

# ST. ANTHONY'S VOICE



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6th Ordinary Sunday

(Year C)

14th February 2010

## READINGS OF THE WEEK

Sunday : Jer 17:5-8, 1Cor 15:12-20, Lk 6:17, 20-26  
Monday : Jm 1:1-11, Mk 8:11-13  
Tuesday : Jm 1:12-18, Mk 8:14-21  
Wednesday : Joel 2:12-18, 2Cor 5:20-6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
Thursday : Deut 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25  
Friday : Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15  
Saturday : Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32

## Thought of the Week

**LIKE CLOUDS  
AND WIND  
WITHOUT RAIN  
IS A MAN THAT  
BOAST OF GIFTS  
HE DOES NOT  
GIVE.**

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## HIGHLIGHTS

**1. SCHEDULE OF  
EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATION  
DURING CHINESE NEW YEAR  
AND ASH WEDNESDAY**

**2. FAT TUESDAY**

**3. STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

**4. FATHER AND SON CAMP**

# Parish Announcements

## *Mass Schedule : 15-16/2/2010*

Please take note of the following:

**Monday, 15th Feb 2010**

8.00am and 6.30pm

**Tuesday, 16th Feb 2010**

8.00am and devotion to St Anthony at 6.10pm followed by Mass.

## *Fat Tuesday*

We will be celebrating Fat Tuesday on 16th Feb 2010 at 7.30pm. You are all invited to bring some food for the celebration. You are also invited to bring your old palms for the celebration.

## *Ash Wednesday Mass*

Wednesday, 17th Feb 2010:

6.30am and 8.00pm

Please take note that it is a day of **abstinence** and **fasting**.

## *Personal Lenten Journey*

Those who wish to make a personal journey during this season of Lent are invited to attend the session on 17th February 2010 at 7.30pm at the basement. We will begin the session by breaking fast together.

## *Stations Of The Cross*

Please take note that the Stations will on Fridays starting on 26th Feb 2010 at 7.30pm followed by the Eucharist.

## *Eucharist For The Sick*

On 28th Feb 2010 at 4.00pm, we will have Eucharistic celebration with the Anointing of the Sick. For those who are physically handicapped or unable to make your way to Church due to health reason, please register with the parish office by 21st Feb 2010, so that we can make arrangements to ferry you.

## *Catechism Matters*

### **Change in Catechism Class Timing**

The timing of Catechism class for Primary Levels on Sun 21 February 2010 is brought forward to 11.00 am - 12.15 pm. This is to accommodate the Rite of Election that will be held in Our Parish.

## *Planning Of Eucharist By Youth*

There will be a meeting for all youths who have submitted their names for the Youth Eucharist Ministry on 20th Feb, immediately after 6pm Eucharist. Meeting will be held at Saint Teresa (Basement). Take note that the meeting will end by 10pm. Please bring along your bible and notebook.

## *Father And Son Camp*

Foster the bond with your son through fun-filled activities!

Date: 13th to 14th March 2009 Venue: East Coast Park Cost: \$55 per pair (incl. meals and transport)

Limited to 10 pairs. Hurry, register now! Registration opens now at Parish Office

## *Family Camp 2010*

It's back!

Mark this date on your calendar.

Date: 17th June to 20th June 2010

Look out for more registration details in the coming months. Organised by the Family Life Team.

### Fr Cyril's 70th Birthday Celebration

We will be celebrating the 70th birthday of Fr Cyril John Lee on 28th March 2010, Sunday

To avoid disappointments, do obtain your tickets, priced at \$45 each, from the foyer counter after the 9.15am and 11am Eucharistic Celebrations **or** contact Peta @ 98177161.

Dinner will commence after the 6.00pm Eucharistic Celebration.

### Divine Mercy Novena In India

There will be a 9-day Divine Mercy Novena in Logos Retreat Centre in Bangalore, India conducted by the Vincentian Fathers. The trip is from the 1st to 13th of April 10.' Those who are interested and for more details please call Joe at 98531597. Dateline for registration is by

### Certificate Of Marriage

There have been a number of people asking for letters to enable them to marry in their own country, henceforth your name must be in the Parish Register before any letter can be issued.

