

Catholic Church of Christ the King

THE LEAVEN

Our Weekly Parish Bulletin



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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (C) 17 February 2019

Jeremiah 17:5-8
1 Corinthians 15:12,16-20
Luke 6:17,20-26

THE SEARCH FOR TRUE HAPPINESS

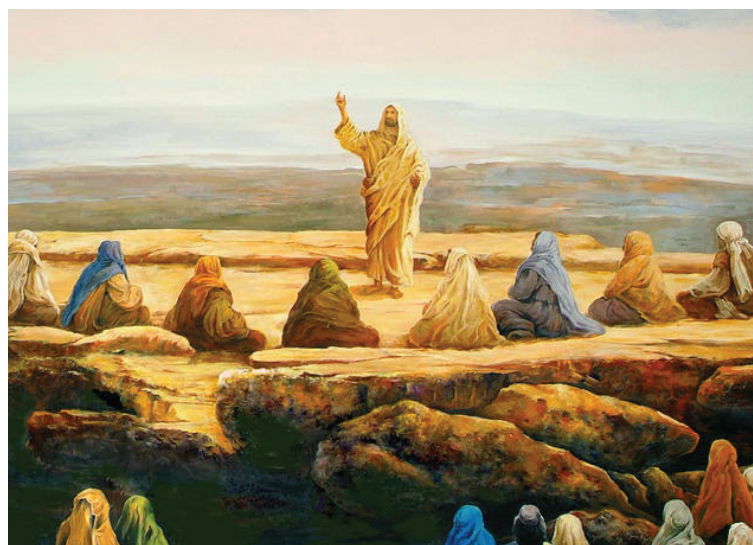
Who wouldn't want to take the direct path to happiness? Well, today's Gospel reading gives us a roadmap to follow if we want to be happy, not just in the future, but today as well.

What is the wonderful guide, you may be asking? It's the Beatitudes.

What makes the Beatitudes so different is that their message runs contrary to what the world teaches about happiness. The world tells us that we can find true happiness in having successful careers, in being esteemed by our peers, by having a lot of money, getting the latest fashion, or having a lot of fun. The Beatitudes tell us that true happiness comes from self-sacrifice, from following the way of the Lord even when it is difficult, and from putting others first.

This message wasn't any easier to accept in Jesus' time than it is today. However, we must all come to the point where we acknowledge our spiritual poverty and our complete dependence on God if we want to be truly happy. Then we can begin to understand why Jesus would say, "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours."

This Sunday's passage from Luke is sometimes called the "Sermon on the Plain" to distinguish it from Matthew's "Sermon on the Mount." Luke suggests that Jesus is a new Moses coming down from a new Mount Sinai to give a New Law for the New Covenant People of God. The New



Law was that God's blessing would explode in the world to such an extent through his offering of self that even the greatest evils of human history (poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution) would be seen as channels of immense blessing.

The blessings of God, unlocked by Christ's cross, would be so vast under the new regime that no amount of earthy comfort could compare. In fact, those who pursue riches, feasts, entertainment, and honor for their own sake will find them empty in comparison and perhaps even the cause of their own perdition.

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

5.00pm (Chapel)
FIRST Sunday of the month

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PARISH UPDATES

CANTEEN

This week's canteen is run by INDIAN CATHOLIC MOVEMENT. Come and have great food and fellowship!

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR 'GIFT'

Please give generously in faith and thankfulness this weekend 16 & 17 Feb for the Archdiocese's projects and organisations.



COLLECTION OF OLD PALMS

You are encouraged to return old palm branches so that they can be burnt to make ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please place them in boxes provided outside RCIA Lecture Hall (Rm 105) until 24 Feb.

RCIA RETREAT

30 Catechumens from our current English RCIA process will be attending a retreat at IHM Church Retreat Centre, from 16 to 17 Feb 2019, to prepare themselves for their Rite of Election on 10 Mar 2019. Please pray for these Catechumens that they will be filled with the Holy Spirit during the retreat.

