







# Catholic Church of Christ the King

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## Our Weekly Parish Bulletin



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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (B) 4 November 2018

Deuteronomy 6:2-6  
Hebrews 7:23-28  
Mark 12:28-34

## REACH OUT AND EMBRACE THE KINGDOM

In our Gospel reading today, Jesus encounters a sincere scribe, unlike the other Pharisees, Herodians, and Sadducees, who continually attempted to trick him and destroy his words.

Because of his sincerity, Jesus offers great hope to this scribe by telling him that he is not far from the Kingdom of God.

We can relate both to the sincere scribe and to those who doubted in Jesus. There are times when we have doubted in God's love for us, and there are times when we have truly trusted in him. We must learn to trust him more than we doubt, so that we are not far from the Kingdom of God.

The scribe doesn't approach Jesus with skepticism, but rather with an open heart. He is sincerely seeking to know Jesus's identity. This humility and simplicity enables Jesus to reveal himself to this one scribe and draw so near to him that Jesus can tell him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God."

Normally, Jesus's conversations with the prevailing religious authorities are adversarial, but in today's Gospel, the scribe approaches Jesus in all sincerity to discover whether he has an accurate grasp on the Law of God. Jesus responds to his question about the Greatest Com-



mandment by referring to the *shema* of Deuteronomy 6, which was our First Reading. Love of God is the center of the Law, yet Jesus goes one step further, to say that the Greatest Commandment is twofold, to include love of neighbor, a law that he quotes from Leviticus 19:18. All of the commandments can be summarized under these two headings: love of God and love of neighbor. Jesus adds that to love God in neighbor "is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices" (v. 33). Jesus approves of his reply, but then subtly challenges him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God" (v. 34). Thus, in this Gospel passage, we are given the Greatest Commandment, which should be the source of our actions and meditations.

*Who are some people in your life who are particularly difficult to love? How can you strive to "embrace the kingdom," and do the simple and difficult work of loving them as you love yourself?*

### 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

### OUR SHEPHERDS

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# PARISH UPDATES



[www.christtheking.com.sg/event/parish-day-of-recollection-2018](http://www.christtheking.com.sg/event/parish-day-of-recollection-2018)

## CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING Parish Day of Recollection 2018

**Tues, 6 Nov 2018 (Public Holiday)**  
**1.00pm - 5.30pm in Main Church**  
Recollection Master: Fr. Charles Sim, SJ

### CANTEEN

This Sunday's canteen is run by the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. They'll be selling the famous CTK fried chicken wings, nasi lemak, gelato and so much more. So come on down and support them!

### 2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR SSVF

Please give generously this weekend, 3 & 4 Nov, to assist the poor and under-privileged by the SSVF.

### CTK MINISTRIES BUDGET 2019 SUBMISSION

Several Ministries have yet to submit their budget statements to the Parish Office. We kindly request your submission by the extended deadline of 11 Nov 2018.

### MONTHLY PPC EXCO MEETING

Gentle reminder to all PPC Exco members, Ministry Leaders and NCC Heads to attend, on 5 Nov (Mon), 8pm at the canteen.

### PUBLIC HOLIDAY 6 NOV (DEEPAVALI)

Please note the parish office will be closed on 6 Nov (Tue). Mass timings are 7.30am and 5.30pm.

### FR. PAUL LIM'S ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

Let us wish Fr. Paul Lim, our Assistant Parish Priest, a happy and blessed 34th Sacerdotal Ordination Anniversary on this Sunday, 4 Nov! May God continue to bless his priestly vocation!

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CHILDREN

**Theme: BE GENEROUS**

**Sat, 10 Nov, 3.45pm at St Mary's Room, 301**

**Inviting all parents & children to spend some time with Jesus who's present in the Blessed Sacrament.**

God has been generous & blessed us with these gifts of our children. Let our children experience this virtue of generosity through spending time with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist together with their family & friends, through songs, prayer & meditation, gospel reflection & benediction. **Jesus, who's more generous than us, will bless everyone abundantly for their time with Him.**

### CHURCH CLEANING

**17 Nov (Sat), 9am to 12 noon.**

**Please come and help!**

**More hands make light work!**



### REGISTRATION FOR 2019 SEC 1 CATECHISM

Registration for CC1 catechism classes (Children who will be in Secondary 1 in 2019) is now open. Classes will be on Sundays, from 9.30am to 11am. Please register your child using the online form at <http://bit.ly/2019-CC1-Registration> or by scanning the QR code.

For any other enquiries, please email [ctkseecat@gmail.com](mailto:ctkseecat@gmail.com)



### REGISTRATION FOR 2019 BRIDGING CATECHESIS

If you have a child from Primary 3 to Secondary 1 (9-13 years old) who is either:

- baptised but has never had formal catechesis and wishes to start now
- 'dropped out' of catechesis and wishes to continue
- comes from overseas with no formal catechesis
- not baptised and wishes to be baptised and join catechist afterwards,

Please email [catechist@christtheking.com.sg](mailto:catechist@christtheking.com.sg) to register your child for 2019 Bridging catechesis.

### DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET AND MASS

This will be held on 13 Nov (Tue), 8.00pm, at the Chapel by Father Paul Lim. *Please note that for Nov, this is not held on 1st Tues due to the public holiday. We apologise for the error in last week's bulletin.*

### NEIGHBOURHOOD CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

#### NCC 200 Monthly Meeting & Fellowship

12 Nov (Mon), 8pm  
Blk 253 AMK St. 21 #11-183

#### NCC 200 Divine Mercy Devotion

19 Nov (Mon), 8.30pm  
Blk 223 AMK Ave 1 #03-527

#### NCC 300 Rosary & Fellowship

4 Nov (Sun), 8pm  
Blk 310B AMK Ave 1 #09-373

#### NCC 400 Monthly Meeting & Fellowship

15 Nov (Thu), 8.15pm  
Blk 418 AMK Ave 10 #12-1059

#### NCC 500 Monthly Meeting/Potluck/Fellowship

10 Nov (Sat), 7.30pm  
Blk 550 AMK Ave 10 #07-2214 (Lift B&C)







# DELIVER US FROM EVIL

Rally & Ministering by Fr. Elias Vella, OFM Conv. from Malta

9 November 2018  
7.45PM to 10.00PM  
Church of Christ the King  
2221 Ang Mo Kio Ave 8  
Singapore 569809

Free Admission: All are welcome!

**SACCRE Rally & Ministering by Fr. Elias Vella, OFM Conv. (Malta)**  
9 Nov (Fri) • 7.45pm - 10pm  
Church of Christ the King

## CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING FEAST DAY TRIDUUM 2018

**FAITH**  
overcomes all



**22<sup>nd</sup> November**  
Thursday, 7.30pm

**Celebrant:**  
**Fr Charlie Oasan**

Mass in English  
and Tagalog

**HOPE**  
sustains us



**23<sup>rd</sup> November**  
Friday, 7.30pm

**Celebrant:**  
**Fr Benjamin Anthonisamy**

Mass in English  
and Tamil

**LOVE**  
never fails



**24<sup>th</sup> November**  
Saturday, 5.30pm

**Celebrant:**  
**Fr Terence Wee**

Mass in English  
and Chinese

## PRIMARY CATECHISM GRADUATION



Heartiest congratulations to all our Primary 6 Students who have completed their catechism classes on 14 October 2018. We thank all teachers, facilitators and parents for your effort and dedication!

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### 'IS BLIND FAITH A VIRTUE?' TALK

What is faith and what is the role of reason? Explore this issue through the teaching of John Paul II's encyclical Faith and Reason and discover how This is critical in the task of evangelisation. Speaker: Mr Kelvin Ng.  
20 Nov (Thu) 7.30pm - 9pm at CANA the Catholic Centre (55 Waterloo St #02-01). To register, please email [theology.sg@gmail.com](mailto:theology.sg@gmail.com) or call 97843682.

### 'REVIEW OF LIFE' WORKSHOP

How do we make sense of our daily life challenges? How do we see clearly with the eyes of faith, live the Gospel daily and grow in faith? Learn the Review of Life (ROL) method, to understand how to better integrate faith and life. 20 & 21 Nov, 7.30pm - 9.30pm at Agape Village, 7A Lor 8 Toa Payoh.  
Register at [www.caritas-singapore.org](http://www.caritas-singapore.org) or email [formation@caritas-singapore.org](mailto:formation@caritas-singapore.org).

9 November

# DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

On 9 November, the Church celebrates the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the oldest and highest ranking of the four major basilicas in Rome. The Basilica of St. John Lateran is the cathedral of the diocese of Rome, the official ecclesiastical seat of the Holy Father, the Bishop of Rome, not St. Peter's Basilica as so many mistakenly believe. The Basilica is also called the Church of Holy Savior or the Church of St. John Baptist.

In ancient Rome this was the church where everyone was baptized. It is the oldest church in the West, built in the time of Constantine and was consecrated by Pope Sylvester in 324. This feast became a universal celebration in honor of the archbasilica, the ecclesiastical mother church, called "the mother and mistress of all churches of Rome and the world" (*omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput*), as a sign of love for and union with the See of Peter.



On this solemnity the Word of God recalls an essential truth: the temple of stones is a symbol of the living Church, the Christian community, which in their letters the Apostles Peter and Paul already understood as a "spiritual edifice," built by God with "living stones," namely, Christians themselves, upon the one foundation of Jesus Christ, who is called the "cornerstone" (cf. *1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17; 1 Peter 2:4-8; Ephesians 2:20-22*). "Brothers, you are God's building," St. Paul wrote, and added: "holy is God's temple, which you are" (*1 Corinthians 3:9c, 17*).

*"Dear friends, today's feast celebrates a mystery that is always relevant: God's desire to build a spiritual temple in the world, a community that worships him in spirit and truth (cf. John 4:23-24). But this observance also reminds us of the importance of the material buildings in which the community gathers to celebrate the praises of God. Every community therefore has the duty to take special care of its own sacred buildings, which are a precious religious and historical patrimony. For this we call upon the intercession of Mary Most Holy, that she help us to become, like her, the "house of God," living temple of his love."*

- Pope Benedict XVI, Angelus Address, November 9, 2008

Source: [www.catholicculture.org](http://www.catholicculture.org)

## 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](mailto: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](http://www.catholic.org.sg/mpc)) or Engaged Encounter Weekend ([www.catholic.org.sg/ceespore](http://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](mailto: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 FREE 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.