well we will die. When we live our faith well, we have nothing to fear. When it is time, we merely say goodbye and walk on to cross the finishing line calmly to claim our prize — the World Cup of Eternal Glory!

Wherever we are, Jesus confronts and confirms our faith. He tells us that death is a “sleep”. *“This child is not dead, but asleep.”* (Mk 5:40).

The response of the onlookers was one of amusement. They laughed at him. Perhaps they were afraid, for death is not a “laughing matter”. Perhaps, their faith is found wanting.

“Do not be afraid, only have faith.” (Mk 5:37). Jesus affirms this response. What are we to do? To love is to be ready to die for love. Jesus loves us enough to die for us. Why should we be afraid or be scared? **“Have faith, hope and hold firm to Jesus.”** These were

ST IGNATIUS LONG SERVICE AWARD

To honour parishioners who have given their time and service in various ministries for 20 years or more, we are inviting nominations. Details and nomination forms are available at Place of Gathering and on our website.

the words of one man, Dr Sylvester Yong, who said them just before he crossed the finishing line about five years ago.

Each day – we sleep and we get up and we walk. It will be no different on the final day. Jesus will say to us, **“Talitha Kum.”** And then, the difference will be that we will find ourselves in another room, another house — Our Lord’s House where we shall dwell in love and joy.

Having seen so many deaths, I know that **having faith is the key to opening the door to heaven.** It’s like God handing you the key and asking you to come in to his house as and when you please. And at the pearly gates – he stands, smiles and welcomes you with joy saying, **“Make yourself at home!”**

FR COLIN TAN, SJ



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Fr Colin Tan, SJ Parish Priest ★ Fr Matthew Tan, SJ Assistant Parish Priest ★ Fr Jerome Leon, SJ Assistant Parish Priest

Angela Kurnadi Parish Administrator ★ Joyce Setiawan Parish Accountant ★ Jeremy Aloysius Catechetical Director ★ Gerard Robert Youth Coordinator ★ Cheryl Lek Youth Coordinator
Robert Ong Sacristan ★ David Saw Operations Manager ★ Steven Leong Facilities Manager ★ Therese Gian Communications Manager

PARISH NEWS

This weekend's collection is for **PETER'S PENCE**, an annual contribution to the Holy Father. It was started in the 8th Century by the Anglo-Saxons. Let's help the Holy Father to help others! Your contribution, however small, is important. The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father are used to meet the needs of the Church, for humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects.

FIRST FRIDAY – SACRED HEART OF JESUS MASS

Friday 6 July, 8.00pm

Please note that there will be NO 6.00pm Mass. Come with family and friends to renew your consecration to the Heart of Jesus. All are welcome.

THEMATIC MASSES

Next weekend Saturday 7 and Sunday 8 July.

Saturday, 6.00pm – Family Mass

Sunday, 8.15am – Children's Mass

Sunday, 12.15pm – Youth Mass

We want to encourage greater participation of children, youth and families so that they can take ownership of the Mass, and together make all feel at home in St Ignatius Church. Please make a special effort to join us.

BIBLE SUNDAY

On next week's Bible Sunday 8 July, all children are invited to come dressed as their favourite Bible character at the 8.15am and 10.15am Masses.

MOVIE SCREENING – THE CASE FOR CHRIST

All are welcome to the screening of *The Case For Christ*, a true story based on the best-selling book by Lee Strobel. In celebration of Bible Sunday, and in collaboration with the CANA Film Festival. Registration forms for catering purpose are available at Place of Gathering and at our website.

Date: Next Saturday, 7 July

Time: 7.45pm to 10pm

Venue: Main church

FEAST OF ST IGNATIUS FIESTA

Gather as a parish family to celebrate with great food, arts and crafts, entertainment and games including "dunking our parish priests". Sunday 29 July, 8am to 3pm. Get your tickets early at the Place of Gathering to help us estimate numbers for catering. Organized by the Parish Fiesta Committee and Jesuit Refugee Service Singapore, in collaboration with CHARIS. All proceeds go to Caritas Bangladesh for the Rohingya Refugees in Cox's Bazar. More info at www.jrssg.org

Get friends and family to help operate a stall. Contact Raymond Thng at raymond.thng37@gmail.com or pick up a form at the Place of Gathering.

LEADING LITTLE ONES TO GOD 2018

MID-YEAR REGISTRATION

Now Open: Mid-year registration for 2018 K1 class, which begins from Saturday 7 July, 3pm to 4:30pm. Registration: <https://goo.gl/ChpWbL> (case-sensitive).

LLOTG classes for K1 and K2 Term 3 begins Saturday 7 July.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR (LISS) – SALVATION

In John 10:10: Jesus said that he came so that we may have life and have it in abundance. Jesus has laid the foundation of our eternal life so that when we accept him, we may have it to the fullest. He will give us the strength to be his disciple.

All are welcome this Wednesday 4 July at St Ignatius Hall. Start at 7.30pm with light dinner and fellowship, and end at 9.30pm.