PARISH FINANCE MEETING

This will be held on 19 Feb (Tue), 8pm in Rm 107 (please note the change of venue).



FAMILY PRAYER & HEALING SERVICE

22 Feb (Fri), 8pm - 10pm at CTK main church. Praise & Worship at 7.45pm. Organized by Vine & Branches - Church of Christ The King

CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

- 22 Feb (Fri) – No meeting in view of the Family Prayer & Healing Service
- 01 Mar (Fri) – 8pm in the Basement Chapel
- 08 Mar (Fri) – No meeting
- 15 Mar (Fri) – No meeting
- 22 Mar (Fri) – 8pm in the Basement Chapel
- 29 Mar (Fri) – No meeting

YOUTHS PRAYER MEET

24 Feb (Sun), 2.30pm - 4.30pm at Rm 401, Level 4 by Vine & Branches - Church of Christ The King



DEVOTION TO ST. PEREGRINE

Come pray with us to St. Peregrine, patron of persons with cancer, foot ailments or any incurable disease, on 24 Feb (Sun), 1pm - 1.45pm at Room 107.

TAMIL MASS

This will be held on 24 Feb (Sun) 6.30pm, in the Chapel, followed by fellowship.

FREE LEGAL CLINIC

The next session is on 26 Feb (Tue). Kindly deposit your registration form into CTK letterbox 46 by 19 Feb (Tue).



ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Spend an hour with the Lord before the Blessed Sacrament on 27 Feb (Wed), 8 - 9pm at the Chapel.

INFANT BAPTISM

Next Infant Baptism is on 3 Mar (Sun), 4.00pm. Preparation session on 26 Feb (Tue), 8.00pm. Parents & godparents, please register by 19 Feb (Tue).

ASH WEDNESDAY

6 March 2019

Mass times: 6:30am, 1:00pm, 7:00pm

A day of fast & abstinence. There will be blessing and imposition of ashes at all Masses.



MAGNIFICAT: CELEBRATING OUR LIVES

Every Wednesday, 10am - 1pm @ CTK Canteen.

This weekly programme includes talks, prayer, exercise/dance and lunch. Suitable for anybody who is available, sick, retirees, disabled.



FREE MEDICAL CLINIC

If you need medical help but cannot afford clinic fees, come by CTK's free medical clinic on Wed 7pm-9pm or Sun 2pm-4pm.

NEIGHBOURHOOD CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY ALL ARE WELCOME!

NCC 200 Divine Mercy Prayer

18 Feb (Mon), 8.30pm @ Jeffrey & Tracy's place, Blk 223 AMK Ave 1 #03-527.



NCC 200 Scripture Sharing

25 Feb (Mon), 8.30pm @ George & Charis' place, Blk 259 AMK Ave 2 #22-08.

NCC 300 Divine Mercy followed by Fellowship

17 Feb (Sun), 8pm @ Wilson & Florence's place, Blk 330 AMK Ave 1 # 11-1807

NCC 500 Monthly Meeting/Fellowship/Pot Luck

23 Feb (Sat), 7.30pm @ Blk 545 #05-2270

BISHAN NCC Divine Mercy Prayer

22 Feb (Fri), 8.30pm @ Blk 224, #03-125

6 WAYS TO FIND YOUR PURPOSE IN LIFE

ACCORDING TO ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA



PICK THE RIGHT TIME TO THINK ABOUT IT

Making decisions takes time and experience. Don't make choices while worried or distracted.



IMAGINE YOURSELF IN THE FUTURE

Ten or twenty years from now, are you happy with your choice? Could you take it or leave it?



ASK THE PEOPLE WHO KNOW YOU BEST

They might surprise you with how much insight they have into your life (especially God).



THINK ABOUT HOW THE REST OF YOUR LIFE IS AFFECTED

Once you find your purpose, you'll know it, because everything else falls into place.



PRETEND YOU ARE ANOTHER PERSON GIVING ADVICE TO YOURSELF

What would you say to you? Would you be disappointed in your choices? Pleased?



