

Catholic Church of Christ the King

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Our Weekly Parish Bulletin



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Genesis 2:18-24
Hebrews 2:9-11
Mark 10:2-16

A VISION FOR MARRIAGE

We live in a culture of hot-button issues, buzzwords, broiling anger, and even outright revolt. As each day passes, it seems to become more difficult to hold peaceful conversations about the most important issues connected to man's nature. Our culture today believes that to love another is to accept his or her own personal worldview, and anyone who tries to contradict that worldview is a "hater" or a "bigot." This relativistic mindset has led to protests and rallies on our own day, as people stand up for their "right" to believe whatever they choose as their own good.

It's tempting to become consumed by the mindset of our time, but the Gospel actually proposes a very different way of life. As Christians, we are called to deep intimacy with our Lord through a life of prayer, meditation, and contemplation. We believe that to transform the world, we first must allow God to transform us. That very often means deeply listening to God and his words.

The readings for today focus on God's vision of marriage, which is a hot topic in our culture. Today the Church invites us to meditate on the truth about marriage. And as we'll see, God created marriage to reveal the very meaning of our existence, and it is very good!

Our readings from Genesis and this Gospel together show how Jesus claims to have greater authority than Moses, which would have shocked the Pharisees. When the Pharisees question him concerning divorce, he effectively re-establishes the divine law concerning the sacrament of marriage from the very beginning. He explains that Moses allowed divorce for the hardness of their hearts, but these laws were not part of God's plan.

This would have been a shocking assertion to the Jews, since God gave the law to Moses. It is no wonder that the Jews approached Jesus with this question, "By what

authority do you do these things?" The fact that Jesus is here changing part of the Mosaic law reveals that he is the "prophet" foretold by Moses in Deuteronomy 18:15-19. As we read, "I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kinsmen, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him." (Dt. 18:18) The Jews identified this "prophet" with the coming Messiah (see John 6:14; 7:40-41).

Interestingly enough, after reaffirming the indissolubility of the marriage covenant by citing Genesis 2:24, Jesus turns immediately to the question of children. Just as God had said "Be fertile and multiply" to Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden (Genesis 1: 28), so now Jesus, after restoring marriage to its proper dignity as an indissoluble bond, says "Let the children come to me and do not hinder them. It is to just such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. This lesson is profound, because it reveals the essential importance of the unitive and procreative ends of marriage. The couple become one flesh through consummating marriage, and through this union, children will be brought into the world and then baptized for the Kingdom of God.

To accept this teaching, one must become like a little child oneself. A child is one who trusts his or her parents to provide every need, to heal every wound. The Father hopes that we will trust ourselves to Him like little children.



MASS TIMINGS

DAILY MASSES

6.30am, 6.15pm
7.30am, 5.30pm (Public Holiday)

WEEKEND MASSES

Sat 6.30am, 7.30am (Public Holiday)
5.30pm (Sunset)
Sun 7.00am, 8.15am (Mandarin)
9.45am, 11.30am & 5.30pm

DIVINE MERCY MASS

8.00pm (Chapel)
FIRST Tuesday of the month

TAMIL MASS

6.30pm (Chapel)
FOURTH Sunday of the month

MALAYALAM MASS

6.00pm (Chapel)
FIFTH Sunday of the month

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PARISH UPDATES

CTK FREE MEDICAL CLINIC IS NOW OPEN!

CTK Free Medical Clinic is now in operation! Clinic hours are every Wed 7pm - 9pm and every Sun 2pm - 4pm. The service is for the poor and needy only.



CANTEEN

This week's canteen is run by NCC600. Do come down for delicious food and fellowship!

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Please give generously this weekend, 6 & 7 Oct, to assist the poor and under-privileged by the SSVP.



INFANT BAPTISM ON 7 OCT

Our parish welcomes 3 children who will be baptised this Sunday at 4pm. Let us pray for them and be reminded of our roles as parents and godparents in the faith formation of our children and godchildren.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CHILDREN JESUS, our Greatest Treasure!!

13 Oct (Sat), 3.45pm at St. Mary's Room 301
Come and spend an hour with Jesus! We will lead your children through songs and prayers, intercessions, meditation and gospel reflection to focus on our greatest treasure, JESUS!! The session ends with Adoration and Benediction.



