



# CATHOLIC CHURCH of St Ignatius

## Christ, the Eternal King

**W**ho do you follow on twitter? Imagine the twitter followers of Katy Perry, Barack Obama, or Pope Francis – as we ask ourselves, *what is the attraction that made us tick to be the follower of a person?*

At the beginning of the second week of the *Spiritual Exercises*, St. Ignatius of Loyola proposes the meditation of the Kingdom. This meditation prepares the *exercitant* to meet Christ in a new way, not only as a personal saviour, but also as *the Lord of the Universe, the Eternal King*, who calls his friends to share his work to build the Kingdom of God in the world.



**Sunday 26 November 2017**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of The Universe**

1st Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-12,15-17

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28

Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

**Monday 27 November**

Liturgy of the day

**Tuesday 28 November**

Liturgy of the day

**Wednesday 29 November**

Bl Bernard Francis de Hoyos, SJ

**Thursday 30 November**

St Andrew

**Friday 1 December**

Sts Edmund Campion, SJ,  
Robert Southwell, SJ and companions

**Saturday 2 December**

Liturgy of the day

**Sunday 3 December**

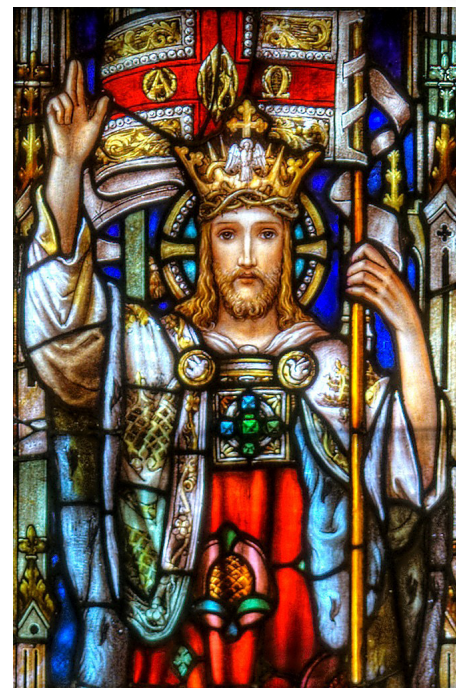
First Sunday of Advent

God's Kingdom has presence among us, in the person of Jesus Christ, but not yet reached to fullness. This weekend, we celebrate the ultimate journey of our faith, *the solemnity Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*. It is also the end of the Ordinary Time, as we move into the Advent call to prepare ourselves for the coming King, Emmanuel, God-is-with-us. The readings describe the rich images of Christ Jesus, the God-with-us. He is the Good Shepherd, who will look after us; the First-fruits of the harvest that describes the faithful's relationship between Christ's resurrection and the resurrection of the dead; the Son of Man, the just-judge, who sees all things and cares for those who hunger and thirst, welcoming the strangers and lost. Christ Jesus, the Eternal King, tells us that when we see and respond to anyone in need, we are also seeing and responding to Him, the God-with-us.

On the World Day of the Poor last weekend, Pope Francis reminded us, "The Kingship of Christ is most evident on Golgotha ... incarnates and reveals the fullness of God's love. Jesus' complete abandonment to the Father expresses his utter poverty and reveals the power of the Love that awakens him to new life on the day of the Resurrection."

What images of Christ Jesus have been part of your life-journey?

**Fr Agustinus Tanudjaja, SJ**



## True Kingship

**✝** How does God's kingship differ from that of our world? Does Christ reign in your heart? Whatever I do, why am I doing it?

Our idea of kingship and Christ differs very widely in the advance method of education, wherein they don't see God, do little to enlighten us – and never will.

The Gospel today reveals Christ – the King. He is mightier than other kings, the untried power of existence. For he has personally experienced what lies between birth and death. Kings don't die for people, but Christ does. He doesn't misuse authority. He will serve rather than be served. He is endless life and love. We must see all things, good and bad, appearance and essence, and to be visibly ready to be a help to all.

**Fr Gerry Keane, SJ**

Fr Leslie Raj, 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

Next week's **SECOND COLLECTION** is for the poor.

### FIRST FRIDAY – SACRED HEART OF JESUS MASS

Friday, 1 December, 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.

### INFANT BAPTISMS on Sunday, 10 December at 3.00pm.

Parents and godparents are required to attend briefing on Sunday, 3 December, 3pm at La Storta Room. Registration forms at church office or website. Please choose a saint's name for your child. Contact Valerie (9026 6170) & BC Chong or Gerard Lee (9677 0078) & Valerie (9189 3770).