MY CHILD IS MADE FOR MORE workshop organised by the Family Life Society is cancelled due to poor response.

RCIA – *Come and experience the fullness of life!*

A special invitation for inquirers of the Catholic faith and sponsors to join the next RCIA journey, beginning: Tuesday 3 July, for Sponsors and Facilitators, Tuesday 7 August, for Inquirers. Thereafter every Tuesday, 8-10pm, at St Ignatius Hall. For information, contact: Parish office: Angela (6466 0625) | RCIA: Sandra (9628 6472). Register Now at <https://tinyurl.com/stignatius-rcia>



RCIY

Invite non-Catholic friends and family, aged 17-24, to RCIY and share the joy of the faith today.

Saturday 14 July, Welcome Tea and Info session, 4-6pm

Saturday 21 and 28 July, First two sessions, 4-6pm

Subsequent sessions every Tuesday from 7 August, 8-10pm

Website: <https://tinyurl.com/stiggysrciy> or contact Eliza

(9724 7613) or Aaron (8228 3419) or Email us: rciy.ignatius@gmail.com

RIP NEWS– RISEN IN THE LORD

John Lee Yip Sing – 73 years old

Date of death: 20 June 2018

NCC NEWS

Unless otherwise stated,
all meetings start at 8.00pm.



ZONE A DISTRICT 1

Friday 27 July, 7pm. Attendance: contact Kevin at 9759 2278

Programme: Mass, Celebrant: Father Jerome Leon, SJ

ZONE B DISTRICT 1

Tuesday 3 July, SH-E

Programme: Recitation of the rosary/Reflection/
Discussion/Fellowship. Screening of dvd entitled -From
Top Model To Role Model.

ZONE B DISTRICT 2 GROUP 1

Thursday 19 July. Contact: lennard.thean@gmail.com

Programme: Revelation – Jeff Cavins

ZONE B DISTRICT 3

Thursday 19 July, #01-04

Programme: 1) Gospel Sharing – Daily Word of God
2) History of Christianity

Youth Movement:

To Get Closer to God

As youths celebrate Youth Day this Sunday, Chloe Lim and fellow confirmands recall the joyful and Spirit-filled day they received the Sacrament of Confirmation

On Saturday 2 June, Secondary 4 students of St Ignatius received the Sacrament of Confirmation, which completes our initiation into the Church and begins a lifetime of developing a deeper understanding of our faith, coupled with active involvement in the Church.

My journey towards Confirmation has not been an easy one. The many pains and distractions in life often lead me astray from God, but I'm always drawn back, thanks to the Church community, and my family and friends who support me along the way. Confirmation is not the end, but the beginning of my faith journey. It was a precious experience that brought me one step closer to God.



I never really believed in the Holy Spirit. But after confirmation I can somewhat feel its presence. I have never felt happier.



I've started to believe that everything happens for a reason and that God guides me through thick and thin for the greater good of finding happiness at the end of it all. Christ has been my inspiration to be a servant leader for others, and I've been more receptive to the Holy Spirit as it lets me harbour God's love and teaches me to spread it to others. :-)

I was even more receptive to God's love because the Holy Spirit transformed my heart of stone into a heart of flesh, and this transformation has taken a particularly long period of time. The Holy Spirit helped me to realise my errors and mistakes that I have been repeatedly making to break God's heart. After confirmation, I felt like an insect shedding my old skin, and developed into a new one. This confirmation journey with God, Christ and the Holy Spirit has been extremely fulfilling, so fulfilling that it will be etched in my heart.

I thought that confirmation was very much like a graduation. However, I have come to realise that it is nothing like a graduation, but rather a milestone in our journey with Christ, an affirmation that you are going in the right direction, a proclamation of our faith, and a renewal of the covenant we have with God.

Even though I still have a lot of doubts and questions, I feel very peaceful and way closer to God.

After experiencing the Sacrament of Confirmation, I realised, with immense gratitude, how significant the Holy Spirit has been in my life through those around me.

From Sec 1 to my confirmation, I honestly have to say that the only thing that drew me closer to God were the people I befriended along the way. During Sec 1 and 2, I didn't have many friends in cat class, which played a huge part in my disconnect with God. The only reason why I didn't completely sever my relationship with God was because of the camps, the highs I received during camps, and my very religious family. In Sec 3, a lot of things happened. I made more friends, and during iGod camp, a lot of things happened that really drew me closer to God and the church. At first, I thought it was just the camp high, or certain people that made me closer to the church. After some time, I realised there was more to it. People in my classes were speaking to me and treating me with the love of God. The Sec 4 year began extremely well. I was placed in a group full of friends, old and new, who were kind, funny and jovial. They, with God working through them, made me love again after the years where I found no reason to.

JESUIT NEWS

ENCOUNTERING ST IGNATIUS RETREAT

Through ruminations on St Ignatius' life journey, reflect, pray and discover how God is at work in your own life.

