

# Reflection

Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 Psalms 118 John 20:19-31

## THE RESURRECTION COMMUNITY

“The community of believers was of one heart and one mind. None of them ever claimed anything as his own; rather, everything was held in common.” —Acts 4:32

If we have everything in common with others, except our faith in the risen Christ, we are alien to each other. If we live in almost totally different worlds but have one thing in common, our faith in the risen Christ, then we are brothers and sisters, members of Christ's body.

Believing in and living for the risen Christ means more than everything else put together. For example, an elderly, affluent Christian business person will have a deeper sense of community with a young, impoverished, Tanzanian, Christian farmer than with non-Christian business partners.

Our faith in the risen Christ should motivate us to want to share daily community life with others who have also been transformed by the risen Jesus. We want to share the Bible, the Eucharist, time, prayer, material possessions, and meals (see Acts 2:42-46). Because we share a faith in the risen Christ, we want to share even “our very lives” (1 Thes 2:8).

The normal desire for community life with those who also believe in the risen Christ is stifled by sin, unforgiveness, fear, and doubt. In this state, we have more in common with the secular world than with believers in the risen Christ. We must believe, repent, and then live the normal, radical, risen community life called for by faith in the risen Christ.

**Prayer:** “Praised be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, He Who in His great mercy gave us new birth; a birth unto hope which draws its life from the resurrection of Jesus Christ” (1 Pt 1:3).

**Promise:** “Receive the Holy Spirit.” —Jn 20:22

**Praise:** Praise Jesus, Whose love and mercy has conquered both sin and sinner!

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## SMELL THE FLOWERS

Daily practical tips to simplify your life, stay healthy and care for our environment.

**Sunday** Stop to smell the flowers! How about a walk in the park?

**Monday** Resolve to say positive things to yourself.

**Tuesday** Breathe! Yes, just breathe in deeply and with gratitude.

**Wednesday** Bring your own bag when you go shopping.

**Thursday** Waste not, want not. If you are over-consuming, try to cut down the excesses.

**Friday** Go fully vegetarian today! (no fish / seafood). Do your part to reduce carbon footprint.

**Saturday** Enjoy a meal with your loved ones and savour the moments!

## Masses @ Hai Sing

Hai Sing Catholic School Hall  
9 Pasir Ris Drive 6

Saturday, 5:30pm  
Sunday, 1000am

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## Staying Connected

We welcome your feedbacks and suggestions. If you have articles to contribute, do let us know too!

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# CHURCH OF THE DIVINE MERCY

## Divine Mercy @ Hai Sing

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WEEKLY PARISH BULLETIN

**WELCOME** Our warm welcome to all who worship with our parish community. If you are new to the parish, please fill in a census form at the parish office. You may also request to have your house blessed.

**INFANT BAPTISMS** are celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of each month, except during the season of Lent. Parents and Godparents are required to come for a preparatory session 45 minutes before the 6pm Mass. Please register at the parish office.

**CATECHISM CLASSES** Pri.1 - Sec.4 are offered in the parish as well as the FIRE programme - Family Integrated Religious Education. Please enquire at the parish office.

**WEDDINGS** Arrangements for a Church wedding should be made at least six (6) months in advance. This would give the couple adequate time to attend either a Marriage Preparation Course (MPC) or an Engaged Encounter Weekend (EE). Application forms and booking of wedding date at the parish office.

**PRAYER & BLESSINGS** at all Masses for wedding anniversary couples on the 1st Sunday of the month and for expectant parents on the 2nd Sunday of each month. Please be seated close to the sanctuary.

**MASS OFFERING:** To offer Mass for any intention, please fill in the special Mass offering envelope, enclosed the stipend and drop it in the steel box in the lobby.



## From Our Priest

*It is with great excitement that we have this honour of introducing the first issue of the Divine Mercy @ Hai Sing "church" bulletin. This would indeed be a year of many "firsts" for us. The Lord has blessed us with the wonderful, dedicated people to enable us to commence our first DM mass at Hai Sing Secondary School. We welcome you to our "parish" and we look forward to building a Christ-centered community with all of you. We are a new team and there could be some teething issues along the way, but, we feel that these experiences will help us forge a stronger and more faithful community. We welcome you to join in our parish's activities and ministries.*

*This issue was put together by the 'Parish Communication' ministry. We welcome your views and suggestions (see "Staying Connected"). We look forward to seeing you at Hai Sing! God bless and may the light of the Divine Mercy shine upon you.*