ROSARY DEVOTION

This will be held on 13 Oct (Sat), 7.00 pm at the Grotto of Mother Mary.

FR. JOHN KHOO'S BIRTHDAY is on 12 Oct!

Let us wish him a very happy and blessed birthday! We thank God for his radiant joy among us and for the gift of his priesthood. May the Holy Spirit continue to guide his paths and bless him with good health. Happy birthday Father!



CTK CATECHISM CLASS REGISTRATION

Calling Primary 1, 2 & 3 children. Primary Catechism @ CTK is now open for registration! Primary Catechism: Sundays from 2pm to 3.30pm



How to register:

- Get a form from the brochure rack outside RM105 (RCIA Lecture Hall) or from the Parish Office.
- Fill it out and attach a copy of the child's baptism certificate. For those transferring from other parishes, please attach a transfer letter from the church where your child is currently attending catechism.
- Return the form to either: the Parish Office, Room 102 (Sundays 2pm to 4pm), or drop it in Letter Box No. 48
- Check parish bulletin for class commencement or email catechist@christthekeing.com.sg
- Closing date: 31 Oct 2018

CTK FEAST DAY LUNCH

Date: 25 Nov (Sun),

Time: 12.30pm to 3pm

Venue: Jubilee Garden Restaurant, Safra Toa Payoh, Lorong 6

Price: \$350 per table/\$35.00 per person

For purchase of bus and lunch tickets, contact Maria at 96854529.



APPEAL FOR LUCKY DRAW PRIZES

As we celebrate the 36th Anniversary of our parish, we are appealing for lucky draw prizes. Donations can come in the form of gifts or supermarket vouchers. You may drop your donations off at the Parish Office. We will also be pre-selling wines for the coming Feast Day Lunch.

MONTHLY PPC EXCO MEETING

Due to the Rosary Procession on 1st Monday this month, PPC Exco Meeting will be held on 8 Oct (Mon), 8pm at the canteen. Gentle reminder to all PPC Exco members, Ministry Leaders and NCC Heads to attend.

CTK LEGAL CLINIC

The free legal advice to low-income individuals is on 30 Oct (Tue). Kindly deposit your registration form into the CTK letterbox no. 46 by 23 Oct (Tue).

NEIGHBOURHOOD CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

NCC 300 ROSARY DEVOTION at 8pm followed by FELLOWSHIP and AGM for Election of Office Bearers
7 Oct (Sun), 8 pm

Blk 310B Ang Mo Kio Ave 1 # 09-373

ALL ARE WELCOME to join us in prayers and All NCC 300 members are requested to attend AGM





CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

Parish Day of Recollection
 Tuesday, 6th November 2018 (Public Holiday)
 Recollection Master: Rev Fr Charles Sim, SJ

1.00pm Praise & Worship	Love for the Service of Others
1.30pm Spiritual Talk 1	
2.15pm Reflection	
3.00pm Tea Break	Spirituality for Marriage and Family
3.30pm Spiritual Talk 2	
4.15pm Reflection & Sharing of Prayer Experience	
5.30pm Eucharistic Celebration	

For logistic purposes, registration starts from 6th to 21st October at the booths in Church during weekend masses.

CHILDREN'S DAY MASS 2018

VENUE
 CHRIST THE KING

DATE
 7 OCTOBER

TIME
 11.30AM



'MY CHILD IS MADE FOR MORE' PROGRAMME

My Child is Made for More is a programme that addresses sexuality issues facing your child, including pornography and pre-marital/casual sex. The Programme will enable you to be the primary sexuality educator of your child. The approach is to focus on dignity, respect, sexual honesty and authentic freedom, not consequences. 3 Nov (Sat) 9am-1.30pm & 10 Nov (Sat) 9am-4.30pm, at Lifelong Learning Institute 11 Eunos Road 8 S408601 (MRT station: Paya Lebar). Ticketing: \$50 single ticket, \$80 two tickets. Contact 64880278 or education@familylife.sg. Purchase online at madeformore.peatix.com. By Family Life Society.

