33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Today's Readings

First Reading : Daniel 12:1-13

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14,18 Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

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Special Days This Week

Mon 16/11 St Margaret of Scotland; St Gertrude, virgin

Tue 17/11 St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious

Wed 18/11 Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul

Sat 21/11 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday's Readings Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

First Reading : Daniel 7:13-14 Second Reading : Revelations 1:5-8 Gospel : John 18:33b-37



What is true I used to work with someone who was very patient with those he met and rarely expressed anger in public. But as I got to know him better, I began to recognize the small signs he gave off when he was irritated. His lips tightened. He would start drumming his fingers or moving his foot when seated. When that happened, we all knew to leave him alone as he worked out what he wanted to do. We also could act as sounding boards, helping him see different ways of looking at

things. I thought this "sign-seeing" only when one way until one day he so accurately described what I do when I start feeling stressed out that it made me laugh. I thought I hid my stress very well, and I probably did to those who didn't work with me every day.

In Mark's Gospel, Jesus talks about the signs that will precede the coming of the Son of Man. He quotes the prophet Daniel, and the signs are disturbing: the sun will darken and the stars will fall. Such apocalyptic images (referring to the end times) are often found in times of persecution. This passage was written close to the destruction of the Temple by the Romans and attempts to encourage the reader to remain faithful in what seem like end times because Christ will come again.

Of course, not everyone has faith or finds hope in what they see. The question posed to us – to all – is this: "Have we been with Christ long enough to know and see the signs that he will come again, or do we need to pay closer attention to him?"

Mary Katharine Deeley (sundaybulletin@liguori.org)

"Lord Jesus, fill me with your Holy Spirit that I may radiate the joy of your kingdom and the fire of your love to all I meet and serve. Direct my life to the glory of your name and to the coming of your kingdom."

Don Schwager (www.rc.net/wcc/readings/nov15)





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Parish Mission Statement

Towards SBC being a participatory church in which everyone is co-responsible for the overall care of the parish and shares in the mission of Christ.

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MASS SCHEDULE

English

Monday to Friday 6.30am & 6.00pm

Saturday 6.30am; Sunset Mass 6.00pm Sunday 9.30am; 11.00am & 5.30pm

Chinese

Sunday 8.00am

Indonesian

2nd & 4th Sunday 3.30pm

Filipino

2nd Sunday 1.00pm

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday 5.30pm

Sunday 7.45am, 9am, 10.30am & 5.00pm

PARISH CENTRE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Saturday 10.00am to 9.00pm Sunday & Public Holiday 7.30am to 7.30pm

CHURCH GATES CLOSING TIME

Monday to Saturday 10.30pm sharp Sunday 10.00pm sharp

Church groups & visitors are to vacate church premises at least 30 minutes before closing time.

GIFT SHOP OPENING HOURS

Saturday: 5pm-7pm; Sunday: 9am-12pm & 5pm-7pm

Week starting 15 November 2015

AT THE ADORATION ROOM

Opening Hours: Monday to Sunday: 7.00am to 10.00pm Closed for cleaning: Saturday 10.00am to 12.00pm

Tue 7.00pm-8.00pm Divine Mercy
Thu 10.00am-12.00pm Spanish Group
7.45pm-9.00pm Christian Meditation

Fri 8.00pm-9.30pm FLOW Sat 2.00pm-3.00pm Living Stones

AT THE GROTTO

Rosary Prayer at the Grotto every Wednesday at 7.30pm.
All are welcome.

CANTEEN

Canteen is open today.

Do come in for a free cup of coffee or tea after the Sunday morning masses.

NOTICE: Parishioners and visitors to this Church and its premises are advised that CCTVs are in operation and you may be individually identified on video, in photographs or any other forms of visual representation, taken by photographers, whether authorized or official, for use in any Church publication, Church archives or any other social media form.



To all who have indicated interest or signed up to join a ministry or community during

our Mission Sunday event, we invite you to come for the Welcome Tea on Sun 29 Nov, 1.45pm–4pm at the Parish Hall. Even if you are still pondering and not ready to commit, do join us for a session of prayers & formation by Fr Samuel, at this Welcome Tea. Please RSVP at the parish office, email PPCstberns@gmail.com or with your respective groups.

PRAYER @ WAKE GROUP — There will be a commissioning of new members and renewal of commitment by members at the 5.30pm mass today. We give thanks to God for their selfless service in this ministry of praying for the soul of the faithful departed and giving support to the bereaved family. We pray also for more people to be inspired to serve in the ministry. If you are interested to find out more, email josephinelsr@singnet.com.sg or leave your name and contact details with the parish secretary.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – The P2 Sunday School class had a retreat on Sat 14 Nov and celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in our church. These children are preparing for their First Holy Communion. We pray that they will continue to grow in God's way.

