

+ REFLECTION

SUNDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2016 • 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Sir 35: 12-14, 16-19 Ps 33: 2-3, 17-18, 19, 23
2 Tm 4: 6-8, 16-18 Lk 18: 9-14

“Thank you, Father, for loving me just as I am right now. Thank you too for your grace, which can always help me become more like you.”

Have you ever been around someone who has a knack for putting people down? It seems they feel good about themselves only when they're degrading others. This could be part of this Pharisee's motivation for thanking God that he's not like everyone else. He may be acting more out of fear and insecurity than out of pure pride or arrogance.

It's doubtful that you spend all your time judging everyone else. But are there other ways that you compare yourself? When you see someone's weakness, do you use that person as a measuring stick, by asking yourself — “Am I doing better than him or worse?”

If you find yourself thinking that way, remember that God isn't comparing you to anyone. He loves you just as you are. We may think that we all need improvement but this love of God must be the starting point for any genuine spiritual growth we experience. He just loves us, and there's nothing we can do to make him love us any less!

As a point of reflection today, try meditating exclusively on God's love for you. Don't dwell on your sins. He already knows about them! Just sit in his presence, and think of all the ways he cares for you. He sent his Son to die for you. He planned from all eternity that you would be part of his kingdom. He's constantly sending grace and blessings to keep you in his love. If you reflect on this long enough, you won't worry about how your neighbor is doing. You'll be too busy thanking God!

Daily Readings

Oct 24 Mon: Ordinary Weekday/ St Anthony Mary Claret, bishop, religious founder

Eph 4: 32 – 5: 8 Ps 1: 1-2, 3, 4 and 6 Lk 13: 10-17

Oct 25 Tue: Ordinary Weekday

Eph 5: 21-33 Ps 127: 1-2, 3, 4-5 Lk 13: 18-21

Oct 26 Wed: Ordinary Weekday

Eph 6: 1-9 Ps 144: 10-14 Lk 13: 22-30

Oct 27 Thu: Ordinary Weekday

Eph 6: 10-20 Ps 143: 1b, 2, 9-10 Lk 13: 31-35

Oct 28 Fri: Simon and Jude, Apostles FEAST

Eph 2: 19-22 Ps 18: 2-3, 4-5 Lk 6: 12-19

Oct 29 Sat: Ordinary Weekday/ BVM

Phil 1: 18b-26 Ps 41: 2, 3, 5bcde Lk 14: 1, 7-11

A GENTLE REMINDER

Petitions to Divine Mercy

All petitions to the Divine Mercy will be offered up on the last Saturday of every month during the 5pm Divine Mercy devotion. Please place your petitions in the Petition Box at the Divine Mercy mosaic inside the main church.

Helping Hands Needed

We need more hands to clean the church. Just come by every Saturday from 8:00am to 10am at the main Church. All are welcome!

Parish Secretariat

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Opening Hours

Mon - Fri | 11am - 7pm
Closed for lunch | 1pm - 2pm
Sat | 12.30pm - 5.30pm
Sun | 9am - 1pm
Closed on public holidays

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Parish Census

For those who have not yet registered as parishioners of CDM, please do so at the Parish Office.



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Parish Bulletin

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The Jubilee Year of Mercy Holy Door will be open from 7am to 9pm daily.

Mass & Prayer Times

Weekday

6:30am, 6:15pm

Saturday

6:30am, 5:30pm

Every 1st Saturday of the month

7:30pm Syro-Malaba Mass (Chapel)

Every 3rd Saturday of the month

7:30pm Tagalog Mass

Sunday

7am, 9am, 11.30am, 5.30pm

Confessions 15 min before Mass.

Public Holidays 8am only

Divine Mercy Devotion

Daily at 6.45pm (Chapel)

Saturday at 5.00pm (Main Church)

Prayer for Priests

Every Thurs 5.15pm followed by 6.15pm mass

Community & Pastoral Care

Divine Mercy Apostolate

Neighbourhood Christian Community (NCC)

Prayer for the Sick & Dying

Funeral and Wake Services

Please contact the Parish Office or email secretariat@divinemercury.sg

Mission Sunday



This Jubilee year marks the 90th anniversary of World Missionary Day, first approved by Pope Pius XI in 1926 and organised by the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

“Good people suffer many troubles, but the Lord saves them from them all.”

- Ps 34:19

This Magnificent Planet

Who would claim to lock up in a church and silence the message of St. Francis of Assisi or Blessed Teresa of Calcutta? They themselves would have found this unacceptable. An authentic faith — which is never comfortable or completely personal — always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it.

We love this magnificent planet on which God has put us, and we love the human family which dwells here, with all its tragedies and struggles, its hopes and aspirations, its strengths and weaknesses.

