



ST ANTHONY'S VOICE

25 Woodlands Avenue 1 Singapore 739064
 Main Line: 63683804 - Parish Office
 Website: www.saint-anthony.org
 Parish Priest: Rev Fr Andrew Wong (Ext 206)
 Assistant Priest: Rev Fr John Lau (Ext 205)
 Resident Priest: Rev Fr Cyril Lee (Ext 207)

\$10 683.45
 was collected from
 23rd Ordinary Sun
 (9 & 10 Sept)

A PARTICIPATIVE CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES BUILDING THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

MASS TIMINGS

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon to Sat: 6.30am
 Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri: 6.30pm
 Tue & 1st Fri: 8pm
 Lauds: 6.15am Vespers: 6.15pm
 Rosary: After evening mass
 except Tue & 1st Fri.

Public Holiday: 7am only
 Tamil Mass: 7.30pm 1st & 2nd Sat
 Malayalam Mass: 7.30pm 3rd & 5th Sat
 Devotion to St Anthony: Tuesdays
 7.15pm; Mass @ 8pm
 Divine Mercy: Fridays @ 8pm
 St Lucy/Angela
 Divine Mercy: 1st Fri @ 7.30pm
 Sacred Heart: 1st Friday mass @ 8pm
 Our Lady at The Grotto: 1st Sat
 Rosary after morning mass

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE:

Sat Sunset: 6.00pm
 Sun (Mandarin): 7.30am
 Sun : 9.15am & 11.15am & 6.00pm
 Rosary: 5.30pm before Sat sunset
 mass & Sun evening mass.

Prayer for Priests & Vocations:
 3rd Thur at 7.45pm Adoration room
 Blessing of expecting parents:
 1st Sun - at the end of mass
 Adoration Room @ Mt Tabor:
 Daily from 7.00am to 10.30pm
 Medical Clinic @ the basement:
 Mondays from 7.30pm to 9pm
 Closed on public holidays.
 The Bookshop Opening Hour:
 Before all weekend masses.

24th Ordinary Sunday (17 Sept)

Preacher: Fr Andrew Wong

Sat 6.00pm: Fr Andrew Wong
 Sun 7.30am: Fr Daniel Lim
 Sun 9.15am: Fr Cyril Lee
 Sun 11.15am: Fr John Lau
 Sun 6.00pm: Fr Andrew Wong



There will be a second
 collection for **GIFT**
 (Giving in Faith & Thankfulness;
 Catholic Foundation Singapore)
 this week.
 Please give generously.

How are we saved by God?

What is the state of relationship between Catholics and Protestants 500 years after the Reformation?

A presentation on the main issues in the Declaration on Justification
 by Catholic and some Protestant Churches.

Wed 20 Sept 7.30 pm to 9 pm Speaker: Mr Mike Arents

@St Joseph's Church, Victoria Street (Parish House, Conference Room) - No car park available.

Monthly Adoration

To have the Fullness of Life in Jesus.

*Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth
 as in heaven". (Mathew 6:10)*

Fri 22 Sept 8pm @ Mt Tabor

Onam Fest 2017

The Malayalam Community will be celebrating their
 traditional **Onam Festival**.

Sat 23 Sept 5.00pm @ the auditorium.

Pieta is a support group for bereaved parents who have united in faith to seek God's comfort, wisdom and hope. The session, run by bereaved parents, meets monthly to pray, reflect and break open the WORD OF GOD. We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to unite with us in faith. Our monthly session is on every 4th Tuesday of the month, **7:30pm to 9:00pm** at **Agape Village**, Toa Payoh Lorong 8, and the next one would be held on **Tue 26 Sept 2017**. Our contact details are email: pieta.singapore@gmail.com and we can also be found on facebook: <https://m.facebook.com/PietaSingapore>

Lend a hand**The Society of St Vincent De Paul (SSVP)**

is looking for volunteers to help paint and clean the houses of our friends in need.
(Please be prepared that the conditions and hygiene of their houses are not of optimal level.)

Saturday 30 September 2017 at 10.30am. @ Church Foyer

Interested? Please give your name and contact by **25 Sept 2017** to Jeremy Bruce at **9114 7615**
or email svdp@saint-anthony.org

Marriage Encounter Weekend (ME)

ME facilitates life-changing weekends for married couples. It benefits both young couples who want to build a strong marital foundation as well as those who have clocked many years together and strive to keep the flame burning strong.