IMAGINE YOU ARE LIVING YOUR LAST MOMENTS

Are you happy with the way you have lived your life? If not, what can you change?

Aleteia.org: 6 Ways to find your purpose in life according to St. Ignatius of Loyola



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FORMED PICKS OF THE WEEK

CTK Parishioners have free access to the following recommended resources at **FORMED.ORG**, the online portal for the best Catholic movies, programmes, talks, audio dramas, ebooks and more! Register at www.christthekingsg.formed.org

SAINT PHILIP NERI

3hr 39min movie



An epic feature film on the "Apostle of Rome" and great friend of youth in the 16th century. One of the most popular saints of all time, St. Philip Neri was widely known for his great charity, deep prayer life, and tremendous humor.

GOD WITH US

1hr 28min animated cartoon



A dramatic retelling of the life of Jesus Christ as seen through the eyes of the last surviving apostle, John. Journey with Jesus and encounter His miracles, His astonishing teaching and His unsurpassed bravery.

FAN OR FOLLOWER?

60min audio talk



There are many fans of Jesus in this world, but we are also called to be His disciples. Jesus wants us to surrender every bit of our own comfort to follow Him. A sharing by Jeff Cavins, a former Protestant pastor.

DIOCESAN EVENTS

LOVE, FOOLISHLY: A LENTEN DRAMA RETREAT

Journey with Jesus as he enters Jerusalem and embraces his Passion. Through imaginative contemplation and pray-acting, enter into and share in his Passion. Will you be a fool for Christ? Presented at Montfort Centre. 12 – 14 April. Contribution: \$345 (Single) \$270 (Twin). Details/Registration: anthonyatmontfort@gmail.com or 96311943.

CHARIS MISSION TRIP

Join us in building bio-sand filters for Typhoon Haiyan survivors in the Cebu, Philippines. From 31 Mar to 6 Apr 2019, \$900 per pax. Limited spaces available. Kindly register at: <https://tinyurl.com/chariscebu2019>. For more info, contact Antaeus at antaeus@charis-singapore.org or tel: 6337-4119. Website: www.charis-singapore.org

BECOMING WHAT WE RECEIVE

Half-day Retreat for Married Couples - Need some time away to pray with the Word of God? Join us for a quiet and spirit-provoking afternoon of prayer with the Verbum Dei Missionaries on Sun, 31 Mar, 3.15pm to 6.00pm. To register, SMS or WhatsApp Mark at @ 94870999.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER (ME) WEEKEND

Marriage Encounter facilitates life-changing weekends for married couples. By transforming the way husband and wife communicate, it forges greater intimacy and a closer relationship. Slots are still open for the next ME Weekend from Mar 1-3. E-mail mewkend@gmail.com or visit wwmesg.org

The minute you walk outside
your church on Sunday,
you're in mission territory.

Bishop Robert Barron



OUR PARISH PRAYER SCHEDULE

ROSARY DEVOTION

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

13th day of the month

Weekdays 8pm (Grotto)
Weekends 7pm (Grotto)

MAGNIFICAT: CELEBRATING LIFE

Wed 10am - 1pm (Canteen)

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Tue 8pm (Chapel)

ADOREMUS EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Last Wed of the month 8pm (Chapel)

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH CHILDREN

2nd Sat of the month 4pm
(St Mary's Room, Level 3)

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Thu 8pm - 9pm (Room 303)

CHARISMATIC PRAYER

1st & 4th Fri of the month 8pm
(Chapel)

SACRED HEART DEVOTION

Fri after evening Mass
(Main Church)

SECOND COLLECTION

1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

2nd collection for Society of St. Vincent de Paul to assist the poor. Cheques may be issued to **SSVP - CTK Conference**

3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

2nd collection for GIFT programme for Archdiocese's projects, organisations and initiatives.

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 ONE year 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/ceesport). 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.

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. Please fill in registration form (available at the parish office) and deposit form 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.

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