**SALE OF CHRISTMAS** ornaments made with love by members and volunteers of **ST IGNATIUS D' FELLOWSHIP**. Sunday 3 December. during all morning Masses. Donations in aid of the Parish Social Mission fund.

### 2018 LEADING LITTLE ONES TO GOD REGISTRATION

LLOTG K2 (children born in 2012) online registration begins 26 November until 10 December. Registration: <https://goo.gl/FbN3vN> (case-sensitive).



### GIFT TO JESUS

The DVC Youth Choir warmly invites all youth and young adults to join us in celebrating the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, at the Christmas Mass at night. Please contact Nicholas@8201 8078 for more details.

### CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S PAGEANT AND MASS

The 8.15 Family Choir invites all to join us for 5.30pm Christmas Eve Children's Pageant & Mass, or 8.15am Christmas Day Mass. Practices are every Thursday (8-10pm) starting 16 November. If you are interested, please say hi to us after the 8.15am Sunday Mass, or contact Mike ([mikevinlim@gmail.com](mailto:mikevinlim@gmail.com)/ 9151 5267).

*Salve Regina Orchestra will be accompanying both masses. String/woodwind musicians (approximately Grade 5 ability) are invited to join us. Rehearsals: Sundays, 10am-1pm, from 19 November. For information, contact [ooi.claire@gmail.com](mailto:ooi.claire@gmail.com) by Friday 10 November.*

### COMFORT AND JOY

An evening of food, Fellowship and Carols by the Family Choir. Saturday 30 December, 7.30pm at Sacred Heart Hall and St Ignatius Hall.

## WEEKEND CATECHETICAL PROGRAMME

Primary 1 registration is now open. Limited spaces may be available for NEW registrations for other levels – subject to the existing enrolment and other conditions. Children already in our programme need not register again. All registrations will close on 30 November and done strictly through our website at: <http://stignatius.org.sg/home/ministries/faith-formation/catechetical-ministry/weekend/registration>. Email [stignatius.wecat@gmail.com](mailto:stignatius.wecat@gmail.com) if you have any queries.

## CHARISMATIC RENEWAL COMMUNITY

"THE SACRED SPACE OF BEING" – A sharing on the sacredness of being, uncovering and discovering God's call to us in His kingdom here on earth. Come and join us this Wednesday, November 29 at St Ignatius Hall. We start at 7.30pm with fellowship dinner and end at 9.30pm.

## LOST AND FOUND

Please claim your lost **PERSONAL EFFECTS** found in the church. Check with Angela at the church office, Monday to Friday, 9am to 6pm. Or Email: [administrator@stignatius.org.sg](mailto:administrator@stignatius.org.sg), Tel: 6466 0625. Unclaimed items will be donated to Social Mission fund after 6 months.

## RIP NEWS – RISEN IN THE LORD

Lim Tok Wah – 103 years old

Date of death: 20 November 2017

## NCC NEWS

Unless otherwise stated, all meetings start at 8.00pm.

### NCC YEAR-END THANKSGIVING MASS

All NCC members and parishioners are invited to thanksgiving and fellowship. Mass to thank the Lord for His blessings over the past year will be celebrated. Saturday, 9 December, 9.30am at Annex Hall followed by a lunch fellowship. Contact church office for details.

### ZONE A DISTRICT 1

No NCC sessions in December. Next session on Wednesday 10 January, 2018

### ZONE B DISTRICT 1

Tuesday, 5 December, SH-E

Programme: Recitation of Rosary/Christmas gathering with Christmas carolling/gift exchange and fellowship

### ZONE C DISTRICT 1

Thursday, 30 November #2-05/06

Programme: Reflection and prayer on the Beattitudes. Please come to learn more about Jesus's teachings and come early to enjoy good food and fellowship

### ZONE E DISTRICT 3

Thursday, 30 November, SH 02-E

Programme: Divine Mercy and Mercy in Action. View portions of DVD series on Divine Mercy (FORMED.ORG) and extracts from Hearts on Fire DVD "You Did It To Me".



Parish families are invited to join the Sojourners' Companions in a week of guided prayer. Opening session this Sunday, 26 November, 2pm at St Ignatius hall. Walk-ins are welcome.



# A Guide to Prayer

**P**rayer is an act of communication that allows us to talk to God. We, the Sojourners' Companions, are prayer guides who strive to help anyone learn how to pray the Ignatian way using the scriptures. When we pray we are drawn closer to God, and it is in the scriptures that God reveals Himself to us.

All that is required of you, if you sign up for the Week of Guided Prayer, is a commitment to spend 30 minutes each day praying with a suggested scripture passage, and another 30 minutes meeting your prayer guide at a pre-arranged time on a one-on-one basis. The Week starts with a Taster Afternoon (2pm – 5pm) this Sunday, 26 November. It closes with a group session (2pm – 5pm) on Saturday, 2 December.