There are still slots for the next **Fri 6 Oct to Sun 8 Oct**. For registration or enquiries, call Joseph & Reenie **9670-5390**, e-mail mewkend@gmail.com or visit www.MESingapore.org

MASS AND HEALING SERVICE

Sat 7 October @St Anthony Church Auditorium at 7.00pm

Rosary, Praise & Worship, Adoration and mass celebrated by Rev Fr. James Yeo

All are welcome!

Come and receive His love and mercy.

TERM 4 CATECHISM 2017

Catechism will commence on Sat 16 September 2017.

CATECHISM BREAK

There will be **NO CATECHISM CLASSES** on the following dates:

- a) On Sat 7 October 2017 for all PRIMARY LEVEL (Children's Day)
- b) From Sat 18 November 2017 (Year End Break)

STUDENTS ADORATION SESSIONS

All parents and students are to take note of the following Adoration Sessions on Saturdays.
Students are to assemble in St Angela / St Lucy by 7.45 pm.

- a) Confirmation 3 on the 16 September
- b) Confirmation 1 on the 30 September
- c) Confirmation 3 on the 07 October
- d) Confirmation 2 on the 14 October
- e) Confirmation 2 on the 28 October

CONFIRMATION LEVEL STUDENTS WORKSHOP / ACTIVITY

All Confirmation Level students are to take note of the following Workshop date and timing:

- a) Confirmation 2 & 4 students on Sat 30 September @ 2.00 - 5.00 pm
(Catholics & Christians Workshop - Part 1) - St Thomas Aquinas Room
- b) Confirmation 2 & 4 students on Sat 07 October @ 2.00 - 5.00 pm
(Catholics & Christians Workshop - Part 2) - St Thomas Aquinas Room
- c) Confirmation 2 students from Mon 6 Nov to Fri 10 Nov evenings @ (Time -TBC)
(Week of Guided Prayer) - St Lucy / St Angela Room

DRESSING AND PUNCTUALITY

All parents and students are reminded to be properly dressed and to be punctual for classes to avoid being sent home or locked out of classes. Do refer to the "Requirements for Catechism" on the dress code.

常年期第二十四主日
2017年9月17日

为庆祝法蒂玛圣母显现一百周年，教宗方济各祝
圣法蒂玛圣像巡回朝圣华语弥撒与敬礼。

日期：2017年9月18日（星期一）

时间：中午12时至2时

地点：圣伯多禄圣保禄堂主祭：萧永伦神父

形式：弥撒与证道，诵念玫瑰经

主办：新加坡天主教总教区华文教务委员会。

圣安多尼堂神恩复兴团体 - 感恩祭与圣体医治

日期：01/10/2017（星期日）

时间：1:30pm-5pm

主祭：林长震神父

地点：圣安多尼堂，St. Catherine Room（乘电
梯到3楼转右）

形式：敬拜赞美，感恩祭，明供圣体，圣体医
治，见证和共融茶点。

询问：范洲南(9684 8989)

让我们一起来敬拜赞美主，荣耀祂的圣名和分享
祂的爱。欢迎大家带家人和亲友们出席。

伸出你的援手

圣文生社团欢迎社工为一些贫苦家庭帮忙清洗及
油漆房屋。（屋子的卫生状况不佳）

日期：2017年9月30日（星期六）

时间：10:30am

地点：圣堂集合

询问：Jeremy Bruce (91147615)

பொதுக்காலம் - 24ஆம்ஞாயிறு

தமிழில்திருப்பலிமற்றும்
ஜெபமாலை

நாள்

: முதல்மற்றும்இரண்டாம்சனி
க்கிழமை

நேரம் : மாலை 7:15

மணிக்குஜெபமாலையும்அ
தைதொடர்ந்துதிருப்பலியும்
மீழில்நடைபெறும்.

அனைவரும்குடும்பத்துடன்க
லந்துகொண்டுஇறைஆசீர்பெ
றஅன்புடன்அழைக்கிறோம்.

Spoken English Course

அடுத்தமாதம்செப்டம்பர்மு
தல்நமதுஆலயத்தில்இலவச
மாககற்றுக்கொடுக்கப்படும்

நேரம் : மதியம்12:00 - 1.00
வரை

மூன்றாவது&நான்காவதுஞா
யிற்றுக்கிழமை!

தொடர்பு:

St. Cecily's Angels Choir

குழந்தைகள்பாடகர்க்குமுபு
திதாகதுவங்கஇருக்கிறது.
இதில்சேரவிருப்பமுள்ளகு
ழந்தைகளின்பெயர்களைப
திவுசெய்துகொள்ளுங்கள்.

