

CHURCH OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

PARISH DAY OF RECOLLECTION

DISCERNING OUR CALL TO HOLINESS

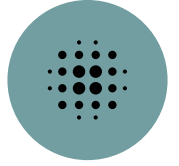


1 MAY 2019, WEDNESDAY
(PUBLIC HOLIDAY)

0900 - 1600 hrs (lunch provided)
\$10 per person

OPEN TO ALL PARISHONERS AGED 16 AND ABOVE
REGISTER AT THE PARISH OFFICE BY 28 APRIL

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- Where has God placed me in my life and how is He calling me to holiness through my daily living and vocation?
- In my present situation, what does the Lord call forth from me in following His path? Where is the call to grow in holiness in my life?
- What are the gifts that He has given me and which I have been using and what are the gifts that I have not developed?
- How is God calling me to holiness through my parish community?

We are all called to be holy by living our lives with love ... in everything we do, wherever we find ourselves ... each believer discerns his or her own path ... that they bring out the very best of themselves.

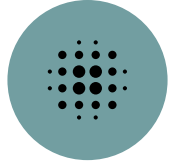
*(Pope Francis,
Gaudete et Exsultate #11,14)*

Our Day of Recollection on 1 May 2019 will be conducted by a team from The Institute for World Evangelisation - ICPE Mission. It is an International Association of Christ's faithful of Pontifical Right and is the missionary arm of the Glory of God International Covenant Community, which started out in Malta.

Today, ICPE Missionary Communities and/or ICPE Communities of Companions are spread around the world. With the blessing of Archbishop Emeritus Nicholas Chia, ICPE Mission Singapore began in 2003.

In 2014, 11 brothers and sisters took their covenant to form the first Community of Companions of the ICPE Mission in Singapore. These are covenanted members whose personal vocation places them at the heart of society, living the ICPE charism and spirituality at the workplace, in the family and in the Church, wherever these members live. The ICPE Mission Singapore also ministers through hosting retreats, talks & sessions, facilitating pastoral leadership, evangelisation and creativity workshops and assisting in conferences.

UPCOMING EVENTS - MORE DETAILS SOON



GROWING IN HOLINESS

In the Church, you will find everything you need to grow towards holiness. The Lord has bestowed on the Church the gifts of scripture, the sacraments, holy places, living communities, the witness of the saints ...

(Gaudete et Exsultate #15)

Reflection on Corpus Christi (5 June)

Christ loves us and desires such an intimate communion with us that He gives us His very Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity in the Holy Eucharist. This day of reflection with Fr JJ renews our faith and deepens our love and devotion to the Eucharist.



Corpus Christi Sunday (23 June)

Procession of the Blessed Sacrament after Evening Mass



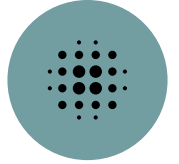
Week of Guided Prayer (21 to 28 July)

Listen to the Lord as He speaks to us through Scripture. Learn how to pray using Scripture with the help of a Prayer Guide. Conducted by Sojourners' Companions, the programme consists of a training on 21st July afternoon, half-hour prayer at home & half hour with Prayer Guide at our parish on Monday to Friday (anytime from 9am-10pm) and closing on 28th July.

"A Biblical Walk Through The Mass" - A 5-weekly bible study of the Sacred Liturgy, it explores the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience in the Liturgy and explains their profound significance. This intriguing look at the Mass guides us to embrace it as the best way to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ. Conducted by our Bible Apostolate Team and commencing in July/August.

Christian Meditation (16, 23, 30 Aug & 4 Sep) - Conducted by the World Community for Christian Meditation (WCCM) at our parish, these 4 one-hourly sessions help us to grow in holiness by giving a contemplative dimension to our faith. The silence, stillness and simplicity will lead to the surrender of the self. Amidst all the noise, distraction and busyness of our daily lives, we are in urgent need to be rooted in the centre of our being where the Spirit of God dwells. More information on Christian Meditation is available at <https://www.wccmsingapore.org/>.

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LIVING IN HOLINESS

Those who really wish to give glory to God by their lives, who truly long to grow in holiness, are called to be single-minded and tenacious in their practice of the works of mercy.