CHILDREN'S EUCHARISTIC ADORATION -

Parents, bring your children to join us for an hour of worship before the Real Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Next session is on **Sun 22 Nov, 7.30pm-8.30pm** in the Adoration Room.

PART-TIME SACRISTAN — We need a Part-time Sacristan. Duty includes opening the church doors and preparing the altar for the celebration of morning masses. If you are interested, please call 6737 3529 for more details.



CALLING ALL YOUNG ADULTS between the ages of 21-35. The Youth Office of St Bernadette's Church invites you to a Day of Recollection on Sat 28 Nov, 10am to 9pm. Come, join us as we recollect and renew our faith!

FUND-RAISING FOR CANOSSIAN SISTERS' MISSION — This weekend, representatives from the Canossian Sisters will be here to raise funds for their missions. "Musings", a colouring book inspired by stained glass and includes quotes for reflection will be on sale at church entrances. Please give them your generous support.

BLESSING OF COUPLES CELEBRATING WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN NOVEMBER will take place at the 11am Parish Mass on Sun 29 Nov. If your wedding anniversary is in November, do come to the Mass to be blessed.



We are blessed with an increasing number of parishioners. With a packed church, let's extend

the Christian spirit by placing our bags on our laps or on the floor instead of the seat so we can make room for others to sit on the pews.



WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016, KRAKOW – World Youth Day (WYD) is an international meeting of

youth from all over the world who gather together in one place with their catechists, priests, bishops and the Pope in order to profess faith in Jesus Christ. The Office for Young People (OYP) will be leading the Singapore contingent of 200 pilgrims to the WYD 2016 in Krakow, Poland. If you are interested in making the pilgrimage to Krakow, please register via the OYP. Registration closes on 30 Nov. You may approach the booths this weekend; or email sbcyouthsg@gmail.com or shaun.oyp@catholic.org.sg for more info.

PARENTING TALKS BY DEACON HAROLD BURKE-SIVERS. Known worldwide as the Dynamic Deacon, and a much sought after speaker, he will be giving 2 talks on Sun 29 Nov, 1.30pm to 4.30pm, to Catholic parents at the Church of the Holy Spirit. Built around the theme of "Helping Our Kids Make It In Life", he will be speaking on "The Roles & Responsibilities of Catholic Parents" and "Man of the House: Growing in God's Call to Fatherhood". On Wed 2 Dec, he will be speaking to those serving in family life ministries on "The Family Fully Alive: Sharing in the Mission". Go to www.catholicfamily.sg to register or for more info.

CARITAS S'PORE YOUNG ADULTS

SESSION — "Recognising the Voice of Love in a Broken World", a talk by Fr Christopher Soh SJ, will provide a time of learning, reflection and sharing on how God is calling us to respond amidst challenging situations in life and in society. On Sat 28 Nov, 10am-2pm (lunch included) at Catholic Centre, Level 3, 55 Waterloo St. F.O.C.. Love offering welcomed. Contact youngadult@caritas-singapore.org if you have queries or sign up at goo.gl/forms/mWAauZ6TzQ

"KERYGMA 2016" is a 2-week formation program, from 10 to 24 Jan 2016, offered primarily to post JC students / poly students waiting for results and young adults up to the age of 30 years. The vision is to form a new generation of Catholic youth in Singapore, radical in their spiritual life and passionate for the work of God and Evangelisation. For details, visit www.oyp.org.sg

OFFICE FOR THE NEW EVANGELISATION

is looking for an energetic and inspired person to hire as a staff for the office. If you have a desire to serve, sign up with the Office. Catholics who are convinced about the need to evangelise and interested in the position are to contact the Office. Visit one.org.sg or call 6858 3011 for more info.

"MERCY WALK", organised by the Conference of Religious Major Superiors of Singapore (CRMS) for the opening of The Jubilee Year of Mercy. You are invited to take part to show our solidarity to the prisoners and all those most in need of God's mercy: on Tue 8 Dec, starting at Changi Prison Museum (Changi Chapel), assembly time: 5.15pm, walk starts: 5.30pm; end at Church of Divine Mercy (Pasir Ris) for Mass at 7.30pm. Transportation will be provided to those who need to return to Changi Prison Museum after the Mass. Participants are to bring their own bottle of drinking water, wear walking shoes and change of clothes.

HelpLines

SPIRITUAL DIRECTION – Helps people see, accept, and live out God's will in their lives. Available by appointment. Email: CitySpDs@gmail.com

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS – Help in overcoming alcoholic addiction available, every Tuesday 7.00pm. Call 9053 1764.

COUNSELLING SERVICE – Trained para-counsellors from Family Life Society offer counselling service in 10 parishes including our parish. Call 63820688 (Mon to Fri, 10.00am to 5.00pm) for appointment.