### Emmanuel P & W Group

It is said in Psalm 150:6: *"Let everything that has breath praise the Lord"*.

We would like to invite ALL OF YOU to come, join us, as we celebrate and sing praises to God our Father every Wednesday, at 8.00pm in St Thomas Aquinas Room. There will be a series of talks as follows:-

<u>Date</u>	<u>Topic</u>
24 Feb 2010	Jesus is The Way, The Truth and The Life

All are welcome. See posters for more details.

### Lent For Kids (4-7yrs old)

Day / Date: Every Sunday **starting 21 Feb 2010**

Time: 10am to 1040am(except session on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2pm as there'll be Meet-the-Parents)

Venue: St Thomas Room, Basement

No registration required. For programme information, please visit

[www.joyfulark.blogspot.com](http://www.joyfulark.blogspot.com) **Important**

**Note:** Parents, please be punctual as programme will start on time. All parents and children are strongly advised to attend the 11am Eucharistic Celebration. For enquiries, you may email:

### Mass & Healing Service

**"Let the little children come to me."**

Luke 18:16

There will be a Mass preached by Fr. Augustine Joseph and healing service on Saturday, 20th of Feb 2010 at St. Anthony's auditorium at 7.15pm and fellowship after the service. It is potluck so please bring a dish to share.

All are welcome.

### Palm Cutting

In preparation for Palm Sunday, we are embarking on a palm cutting trip to a JB nursery on **25th March 2010 (Thursday)**. We welcome our parishioners to join us in the journey, and experience the preparation process. From previous years, as we envisage a size-able turnout, there may be a need to cap the number of participants (est 36~40pax max) at the nursery. As such we seek your understanding & participation by registering your intention early with Francis (frlee@singnet.com.sg) or Richard (ralau@singnet.com.sg).

### **Our Priests**

Rev Fr Terence Pereira (ext 14)  
Rev Fr Bruno Saint Girons (ext 13)  
Rev Fr Cyril John Lee (ext 15)

### **Parish Office**

#### **Pastoral Coordinator**

Kenny Chen (ext 12)

#### **Administrator**

Anthony Tan (ext 11)

### **St. Anthony's Child Care Centre**

Mdm Lim Guat Eng, Manager  
Tel: 6368 5058, Fax: 6368 4307

### **St Anthony's Medical Clinic**

Mon (7pm - 9pm)

(Closed on Public Holidays)

Tel: 6365 6683, Fax: 6365 8339

### **Mass Times**

#### **Weekdays**

6.30am (Mondays to Saturdays)

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\*except Tuesdays & 1st Friday - Mass is after the devotions.

#### **Saturday Sunset Mass**

6.00pm

#### **Sunday Masses**

7.30am (*Mandarin*).

9.15am, 11.00am & 6.00pm.

***Tamil Mass*** @ 7.30pm on 2nd Sat of the Month.

***Tagalog Mass*** @ 7.30pm on 4th Sat of the Month.

### **Devotions**

- Devotion to St Anthony on Tuesdays at 8pm with Mass. Recitation of Rosary at 7.30pm)
- Devotion to Sacred Heart on 1st Fri at 8pm with Mass.
- Devotion to Divine Mercy on Fridays except 1st Fri from 8.00pm to 9.30pm in St Thomas Aquinas Room.

### **The Library**

Visit our Library located at the Basement which is open from 8.30am to 12.30pm every Sunday.

### **Mass Offerings:**

The office of Fr Cyril handles **Mass Offerings**. Intentions of Masses to be offered will be printed weekly on Saturday and left on the altar for the Celebrant(s) and on the notice board for all to view. Offerings made after Friday night will not be published. They will, however, be recorded in a book kept in Fr Cyril's office. Masses will also be offered on the day and time stipulated. Please do not drop your Mass Offering envelopes into the collection bags. A collection box for your Mass Offering is provided at the back of the Church.

### **Infant Baptism :**

The schedule for Baptism Preparation is as follows:

Parents are required to attend 3 Sessions commencing from the 2nd Sun of each month.