Facilitators: Fr Agustinus Tanudjaja, SJ, & Celina Lin

Dates & Times: Friday 6 July (7.30pm) - Sunday 8 July (4.30pm)

Contribution: \$220 (non-aircon), \$260 (aircon)

Register: <http://tinyurl.com/igretreat2018>

Jesuit Regional Curia, Telephone: 6469 7356

Fr Christopher Soh, SJ, Fr James Tan, SJ

Kingsmead Hall, Jesuit Community, Tel: 6466 3225

Fr Gerard Keane, SJ, Fr Gerald Tseng, SJ, Fr Charles Sim, SJ, Fr Leslie Raj, SJ,
Fr Agustinus Tanudjaja, SJ, Fr Gregory Tan, SJ, Msgr Philip Heng, SJ, Fr Adrian Danker, SJ,

Kingsmead Centre, Tel: 6467 6072 Jesuit Mission Office Tel: 6463 6022

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

ACT TALKS IN JULY

Free Saturday talks by Apostolate for Catholic Truth (ACT)

1. Theology of the Body, by Andrew Kong, 7 July

2. The Natural Law, by Fr David Garcia, OP, 14 July

3. The New Natural Law, by Dr Jude Chua, 21 July

4. Humanae Vitae, Divine Law? by Andrew Kong, 28 July

Time: 7.00pm to 9.00pm at Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo Street, 02-01, S 187954

Registration at www.catholic.sg/act; Enquiries only: (Andrew) SMS 9649 3893

SALVATION HISTORY

By Fr Ferdinand Purnomo, OCD

16 sessions: 10 July – 13 November (break on 28 August, 4 September and 6 November)

Tuesday, 9:30am - 11:30am at 2 Highland Road, CAEC Building, S(549102)

Fees: \$120 (\$100 if paid by 6 July)

Information and registration: <https://goo.gl/forms/gjDhir2bocPirIL53>

Email: aba_secretariat@catholic.org.sg or Tel: 62800354 Office hour: 9am-1pm

PERSONAL MORAL COMPASS COURSE 2018

MODULE 4: ETHICS OF LOVE, SEX AND MARRIAGE

By Rev Fr David Garcia, OP.

Thursdays from 12 July over 7 sessions, 7.30pm to 9.30pm, at Agape Village, 7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh.

For all Catholics and people of goodwill interested in formation in the foundations of Ethics and Moral Theology. A year-long systematic course in Moral Theology consisting of 6 individual modules.

For information and registration: www.caritas-singapore.org or email to formation@caritas-singapore.org

Church Office

120, King's Road, Singapore 268172 or
8, Victoria Park Road, Singapore 266492

Entrance via 8 Victoria Park Road

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

Sunday Masses

Saturday: 6.00pm

Sunday: 6.45am, 8.15am, 10.15am, 12.15pm and 6.00pm

Weekday Masses

Monday – Friday: 7.00am & 6.00pm

Saturday: 7.00am

Confessions

Every Friday & Saturday: 5.40pm

Every Sunday Mass: 20mins before Mass begins

Infant Baptism (each month)

Briefing for parents & godparents (compulsory):

1st Sunday, 3.00pm

Baptism: 2nd Sunday, 3.00pm sharp

Registration forms are available at front of Church office

Weddings

Couples must make themselves known to the priest at least 6 months before the wedding.

Contact: Sacristan, Robert Ong (8511 4614)

Visiting Hours (Columbarium)

Open daily from 6.30 am to 8.00 pm (including weekends & Public Holidays)

Memorial Mass at the Main Church every

4th Friday, 6.00 pm for all deceased

parishioners and families, followed by prayers in Columbarium.

Inigo Bookstore

Wednesday to Saturday: 4.30pm to 7.00pm and during Sunday Masses. Closed on Monday and Tuesday

Sick elderly and homebound

Please contact the parish office if help is needed for parishioners hospitalised (regardless of hospital).

In emergencies, you may also contact priests' residence at 6466 3225

Bereavement

Please contact the parish Sacristan, Robert Ong (8511 4614) for help and advice before contacting the funeral director.

Church of St Ignatius has no official social media accounts.

WEEKLY

Rosary in Church

Monday to Saturday, after 7am Mass and Monday to Friday 5.15pm to 5.45pm, except first Friday of the month

Intercessory Prayers

Tuesday, 2.30pm in Sacred Heart Hall Adoration Room, Level 2

Catholic content online, login:

www.FORMED.org; parish code: **4904ed**

Gentle Light

Tuesday, 10am – 12noon in St Francis

Xavier Chapel (Kingsmead)

Thursday, 10am – 12noon in Sacred Heart Canteen (Room SH-A)

Divine Mercy Devotion

Every Wednesday after 6.00pm Mass in the Main Church.

Christian Meditation

Friday, 2.30pm in St Francis Xavier Prayer Room (Kingsmead)

MONTHLY – in Main Church

Sacred Heart of Jesus Mass

Every 1st Friday, 8.00pm (No 6.00pm Mass)

Followed by

Eucharistic Adoration by Generation CHRIST!

Children Eucharistic Adoration

Every 3rd Friday, 7.45pm

Memorial Mass

Every 4th Friday, 6.00pm, followed by prayers in Columbarium