டேனியல் : 81868586

ஒப்புரவுதிருவருட்சாதனம்

மாலை 7:15

மணிக்குஜெபமாலையெபிக்க
ப்படும்அதேநேரத்தில்கருவா
னவர்ஒப்புரவுஅருட்சாதனம்
வழங்கிக்கொண்டுஇருப்பார்
இதனைபயன்படுத்திமாதம்ஒ
ருமுறைஇறைவனிடம்நாம்
கொண்டுள்ளஉறவைபுதுப்பித்
துக்கொள்வோம்.

புனிதஅந்தோணியார்நவ
நாள் (தமிழில்)

நாள் : ஒவ்வொருமாதமும்

முதல்செவ்வாய்க்கிழமை

நேரம் : மாலை 7:15 மணிக்கு

இடம் : புனிதஆக்னஸ்அறை

அன்பியம் (CNC Prayer)

நாள் : செப்டம்பர்23, 2017
சனிக்கிழமை

நேரம் : மாலை 8:00

தொடர்பு:

அண்ணாகுளோரியா

9010 4974.

"Lord, how often shall I forgive my brother?"**Reading 1:** Sirach 27:30—28:7**Responsorial Psalm:**

Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12

Reading 2: Roman 14:7-9**Gospel:**

Matthew 18:21-35

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18: 21 - 35

Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Meditation: Does mercy overlook justice? Justice demands that everyone be given their due. So when is it right to show mercy and pardon to those who have acted unjustly or wrongly? The prophet Amos speaks of God forgiving transgression three times, but warns that God may not revoke punishment for the fourth. When Peter posed the question of forgiveness, he characteristically offered an answer he thought Jesus would be pleased with. Why not forgive seven times! How unthinkable for Jesus to counter with the proposition that one must forgive seventy times that.

No limit to granting forgiveness and pardon

Jesus makes it clear that there is no limit to giving and receiving forgiveness. He drove the lesson home with a parable about two very different kinds of debts. The first man owed an enormous sum of money - millions in our currency. In Jesus' time this amount was greater than the total revenue of a province - more than it would cost to ransom a king! The man who was forgiven such an incredible debt could not, however, bring himself to forgive his neighbor a very small debt which was about one-hundred-thousandth of his own debt. The contrast could not have been greater!

Jesus paid our ransom to set us free from the debt of sin

No offense our neighbor can do to us can compare with our own personal debt to God for offending him! We have been forgiven an enormous debt we could not repay on our own. That is why the Father in heaven sent his only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who freely and willingly gave up his life for our sake to ransom us from slavery to sin, Satan, and death. Paul the Apostle states, "you were bought with a price" and that price was Jesus' death on the cross. Through the shedding of his blood on the cross, Jesus not only brought forgiveness and pardon for our offenses, but release from our captivity to Satan and bondage to sin.

Forgiving others is a sacred duty

If God has shown mercy to us in granting us pardon for our sins, then we, in turn, must show mercy and forgiveness towards every person who has offended us. The willingness to forgive those who offend us is a sacred duty. If we expect God to pardon us and show us his mercy when we sin and disobey his commandments, then we must be willing to let go of any resentment, grievance, or ill-will we feel towards our neighbor. Jesus teaches us to pray daily for the grace and strength to forgive others in the same measure in which God has forgiven us.. If we do not show mercy and forgiveness to our fellow human beings, how can we expect God to forgive us in turn? The Apostle James says that "judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy" .

Mercy seasons justice and perfects it

Mercy is the flip-side of God's justice. Without mercy justice is cold, calculating, and even cruel. Mercy seasons justice as salt seasons meat and gives it flavor. Mercy follows justice and perfects it. Justice demands that the wrong be addressed. To show mercy without addressing the wrong and to pardon the unrepentant is not true mercy but license. "Mercy will flower only when it grows in the crannies of the rock of Justice: transplanted to the marshlands of mere Humanitarianism, it becomes a man-eating weed, all the more dangerous because it is still called by the same name as the mountain variety." If we want mercy shown to us we must be ready to forgive others from the heart as God has forgiven us. Ask the Lord to purify your heart that you may show mercy and loving-kindness to all - and especially to those who cause you grief and ill-will.

Question for Community Faith Sharing:

1. In our everyday life, there are many occasions in which we seek someone's forgiveness or find that another person is seeking our forgiveness. How quickly do you apologize and seek forgiveness to others?
2. How frequently do you forgive when you hold any grudge or resentment towards anyone? Why?
3. How do you feel after seeking forgiveness or forgive towards every person who has offended you?

Jesus, you have been kind and forgiving towards me. May I be merciful as you are merciful. Free me from all bitterness and resentment that I may truly forgive from the heart those who have caused me injury or grief."