Upon completion all 3 sessions, couples can then register with the Presenters their preferred Baptism date. Godparents are to attend the last session to prepare themselves.

The Baptism ceremony will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sun of each Month at 12.30pm. All the Sessions will be held in St John Vianney's Room. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Marriage :** The Sacrament of Matrimony celebrates the union of two people within the church community. We request those planning a marriage to contact the priests of the church 6 months prior to the anticipated date, so that proper preparations can be made. For those who want Fr Terence, you are to inform him 1 year in advance.

### **Funerals :**

Please inform any of the Priests or the Parish Office immediately.

### **Reconciliation :**

The Sacrament of Reconciliation celebrates the healing and forgiving love that God has for each of us. There are opportunities for confession 15 minutes before the Sunset Mass on Sat and before all the Sun Masses. Priests are available for confession at other times upon request.

### **Parish Community Census Registration :**

We invite you to be a part of our community of faith and to participate in all areas of our parish life. You are welcome to register as members of our Parish. The forms are available in the church and can be given to any of the Priests or the Secretariat when completed.

### **Intercessory Prayers**

We have an Intercessory Prayer group who will meet regularly to pray for all your prayer intentions. You are welcome to place your prayer intentions in the drop box located at the right hand staircase of the Church hall entrance.

Don't Call Me Old. I'm Just Awakening!

By Marsha Sinetar

Paulist Press, New York; 2002. 192 pages.

Sinetar presents a refreshing approach in the writing of this book. In several exchanges of letters, two radically different friends, Bo and El, talk over their stuff of life. They freely discuss their struggles, career ups and downs, family matters – illness, healing, the birth of grandchildren – and their respective growth as individuals, especially along spiritual lines, and aging.

The core of the book, however, is on aging, and the friends deal with issues such as the feeling of being old and useless, the material approach versus the spiritual approach to aging, and living well, living long, and dying with dignity. They bring up concepts such as “successful aging”, “positive rebellion”, “the power of thought”, “self-fulfilling prophecy”, “law of attraction”, “law of assumption”, “spiritual awakening” and “spiritual hardiness”.

Sinetar admonishes those of us who swallow hook, line and sinker whatever sad fictions about old age we've been taught, e.g, that later life is necessarily a sickly, lonely, alienated time; that as we age, we aren't able to learn new skills or make new friends or have new adventures or contribute to others or live independently – because research suggests otherwise.

Sinetar slips gems of advice into the correspondence between Bo and El, eg. to keep our courage up, we must correct our patterns of thought; to change a mood, take an action in the opposite direction; be engaged or absorbed with something, anything, that truly delights; to the extent we keep on learning, growing, and stay connected, old age isn't what it used to be; and if we believe life is worth living, our belief creates the fact.

Whenever we are fearful about aging, Sinetar asserts that we've neglected life's spiritual dimension, because we feel young as we awaken spiritually. However, spiritual awakening and growth takes time; it meanders. Yet life gives us repeated chances, years and years of chances, to do this. Sinetar clearly highlights how aging can become a vibrant, fulfilling stage of our life span, even with our hesitations, confusion, and sometimes unwise choices.

This book is essential reading for those of us who are seniors or soon-to-be-seniors; it could also be gainfully read by care-givers of the elderly and everyone else who realizes that aging is inevitable. Read it once; perhaps twice. I read it twice, and enjoyed it even more the second time round.

Reviewed by: James HL Wong

Book review: No. 4

Shelf no.: OMISC0025



## பொதுக்காலம் - 6ஆம் தராயிர - 14/2/10

### திரு தீற்றுப் புதன் - திருப்பலி நேரங்கள்

17/2/10 - காலை மணி 8-30 / இரவு மணி 8. இத்தாளில் விரதமிருப்பதும், ஒருத்தலும் அவசியம்.

18/2/10 அன்று இரவு மணி 7.30க்கு, தவக்காலத்திற்கு துபராகும் பொருட்டு, இரவு உணவோடு, "Fat tuesday" அனுசரிக்கப்படும். வருபவர்கள், தங்களால் முடிந்த உணவுப் பொருட்களை கொண்டு வரலாம்.