How can I adequately put down in words what I experienced during the six days that I decided even at this later stage of my life to spend time with Jesus. I have always yearned to



feel, really feel the love of God in my life. There was, however, a small part of me that resisted going deeper, that even feared to go deeper into prayer time with our Lord. Afraid that I would be asked to tread treacherous waters, to go where I know I will sink. I can only say that it was the power of the Holy Spirit that worked in my being so that I was able to gather the courage and discipline to enter into Ignation contemplation and Lectio Divina in an attempt to encounter Jesus.

The result was mind-blowing and

heart bursting. There were times when I found I couldn't identify with anything in the scripture passage, but I persisted in just continuing to talk with Jesus; and at times just not think or say anything, but just to stay in the passage. I wanted very much to feel Jesus with me. It was hard. I believed he was present, but I was not feeling it in full reality. Gradually as I stopped trying too hard and decided to be comfortable and still, I began to feel this huge wave of God's love entering my heart at certain points of the passages.

I cannot begin to describe the depth of this love that I felt, but I know that I felt it and that Jesus is indeed present and alive, and living and moving with me. He is telling me that this is only the beginning and promises me that there is more love in store for me. And it's going to be this love that will move me to do what He wants me to do and be who He wants me to be. My task now is, weak as I am, to pray to remain strong in faith and to set aside time to spend with the one who loves me most in all the world.

– ROSITA ABREW



## JESUIT NEWS

### **CRAFT OF RELATIONSHIP: CONNECTING IN LOVE**

Learn about the 5 Love Languages (Gary Chapman), the Stages of Love (Pat Love), and Emotional Connection/ Disconnections (Sue Johnson).

Date & Time: Thursday, 14 December 2017, 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Facilitators: Francis See & Aileen Yap

Contribution: \$30

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

**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 Colin Tan, 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

### **FRANCISCAN PILGRIMAGE@ASSISI**

*By San Damiano Spirituality Centre*

A spiritual journey of faith, contemplation, reflection and Camino in the plains of Assisi extending to Rieti, Greccio, Gubbio, LA Verna culminating in Padua.

Encounter the Lord through pondering the lives of St Francis and St Clare, led by Father Clifford Augustine, OFM and Father Esmond Chua, OFM. From 11 – 22 May 2018. All-Inclusive trip at \$4,600 (Adult Single) /\$4,100 (Adult Twin)

Sign up by 7 December 2017. Contact Ryan Colond at [ryan@sandamiano.sg](mailto:ryan@sandamiano.sg) or WhatsApp only on 96726167 for more information.

\* Price includes Economy ticket, airport taxes, security and fuel taxes, 30kg baggage allowance, travel gift, tipping to tour managers, drivers and guide, 90% meals, accommodation, land transfers and reflection materials.

\* Tour does not include comprehensive travel Insurance, Visa Fees, excess baggage and any other item not stated above.

\* Itinerary may be subject to minor changes.

Young Adults aged 18 to 30 (limited to 30 Pax) may be able to receive bursary amount.

### **MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

Next English weekend 1 December (Friday) to 3 December (Sunday)

Marriage Encounter (ME) facilitates life-changing weekends for married couples by transforming the way husband and wife communicate, forging greater intimacy and a closer relationship.

For registration or enquiries, call Joseph & Reenie 9670-5390, e-mail [mewkend@gmail.com](mailto:mewkend@gmail.com) or visit [www.MESingapore.org](http://www.MESingapore.org)

### **PIETA**

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 monthly session (every 4th Tuesday of the month) this Tuesday 28 November, 7:30pm at Agape Village, Toa Payoh Lorong 8. email: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com) or facebook: <https://facebook.com/PietaSingapore>

### **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: Robert Ong (8511 4614)

### **Columbarium Opening Hours**

Daily: 6.30am – 8.00pm

Public Holiday: Closed

### **Inigo Bookstore**

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday:  
4.00pm to 6.20pm and during  
weekend Masses

### **Sick and elderly**

Please contact the parish office  
if help is needed for parishioners  
regardless of which hospital  
they are at. You may also contact  
priests' residence at 6466 3225

### **Bereavement**

Please contact the parish office  
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 and last Fridays of the month

#### **Intercessory Prayers**

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

Catholic content online, login:

**[www.FORMED.org](http://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, 8pm (No 6pm Mass)

Followed by  
**Generation CHRIST!**  
**Eucharistic Adoration**

#### **Children Eucharistic Adoration**

Every 3rd Friday, 7.45pm

#### **Memorial Mass**

Every 4th Friday, 8pm (No 6pm Mass)