"A LIFE SURPRISED BY..." RETREAT

Come, and let Him surprise you! "A life surprised by..." is a one-day retreat for young adults age 20-40 years organised by the Verbum Dei missionaries and disciples. 17 Nov (Sat), 9am-5pm at Verbum Dei Missionaries (4 Sommerville Road S358228), \$50 per adult (includes tea and lunch). Register at tinyurl.com/alifesurprisedby. For more information, call Verbum Dei at 6274 0251, send a Whatsapp to 8539 9060 or email Vdeisgevents@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION FUNDRAISING DINNER

The Catholic Foundation will be organising a dinner hosted by His Grace, Archbishop William Goh to raise the needed funds to fulfil the vision of our archdiocese. Tables are available for sale at this fully sponsored dinner held at the Fullerton Hotel on 29 Oct (Mon). To book a table or for more info, contact Ms Caroline Kung at 6338 0348 or email cfddinner@catholic.org.sg

DIOCESAN EVENTS

FR ROBERTUS SARWISO 25TH SACERDOTAL ANNIVERSARY MASS & DINNER

Fr. Robertus Sarwiso, who served as Assistant Parish Priest at the Church of Christ the King from 2005 to 2008, is celebrating his 25th Sacerdotal Anniversary with Mass and dinner on 2 Dec 2018 (Sun).

Mass: 5pm at Church of the Holy Cross

Dinner: 7pm at Safra Mt Faber Club Summer Garden Restaurant, 2 Telok Blangah Way, #02-05

Dinner tickets are S\$70 per pax. Dress code: smart casual batik theme. Please register at CTK parish office.

CATHOLIC THEOLOGY NETWORK TALK

Mercy and Marriage in the Teaching of Pope Francis and John Paul II.

Critics of Pope Francis have pointed out that the Pope's teaching on mercy in his apostolic exhortation "amoris laetitia" seems to contradict what John Paul II has taught on the moral life. Is this contradiction real and why should Catholics care? Join us to explore this important issue. Speaker: Mr Andrew Kong, JCL. 16 Oct (Tues), 7.30pm-9pm at CANA the Catholic Centre (55 Waterloo Street #02-01). Register at theology.sg@gmail.com or call 97843682

CARITAS SINGAPORE YOUNG ADULTS BUILDING THE KINGDOM WORKSHOP

The Spirituality of Recreation - A formation workshop for young adults (aged 18 to 35 years) on the social teachings on rest and recreation. 10 Nov (Sat), 5pm to 9pm at Agape Village, 7A Lorong 8 Toa Payoh. Main speaker: Fr David Garcia, OP.

Register at www.caritas-singapore.org or email youngadults@caritas-singapore.org

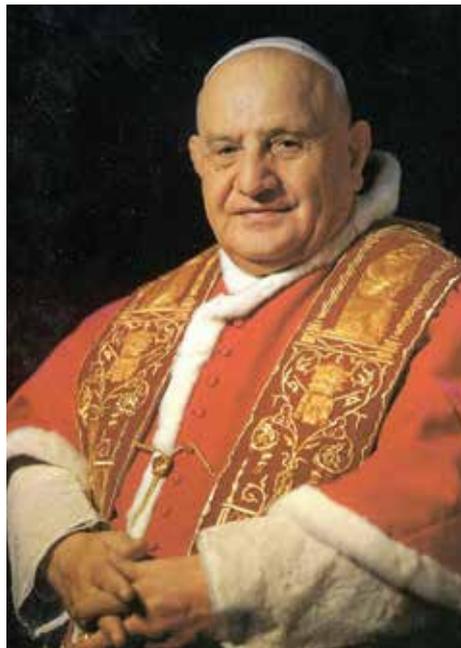
Catholic Saints - Living Life To The Full

POPE ST. JOHN XXIII

Feast Day: 11 October

From her very beginning, the Church has had leaders who have helped us in our search for God. Pope John XXIII was one of those leaders. Pope John XXIII was pope from 1958 until he died in 1963.

Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was born November 25, 1881, in the village of Sotto il Monte (Under the Mountain) in Bergamo, a small town in Northern Italy. Even when Angelo was a young boy, his parents knew that he was not like his brothers and sisters. Angelo would not grow up to be the farmer his father wished for. The local priest, Father Francesco Rebuzzini, guided and tutored young Angelo.