இத்தவக்காலத்தின் போது, தங்களை ஒரு நிலைப் படுத்தி, தத்தம் உள்ளங்களை தூயதாக்க விழுவோர், 17/2/10 அன்று தமது தேவாலய அரங்கத்தில், இரவு மணி 7.30க்கு கூடலாம். வீரத்ததை முடித்த கையோடு, இச் சத்திப்பு ஆரம்பமாகும். உங்களுடைய பழைய பனை ஓலைகளையும் அன்று எடுத்து வரலாம்.

### திருப்பலி நேரங்கள்

15/2/10 - திங்கள் - காலை மணி 8 / மாலை மணி 8-30

16/2/10 - செவ்வாய் - காலை மணி 8 / மாலை மணி 6-10க்கு அந்தோனியார் பிரார்த்தனைபைத் தொடர்ந்து, திருப்பலி

21/2/10 அன்று, தொடக்க நிலை 1ள் மறைக்கல் வி வகுப்புகள் , குறித்த நேரத்திற்கு முன்பாக, காலை மணி 11 முதல் 12.00 வரை தடைபெறும் என்பதை தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கிறோம்.

### திருத்தத்தை சீரின் 70ஆம் ஆண்டு பிறந்த தாள்

தமது திருத்தத்தையின் 70ஆம் ஆண்டு பிறந்த தாள் விராவை, 28/3/10 அன்று சிறப்பாக கொண்டாட தாம் ஏற்பாடு செய்து கொண்டிருக்கிறோம். இரவு உணவுக் கட்டணம், ஒரு தபங்கு \$45. சீட்டுகளை தேவாலய முன்வாயிலில், வர இறுதி தாள் திருப்பலிகளுக்குப் பின் பெற்றுக் கொள்ளலாம். மேல் விவரங்களுக்கு - Peta / 98177161

### உடல் தலம் குன்றியோர்க்கு பிரார்த்தனை

28/2/10 அன்று, மாலை மணி 4க்கு, உடல் ஊனமுற்றோர்/ உடல் தலம் குன்றியோர், இவர்களுக்காக மன்றாட்டுக்கு ஏற்பாடு செய்யப் பட்டுள்ளது. உடற்குறையினால் தேவாலயத்திற்கு வர இயலாதோர், தமது அலுவலகத்தில் பதித்து கொண்டால், இவர்களை அத்தாளில் அழைத்து வர ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்படும். பதிய இறுதி தாள் - 21/2/09.

**உங்கள் பிரச்சனைகளை மட்டுமல்ல, உங்களையே முழுமையாக கிறிஸ்துவிடம் கொண்டு வருங்கள்!!**

# 常年期第六主日

14/2/2010

## 圣安 多尼 之声

本堂神父

Fr. Torrance

助理神父

Fr. Bruno

李善鸿 神父

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平日弥撒

上午 6 点半

傍晚 6 点半

星期二晚上 8 点

星期六黄昏弥撒

傍晚 6 点

主日弥撒

(华语)

上午 7 点半

(英语)

上午 9 点 15 分

11 点, 傍晚 6 点

儿童洗礼

第一主日上午 12 点

点

通知

请给予六个月通

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葬礼

请立刻联络神父

### 农历新年弥撒时间

2月15日(星期一) 弥撒时间是 8.00am 和 6.30pm

2月16日(星期二) 弥撒时间是 8.00am 和 6.10pm 圣安多尼敬礼接着是弥撒

### 忏悔星期二

2月16日(星期二) 7.30pm 本堂举办忏悔星期二庆祝活动。欢迎教友携带食物以及旧棕榈枝来参加庆祝活动。

### 圣灰礼仪弥撒时间

圣灰礼仪日期, 2月17日(星期三) 时间, 6.30am 和 8.00pm

注意, 当天应守大小斋(凡满14岁者应守小斋, 凡成年人而未到60岁者应守大小斋。)