(Gaudete et Exsultate #107)

Parish Day of Corporal Works of Mercy (14 Sept)

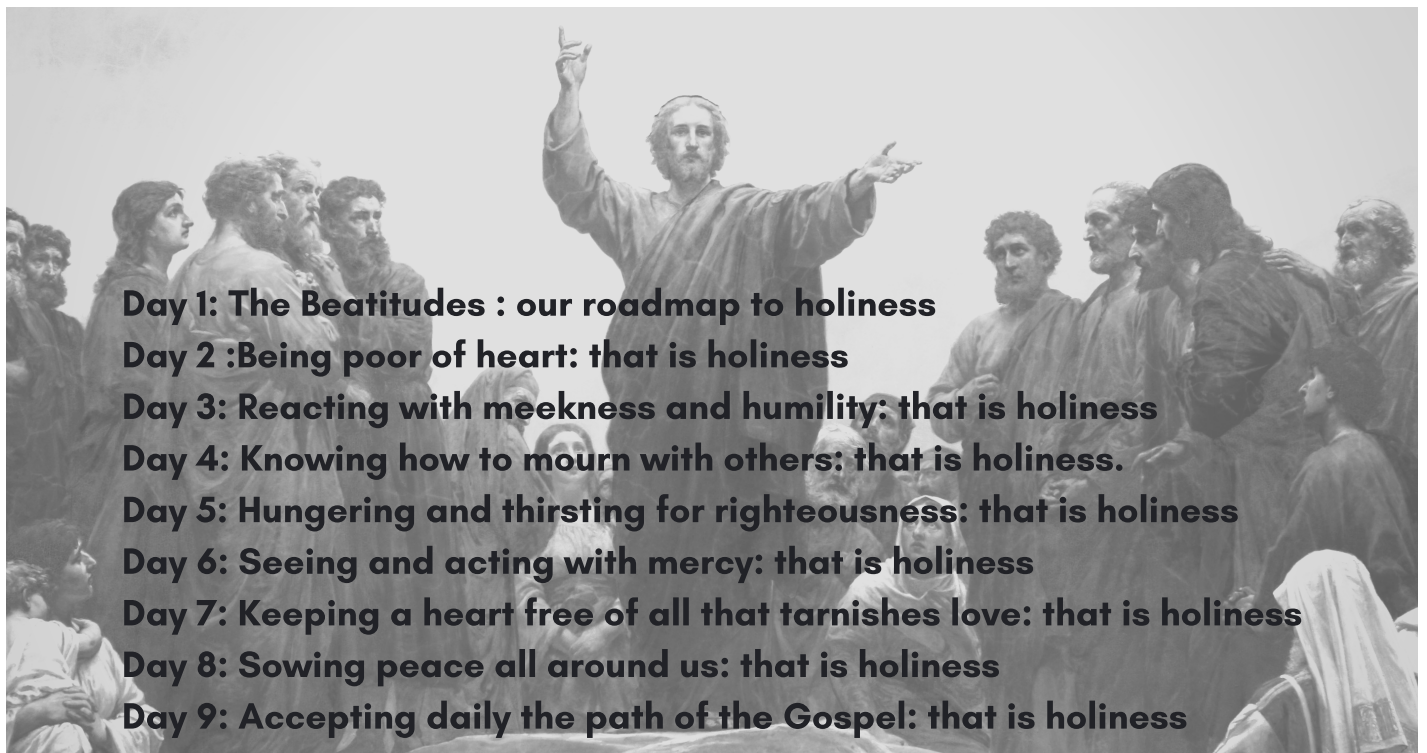
A day for us to reach out and get personally involved by giving and sharing our blessings, gifts & talents from God with "the hungry, thirsty, stranger, naked, sick and those in prison." Our Lord promises us that we will encounter Him in them : "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me."

(Matthew 25:40)

"What must one do to be a good Christian?", the answer is clear. We have to do, each in our own way, what Jesus told us in the Sermon on the Mount.

(Gaudete et Exsultate #63)

Novena & Feast Day (18 - 29 Sept)



Day 1: The Beatitudes : our roadmap to holiness

Day 2 :Being poor of heart: that is holiness

Day 3: Reacting with meekness and humility: that is holiness

Day 4: Knowing how to mourn with others: that is holiness.

Day 5: Hungering and thirsting for righteousness: that is holiness

Day 6: Seeing and acting with mercy: that is holiness

Day 7: Keeping a heart free of all that tarnishes love: that is holiness

Day 8: Sowing peace all around us: that is holiness

Day 9: Accepting daily the path of the Gospel: that is holiness