— Pope Francis in Evangelii Gaudium

Reflection: Do you have a heart for God's people? Do you have a desire to change the world? Ask the Lord to increase your love for others, especially those who need to encounter the Lord's mercy amidst their trials and weaknesses.

+ PARISH BUZZ

23 October 2016 • For World Mission Sunday

For World Mission Sunday, with Catholics around the globe, we are called to offer our prayers and support through the Propagation of the Faith, for the worldwide mission of Jesus. Your gift on World Mission Sunday helps

- People in remote villages, towns and cities through the witness and work of missionaries and local priests.
- Children, the elderly, refugees, the sick and orphans through the service of Religious Sisters and Brothers.
- To bring the Gospel to the poorest of the our human family.
- Catechists proclaim the message of hope and peace.

Please offer prayer for the work of the Church in the missions today and please be as generous as you can today for World Mission Sunday. All collections taken on the weekend of 22-23 October will be for the spread of the Gospel.

Invitation to Mission

To bring the spirit of joy to those who celebrate this day of mission in communion by thanking each person for their presence in the community of faith. Take further step by encouraging a new zeal to further the Kingdom in new ways. Ask for the Holy Spirit to guide us into deeper communion with Him and with each other.



Transient Workers Count Too (TWC2)

We have handed over a total of 17 handsets donated by our generous parishioners in support of TWC2's effort to provide foreign works with 3G phones. Thank you for your support.

Infant Baptism Congrats!

Congratulations to the parents and godparents whose infants received the Sacrament of Baptism on 9 October 2016. Photographs are available on our website <http://divinemercury.sg/main/the-gift-of-faith-infant-baptism-october-2016/>



Photo courtesy of Jacqueline Tan (Photography Group)

+ PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Home Rosary Session

There will be no community Home Rosary from 24 Oct to 6 Nov. Please also pray for the ministry members and Fr. Johnson who will be away on a retreat this weekend.

Registration for 2017 Home Rosary

Parishioners who are keen to welcome the Holy Fatima Shrine to their homes can register with the Home Rosary Ministry, who will be at the foyer on the weekends of 29 & 30 Oct, and 5 & 6 Nov. For more information, please contact homerosary@divinemercury.sg

Christmas Eve Children's Mass Choir

We are forming a Christmas Eve Children's Choir! The Choral Music Ministry is looking for children between the ages 9 to 12 to form a Christmas Eve Children's Choir!

When 24 Dec, 5.30pm Children's Pageant followed by Mass at 6pm

Practices Every Sunday, 2pm to 3.30pm, commencing 20 Nov. Please contact Jean at jeandupratt@gmail.com or 91717591 by 19 November.

Registration for Catechism Sessions

Registration for 2017 Catechism Sessions will be held on the weekend of 22 & 23 Oct before and after all masses. Please note that a copy of the Baptism Certificate and First Holy Communion Certificate (if applicable) will be required. Registration forms can be downloaded from our parish website or obtained from the Parish Office.

Catechist Recruitment

If you have the passion for sharing our faith with children or youth and would like to be involved in parish catechesis, please contact Leonard Louis @ 81333078 or approach the catechists in the foyer before and after all masses on 22 & 23 Oct. To find out more about our parish catechesis, please visit the Catechetical Ministry page on our parish website.

Mission Sunday Collections

The collections taken up in all Parishes on 22-23 October will be placed at the disposal of the Universal Fund of the Pontifical Mission Society for the Propagation of the Faith. If you would like contribute by cheque, please issue to "TRCAS" and mail to 31, Victoria Street Singapore 187997 (Attn: Finance Office). Please indicate "Mission Sunday" at the back of the cheque.

David Hass Concert - Tickets Are Sold Out!

Please note that the tickets for this concert are sold out. If you have ordered the tickets, please collect them from the Parish Office.

The Children of Praise

The Children of Praise welcomes all to join us as we listen to a talk given by Fr. Johnson on 'Jesus and the Holy Spirit', on 27 Oct (Thu), 8pm, at the Parish Hall (L2).

Mass for People with Special Needs

The Office for Catechesis invites you to participate in this communion to support the inclusion of all people in the parish community.

When 30 October, Sunday at 2.30pm
Registration starts from 1.30pm

Where Agape Village
Register online at <http://tinyurl.com/jl5g2j9>
Or call the Office for Catechesis – 6858 3011
Or Email: cecilia@catechesis.org.sg

Conference for the New Evangelisation

Theme: "Serve the Lord with all your Gifts"
Organised by SACCRE in collaboration with the Office of the New Evangelisation.

When 19 & 20 Nov, 10am to 4pm

Where Holy Innocents High School Hall (L2)
1191 Upper Serangoon Rd, S(534786)

Speakers Fr Ken Barker (Australia) and
Fr Terence Pereira

Registration Fee \$40 per person
(includes Lunch and Tea Break)

Email saccre.resource.centre@gmail.com or call 6280 7003 for enquiries and registration.