### 个人四旬期活动(英语)

2月17日(星期三) 7.30pm 在圣堂地下层礼堂将举行个人四旬期活动。活动会以开斋仪式开始。

### 要理班上课时间更改

在2月21日(星期日)上课的小学要理班学生请注意, 因甄选礼(英语)当天下午在我们圣堂举行, 当天的上课时间将提前, 从11am至12.15pm, 。

### 为病人的弥撒(英语)

2月28日(星期日) 4.00pm 将为病人举行弥撒。残障人士或因健康原因不能参加弥撒的人请在2月21日(星期日)之前向办公室报名, 将会安排接送。

### 四旬期苦路敬礼

华语苦路敬礼将从25/02/2010日开始, 每逢星期四晚上八点, 欢迎教友们踊跃参加。

### 李善鸿神父七十大寿庆祝晚宴

我们将为李神父的七十大寿举办庆祝晚宴, 日期定于2010年3月28日(星期日), 晚宴在6.00pm的弥撒后开始。

票价每人\$45.00。弥撒后将在教堂前面售票。

联络人: Peta @ 98177161.

**Scripture:** *Luke 6:17,20-26*

17 And he came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; 20 And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 21 "Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. "Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh. 22 "Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! 23 Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets. 24 "But woe to you that are rich, for you have received your consolation. 25 "Woe to you that are full now, for you shall hunger. "Woe to you that laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep. 26 "Woe to you, when all men speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

**Meditation:** Can a happy, joy-filled life really be attainable here and now? Jesus addressed this issue with a vast crowd of people, both Jews who came down from Jerusalem and non-Jewish God-fearers who traveled as far away as Tyre and Sidon (some fifty miles on foot) to hear him preach at the Sea of Galilee. Jesus showed his listeners how sorrow could be turned to happiness for those who truly wanted to live as free citizens of God's kingdom. Jesus' "beatitudes" both amazed and challenged his listeners to discover the true source of happiness and joy. The word beatitude literally means *happiness* or *blessedness*. Jesus' way of happiness, however, demands a transformation from within -- a conversion of heart and mind which can only come about through the gift of the Holy Spirit.

How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? If we want to be filled with the joy and happiness of heaven, then we must empty ourselves of all that would shut God out of our hearts. What does Poverty of spirit mean? It is my awareness that I cannot save myself, that I am basically defenseless, that neither money nor power will spare me from suffering and death, and that no matter what I achieve and acquire in this life, it will be far less than I wanted. Poverty of Spirit is my awareness that I need God's help and mercy more than I need anything else. Hunger of the spirit seeks nourishment and strength in God's word and Spirit. Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, people who want what is right as urgently as a person in the desert wants a glass of water or a child in a refugee camp cries desperately for a crust of bread. Sorrow and mourning over wasted life and sin leads to joyful freedom from the burden of guilt and oppression. God reveals to the humble of heart the true source of abundant life and happiness. Jesus promises his disciples that the joys of heaven will more than compensate for the troubles and hardships they can expect in this world. Thomas Aquinas said: *No person can live without joy. That is why someone deprived of spiritual joy goes after carnal pleasures.*

Do you know the joy and happiness of hungering and thirsting for God alone and his kingdom of peace and righteousness?

Do you Trust our Lord enough to leave everything to Him ?

When you've felt poor, hunger and thirst how did you discover that Jesus truly cares about you? Did you experience His blessings that Jesus is on your side?

Happiness is not trusting in human beings, even in ourselves, but trusting in the Lord (Jer 17:5, 7). Trusting in the Lord is not just a state of mind but is expressed in very practical decisions. We are commanded in God's word: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, on your own intelligence rely not; in all your ways be mindful of Him" (Prv 3:5-6). Trusting in the Lord means trusting in the Lord alone and trusting in Him at all times (Ps 62:6-9). If we don't trust Him always, we don't trust Him as He wants to be trusted.

**Prayer**

"Lord Jesus, increase my hunger for you and show me the way that leads to everlasting happiness and peace. May I desire you above all else and find perfect joy in doing your will."

PS 37:16 Blessed is the little that the righteous person has than the abundance of many wicked.

PS 119:160 The sum of your word is truth; and every one of your righteous ordinances endures forever.

PRV8:8 All the words of my mouth are righteous; there is nothing twisted or crooked in them.

PRV 11:28 Those who trust in their riches will wither, but the righteous will flourish like green leaves.