Angelo was ordained a priest in 1904. More than 50 years later, when he became pope, he took the name John, his father's name. During World War I, the young priest served as a medic and a chaplain. During World War II, as a papal diplomat in Turkey and Greece, he used his office to help thousands of refugees in Europe.

He was elected pope in 1958. He was known for his warmth and humor, and he visited children in hospitals and prison inmates at Christmastime. Stories say he liked to sneak out of the Vatican at night to walk freely around Rome.

Pope John XXIII is most remembered for calling the Second Vatican Council in 1962. This was a meeting of all the bishops of the Church. Pope John XXIII wanted them to help the whole Church understand better the role and purpose of the Church. During his opening address, Pope John XXIII called the Church to follow a path of mercy. He said that the Church needs to use the "medicine of mercy" to show how the Church is a "loving mother to all." The documents of this council help Christians to better live as followers of Christ in our own time. He died on June 3, 1963, at the age of 81.

In 2013 Pope Francis declared that Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II were to be formally canonized on the same day.

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OUR PARISH PRAYER SCHEDULE

ROSARY DEVOTION

Weekdays 5.40pm (Main Church)
Sat 4.40pm (Main Church)

13th day of the month

Weekdays 8.00pm (Grotto)
Weekends 7.00pm (Grotto)

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Tue 8.00pm (Chapel)

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Last Wed of the month 8.00pm (Chapel)

LEGION OF MARY

Thu 7.00pm - 8.15pm (Room 108)

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Thu 8.00pm - 9.00pm (Room 303)

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Fri 8.00pm (Chapel)

DEVOTION TO SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Fri after evening Mass
(Main Church)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CHILDREN

Second Sat of the month 3.45pm
(St Mary's Room, Level 3)

NEW TO OUR PARISH? YET TO REGISTER WITH US?

Our warmest welcome to you dear brothers & sisters in Christ! Visit our Parish Office & contact us at 64599958 or email parishoffice@christtheking.com.sg



OPENING HOURS

PARISH OFFICE

Mon - Fri 9.00am - 8.00pm
Sat - Sun 9.00am - 7.00pm
(Closed on Public Holidays)

MAIN CHURCH

6.30am - 7.00pm daily

ADORATION ROOM

6.00am - 10.30pm daily
(Closed for cleaning on Mondays
and Fridays from 10am - 11am)

COLUMBARIUM

6.00am - 10.30pm
daily

Kindly note that the Church gates will be automatically closed by 10.30pm.



OUR PASTORAL SERVICES

CHURCH WEDDINGS

Arrangement should be made at least SIX months in advance so couples have adequate time to attend Marriage Preparation Course (www.catholic.org.sg/mpc) or Engaged Encounter Weekend (www.catholic.org.sg/ceespore). Contact parish office for application forms and booking of wedding date.

INFANT BAPTISM

Infant baptisms are celebrated every first Sunday of the month at 4pm. Parents and godparents must attend the pre-baptism preparation session on the last Tuesday of each month at 8pm. Dates may change for public holidays. Registration forms are available at parish office. For enquiries, email infantbaptism@gmail.com.

BLESSING OF FAMILIES

Blessings of families is given at all Masses on the last Sunday of each month for this year.

MASS OFFERINGS

Envelopes are available outside the parish office. Kindly submit your offerings via the Mass Offerings box ONE week in advance of intended date.

COUNSELLING

By appointment only. Contact Family Life Society, Mon - Fri (10am - 5pm) at 6382 0688.

CTK LEGAL CLINIC

Free legal advice to low-income individuals is on last Tuesday of the month. Registration forms are available at the parish office. Registration forms must be deposited into CTK letterbox no. 46 at least one week in advance. Strictly no walk-ins.

CTK FREE MEDICAL CLINIC

CTK Free Medical Clinic hours are every Wed 7 - 9pm and every Sun 2 - 4pm. The service is for the poor and needy only.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the parish office to arrange for a priest for this Sacrament to be administered to any Catholic awaiting for surgery or is suffering from serious illness especially near the time of death.

FUNERAL

Kindly contact the parish office for priest's availability and Mass timing. The parish office is able to assist with prayers arrangement at the wake if required.