

SAINT PIUS X PRIORY  
SINGAPORE

WEEKLY BULLETIN  
& MASS SCHEDULE

26 FEBRUARY 2017  
QUINQUAGESIMA  
SUNDAY

SUN 26 Feb	Quinquagesima Sunday <i>2nd Class, violet</i>	7.30 – Rosary 8.00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – Sung Mass
MON 27 Feb	Saint Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows <i>Confessor 3rd Class, white</i>	18.30 - Rosary 19:00 – Low Mass
TUE 28 Feb	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i>	7.15 – Low Mass 17.45 – Low Mass 18.30 - “Tuesday with Mary” Devotions
WED 1 March	ASH WEDNESDAY Day of Fast and Abstinence	7.15 – Blessing of Ashes & Low Mass 18.30 – Rosary 19.00 – Low Mass & Imposition of Ashes
THU 2 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i>	18.20 – Rosary & Benediction 19.00 – Low Mass
 FRI 3 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i> Day of Fast and Abstinence for SSPX Members <u>First Friday</u>	18.20 – Stations of the Cross 19:00 – Low Mass & first Rosary & Benediction & All night Adoration 22.00 – Second Rosary 23.00 – Third Rosary
SAT 4 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i> St. Casimir, Confessor St. Lucius I, Pope & Martyr (comm.) <u>First Saturday</u>	6.30 – Meditated Rosary and Benediction 7.15 – Low Mass
SUN 5 March	First Sunday of Lent <i>1st Class, violet</i>	7.30 – Rosary 8.00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – Sung Mass

**All night adoration**

The faithful staying during the night could pray the rosary together, like one every hour, without adding any other devotion in order to keep some time for silent prayer too. Here are some intentions that could be added to their own:

**12am for Rome & Pope; 1am for vocations (priestly & religious); 2am for persecuted Christians; 3am for Catholic families & Catholic schools; 4am for conversion of sinners; 5am in reparation for crime of abortion.**

Confessions: 30 min before Sunday Masses; on demand every day.

**Children’s Catechism on Saturday:**

Older Group (13-18 years)  
14:45-15:30

First Communion 14:45-15:30

Post First Communion 15:30-16:15

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**Sunday 19 March.** Food fair after the 10am Mass organised by Mrs. Sumantri is **being postponed**. Proceeds go to MI.

**Tuesday with Mary.** No potluck during Lent.

**Sunday 5 March.** Imposition of Ashes after both Masses.

**Sunday 5 March.** Second collection for SSPX schools.

*March, Month of Saint Joseph: litany of Saint Joseph added to the rosary every day.*

**Rosary Crusade: don’t forget to place your tokens in the box.**

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Donations to SSPX by cheque: make it payable to “Friends of the International Priestly Society of St. Pius X”



# IN LENT, PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

The Society of Saint Pius X has been present in some countries for 25 to 30 years with Masses being said there on a regular basis (even daily), and during this significant number of years, no young man made it to the priesthood. How can we explain it?

It is always difficult to find an answer to such a question as a vocation is a mystery of grace, and God calls whom He wills; but, if a calling to the priesthood is an exclusive privilege of God, the ground work must be prepared by men for a vocation to spring up.

A young man who becomes a priest does not come out of nowhere; he comes from a particular family and a particular community. A young man's background is very important to make it possible for grace to operate. Grace builds on nature. For a perfect cake one needs an experienced baker and a good oven, but if the right ingredients aren't in the paste, there won't be the expected result.

Like a right paste, a young man must have the right ingredients (the right dispositions) in order to become a priest.

Two sorts of people have a very special responsibility in preparing a soul to accept God's invitation. The first one is the priest. A vocation is first and foremost the fruit of the priest's apostolate. The life of a fervent priest is what kindles in the heart of a young man the desire to imitate him. If a priest has a deep love for Christ and a genuine concern for his flock, his example will generate vocations. On the contrary, a negligent and lukewarm priest will hardly bear any fruits.

Second come the parents who, of course, have an irreplaceable role to play in the upbringing of their boy. An education where Christian virtues are fostered and vices fought is a necessary prerequisite for grace to blossom in a soul.

In the chapter of his book on the vocation of Archbishop Lefebvre (*Marcel Lefebvre*, Angelus Press, 2004), Bp. Tissier de Mallerais describes what triggered in young Marcel Lefebvre the desire to become a priest.

## Spirit of Sacrifice

World War I made a big impression on young Marcel Lefebvre. He was nine years old when the war started. The wounded soldiers coming back from the front line and the horrors he witnessed caused him to say later in life about the war: **"It changed us. Even if you're only nine, ten, or eleven years old, you can't help it... War is really a terrible thing... Obviously it affected us, the older children. We five, we were scarred by those events, and I think that in part at least we owe our vocation to them. We saw that human life was**

**insignificant and that one has to know how to suffer."** Consequently, all the first five Lefebvre children became religious: two priests and three nuns.

Not all priests and religious go through such dramatic events, but all need a spirit of compassion and sacrifice. These are nurtured through the education parents give their children; yielding to all their children's whims is counterproductive.

## Thirst for Justice

In the same book, Archbishop Lefebvre's sister Christiane unveils a trait of the prelate's character he displayed from childhood: **"Unfairness whether in games or the way things were run really made him hopping mad."**

A future priest must have the great desire to change the world, to make it a better place. He must want to fight evil and promote the cause of God in this world. Here too, his parents' mentality is important. They have to work on eradicating the natural tendencies to selfishness they detect in their child from an early age, if they want him to be a generous soul.

## Love for God

Young Marcel Lefebvre was going to communion every day during his school years, often serving Mass. The love of God was deeply rooted in his heart as his parents were outstanding Catholics for whom Christ was everything.

Along with priests and parents, there is a third category of people who have an active part to play in the awakening of vocations: the Catholic community.

The faithful who seek holiness and pray for vocations are likely to see young men step forward and show the determination to follow Our Lord's calling. Hence the necessity for you to pray for vocations during Lent, remembering that we always receive from God what we deserve.

*Father Fabrice Loschi*

## TUESDAYS WITH MARY

**18.30: Meditated Rosary**

**19.00: Conference**

**7 March: *On the Necessity of the Blessed Virgin and true devotion to Mary* by Fr. Loschi**

**14 March: *On the Annunciation: total dependence on Mary* by Fr. Loschi**

**21 March: *The virtues of Mary* by Fr. Wailliez**

**28 March: *False devotions to Our Lady* by Fr. Wailliez**