Fr Johnson Fernandez  
On behalf of the priests of Holy Trinity

## DAILY READINGS

**Mon, 20 Apr: 2nd week of Easter**  
Ac 4:23-31 Ps 2 Jn 3:1-8

**Tue, 21 Apr: Easter [2]; St Anselm**  
Ac 4:32-37 Ps 92 Jn 3:7b-15

**Wed, 22 Apr: Easter [2];**  
Ac 5:17-26 Ps 33 Jn 3:16-21

**Thu, 23 Apr: Easter [2]; St George; St Adalbert**  
Ac 5:27-33 Ps 33 Jn 3:31-36

**Fri, 24 Apr: Easter [2]; St Fidelis of Sigmaringen**  
Ac 5:34-42 Ps 26 Jn 6:1-15

**Sat, 25 Apr: ST MARK, Evangelist, feast**  
1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 88 Mk 16:15-20

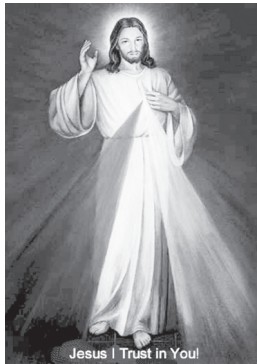
## PRIESTS

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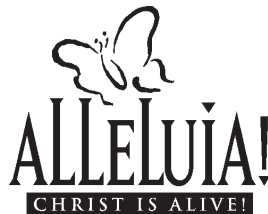
## Do you know Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday after Easter?

“On that day, the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day, all the divine floodgates through which grace are flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the second Sunday after Easter”

(Diary of Saint Faustina, 699)



“From the Heart, Sr. Faustina Kowlska, the blessed whom from now we will call a saint, will see two rays shining from that Heart and illuminating the world. The two rays, Jesus Himself explain to her one day, “represents blood and water” (Diary, 299)



## OUR FIRST LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

“...whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things, God may be glorified...” ~ 1 Peter 4:11

It is with God's grace that He has prompted our community to step forward to serve, many who are 1st timers. We will be introducing the ministries in the coming weeks\*. If you feel the urging, even if you do not know how you can serve, please do not shy away from contacting us.

- **Lectors** – Vincent Yong
- **Eucharistic Ministers** – George Podisingho
- **Choir** – Lorna Chng
- **Wardens** – Aloysius Chui
- **Altar Boys, Sacristan** – George Melson
- **Logistics** – Jack Tan
- **Audio Visual** – David Wong
- **Pasir Ris Catholic Neighbourhood Group (CNG)** – Kenny Poon

### Choir Ministry

We urgently need singers for the Saturday, 5:30pm and Sunday, 10am choirs. Pianist / organist is urgently needed for the Sunday, 10am mass. For more enquiries, please contact:

**Lorna Chng:** Tel - 97487074  
e-mail: lornachng@yahoo.com.sg or

**Darius:** Tel - 90705253, e-mail: dariusmusic@gmail.com

### Ministry of Hospitality (Wardens)

Like welcoming people to church? Please contact Aloysius Chui

Tel: 81009863

E-mail: aloysius\_chui@hotmail.com

\* Due to space constraints, we are only able to show the heads of the liturgical ministries.

## KINDERGARTEN



**Holy Trinity Kindergarten**  
Registration for year 2010

**Phase 2** | 20 – 24 April 2009  
For parishioners of Divine Mercy (first-come-first-serve)

**Phase 3** | 27 – 30 April 2009  
For children not in phase 1 or 2 (first-come-first-serve)

9.00am-2:30pm (Mon to Fri) @ Office Room 18 (2nd Floor), Holy Trinity Church.  
Please call 67874651 for more enquiries.

## PARISH SUPPORT

**At your wits end?  
Feeling suffocated?**

**Free Counselling Services**  
Please contact Ms. Jackie (appointment co-ordinator).  
Tel: 97978319 (after office hours)

**Legal Aid**  
Monday, 27 April, 7:30pm to 9pm. Please register at the Holy Trinity Parish Office.

**Cancer Support Group**  
For cancer patients / caregivers. Please contact Patrick. (97287425) or Theresa (96819205)

## FAITH FINDER



**Do you want to know more about the faith?  
Do you know of anyone who is curious about our faith?**

**Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) – New session**

The new journey is starting on Tues, 5 May @ 1945 at Holy Trinity Church, and thereafter, every Tuesday. Invite your non-Catholic family members & friends to join us.

New sponsors are also needed. Registration forms are available at the Holy Trinity parish office and website: [www.holytrinity.org.sg](http://www.holytrinity.org.sg)

## FAITH BOOSTERS

**In need of faith rejuvenation?**

### A Quick Journey Through The Bible

An 8-part programme written by Jeff Cavins will start on 22 April, Wednesday 7.30 -9.30pm in the Parish Hall.  
Facilitator: Sister Christine Santhou

### Non-Violent Communication Workshop

5 weekly sessions conducted by Sr Rosalia Yeo will start on 24 April, Friday 8-10.00pm in the Parish Hall.

Registration can done through the Holy Trinity parish office (Attention: Ms. Eileen Seow, Faith Formation), e-mail: [trinity\\_ffc@yahoo.com](mailto:trinity_ffc@yahoo.com) or online at <http://holytri.tripod.com/faithformation/>

## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Activities happening at Archdiocese level or other parishes can be found at the following:

- **The Catholic News** “What’s On” Section or [www.catholic.org.sg/CN](http://www.catholic.org.sg/CN)
- **Archdiocese of Singapore** <http://www.veritas.org.sg/> “Calendar of Events”
- **Caritas Singapore** <http://www.caritas-singapore.org/> “Events”