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SUNDAY MASSES : 8.30 AM (MANDARIN), 10.00 AM, 2 PM (CANTONESE – Chapel) & 4.20 PM

WEEKDAY MASSES: 7.20 AM & 5.30 PM

SATURDAY SUNSET MASS : 5.30 PM

INTERCESSORY PRAYER (@ Adoration Chapel : Wednesday at 8.00 pm (Mandarin)
 Thursday at 7.15 pm (English)

DEVOTIONS: *INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE* : Thursday at 5.30 pm (followed by Mass)
 Sunday at 4.00 pm (followed by Mass)

DIVINE MERCY : Friday after 5.30 pm Mass
 Sunday at 12.30 pm (Mandarin)

HOUR OF MERCY (@ Adoration Chapel) : Daily at 3.00 pm

FREE MEDICAL COUNSELLING : 2nd & 4th Thursdays: 3.30 pm to 5 pm (English)

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 24 AUG 2008

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Responsorial Psalm : “Your love O Lord, is eternal. Discard not the work of your hands.”

Prayer of the Faithful: Page 301

Our hunger for God is at the core of Christian spirituality. We strive to follow Jesus since He reveals to us the fullness of God. Today’s readings remind us that our Saviour is a Suffering Messiah, one who comes in humility and gentleness to do the will of the Father. The challenge of discipleship, to take up the cross daily and follow the Lord is a response of love to the question Jesus puts to His disciples: “But you --- who do you say I am ?”



Readings for the Week :

Mon: 2 Thes 1: 1-5,11-12/Mt 23: 13-22
 Tue: 2 Thes 2: 1-3,14-17/Mt 23: 23-26
 Wed: 2 Thes 3: 6-10,16-18/Mt 23: 27-32
 Thu: 1 Cor 1:1-9/Mt 24: 42-51
 Fri: 1 Cor 1: 17-25/Mt 6: 17-29
 Sat: 1 Cor 1: 26-31/Mt 25: 14-30

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRIESTLY ORDINATION The Sacerdotal Ordination of **Rev Deacon Yangyuen Pricha (John Bosco) OCD**, will take place in Thailand, Kanchanaburi (near Bridge of the River Kwai) at the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows on **27 Sep 08** at 10 am. Let us continue to pray for him. Our SPP Church will be organizing a trip to Thailand for his Ordination. If you are interested, please contact Lawrence Seet at tel: 97992488 or Parish Office at tel: 63372585 for details.

TEACHERS' DAY We wish all teachers a very “Happy Teacher’s Day” which falls on **Mon 1 Sep 08**.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS There will be a special blessing for sisters and brothers involved in the Teaching Ministry – in kindergartens; schools; tertiary institutions; catechetics in SPP; RCIA; and Bible Study. The blessing will take place at all Eucharistic Celebrations on **Sat 30 Aug & Sun 31 Aug**. We wish to thank God for the gift of our Catholic teachers.

PRAYER FOR VOCATION The 2nd Day of Prayer for Vocation under Archdiocesan level is held at Church of Sts Peter & Paul on **Sat 6 Sep 08** from 2 pm to 5.15 pm followed by Mass celebrated by His Grace Archbishop Nicholas Chia. Do come and participate in this 3-hour of prayer for vocation. All the seminarians from the St Francis Major Seminary will be here to share with you their experiences.

BAPTISM Our next Baptism Service will be held **Sun 28 Sep 08** at 10 am in our SPP Church as part of the Mass. Parents and godparents must attend a baptismal preparation with the priest **before** the baptism date i.e. on **Sat 20 Sep** at 3 pm in SPP Meeting Room 8. Application Forms for Baptism are obtainable from our church office or download from our website: www.sppchurch.org.sg/downloads.html.

SPP BULLETIN Our church’s weekly English newsletter is calling for members to form an Editorial Board for the revamped bulletin. If you are interested, please your names to our Parish Priest, Fr Anselm Phang, OCD. Thank you for coming forward !

SPP CARPARK Please note the gates of our church compound carpark are opened daily from **6 am to 9 pm**. The gates will be closed after 9 pm. For all carpark users, please follow the directions of our Church of Sts Peter and Paul Hospitality Ministers when parking your cars during the weekends, and especially when the carpark is stressed and tense. Thank you.

ANNUAL PROCESSION IN HONOUR OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP Triduum from Wed 3 Sep to Fri 5 Sep 08 at 7.00 pm. Annual Novena Procession on Sun 7 Sep 08 at 6.00 pm. The theme of this year’s celebration is “Jesus Christ our Hope”. Youth Rally on Mon 8 Sep 08 at 7.30 pm. Prayer Rally on Tue 9 Sep 08 at 7.30 pm. All these events will be held at the Novena Church grounds.

YEAR OF ST PAUL

Have you signed the Pledge Book to read at least one book of St Paul* during the Year of St Paul? This book is called "Singaporean Catholics Commemorate St Paul's Year" and will be presented to the Vatican at the end of the Pauline Year. During the year-long celebration our church will also focus on the promotion of Pauline Texts and ecumenism as encouraged by Pope Benedict XVI.

* The Books of St Paul include: Romans, Corinthians, Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon, Thessalonians, Timothy, Titus.

Signing of the Pledge takes place in our church after all weekend Masses and after the weekday morning masses on Tuesday and Friday.

During Anno Paolino, our parish will screen 7 documentaries pertaining to Paul.. The first screening, *Peter and Paul*, will commence this **Sun 24 Aug 08** at 12.15 pm at the SPP Praise and Worship Room (next to canteen). Q & A session will follow each screening where our priests will enlighten the audience's queries. All are welcome.



AMAZING RACE 2008 On 15 Sep 2007, *Arise* had its first *Amazing Race*! Friends from St. Teresa's Church, St. Bernadette's as well as Living Stones Campus Outreach joined the team. Some memorable moments of the Race included scaling the long flight of stairs near Cathay, the crawling meal-worms, the parables to decode as well as singing and dancing in front of the MRT station. The whole event ended off with a sumptuous BBQ. Join us for the *St Paul's Amazing Race 2008* on **Sun 31 Aug 08**. Have you signed up for yet? Wait no longer! Call Emily 9127-7266.

PAUL FOR SINGAPORE In conjunction with the Year of St Paul, our parish will hold two full-day retreats at our church. Both retreats, *Paul for Singapore*, will be conducted by Fr Ambrose Vaz. The first will be held on **Mon 27 Oct 08** (Deepavali Holiday) from 9 am to 5 pm. The programme will include lectures, reflections, praise and worship and screening. Only 120 seats are available. Fees: \$50/- per retreat (with lunch and tea-break). Registration at the church office is now open till 14 Sep 08.

MASS FOR THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED A mass dedicated to the souls of the faithful departed whose remains are placed in the columbarium in our church, and for their family members is held in our church every last Friday of the month. For the month of August 2008 it will be held on **Fri 29 Aug 08** at 5.30 pm.