

SAINT PIUS X PRIORY
SINGAPORE

WEEKLY BULLETIN
& MASS SCHEDULE

13 OCTOBER 2019

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST

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| SUN 13 October | 18 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>2nd Class, green</i> | 8:00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – Sung Mass |
| MON 14 October | Saint Callistus I <i>Pope & Martyr</i> <i>3rd Class, red</i> | No Mass |
| TUE 15 October | St. Teresa of Avila <i>Virgin, 3rd Class, white</i> | 7.15 – Low Mass 11.30 – Low Mass |
| WED 16 October | Saint Hedwig <i>Widow, 3rd Class, white</i> | 7.15 – Low Mass 11.30 – Low Mass |
| THU 17 October | St. Margaret Mary Alacoque <i>Virgin, 3rd Class, white</i> | 7.15 – Low Mass 18.20 – Benediction 19.00 – Low Mass |
| FRI 18 October |  St. Luke <i>Evangelist, 2nd Class, red</i> | 18.20 – Stations of the Cross 19.00 – Low Mass |
| SAT 19 October | Saint Peter of Alcantara <i>Confessor</i> <i>3rd Class, white</i> | 11.30 – Low Mass |
| SUN 20 October | 19 th Sunday after Pentecost <i>2nd Class, green</i> | 8:00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – Sung Mass |

Confessions: 30 minutes before Sunday Masses;
Thursdays and Fridays: 17:45;
Saturdays: 11:00.

2nd Collections:

1st Sunday of the month *for the chapel loan reimbursement.*
3rd Sunday of the month *for the chapel/priory maintenance.*

Children's Catechism on Saturdays:

14:00-14:45
Post 1st Communion I (Eiko)
Pre Confirmation (Catherine)
Post Confirmation (Father)

14:45-15:30
Post 1st Communion II (Catherine)
Older Group (Father)

Mass Stipends:

One Mass: \$25
Novena: \$250
Gregorian Masses: \$1,000

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's All Saints Day Party. On 26 October, Sat from 2:00pm to 4:30pm. This year's theme is "Young Saints". All the children are welcome (not necessarily attending Catechism class).

Faithful Departed. You may submit the names of the faithful departed to be included in the Mass intentions and to be placed on the altar during the Month of November. Sheets in the vestibule.

Ignatian Retreat. A retreat will be preached by Fr. Etienne Demornex in Kuching on 25-30 November. Register online: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfmdqGB6dJyEPeDrWWITN00k--TGL2GAzgyFTgNaW4hx1iCow/viewform?vc=0&c=0&w=1>

If you need help or clarification, kindly contact Fr. Demornex.

2020 Pilgrimage to Lourdes. In order to worthily celebrate the golden jubilee of the SSPX, there will be a 3-day international pilgrimage to Lourdes on 24-26 October 2020. The Asian District is organising a pilgrimage tour which will last about a week (19-28 October), starting with renown religious and cultural sites of France, and closing with the official Lourdes pilgrimage. Details will follow.

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THE FAMILY ROSARY

In Austria, after World War II, there was a complete collapse of vocations. One year, apparently, no one at all entered the seminaries. So, the bishops held a synod, to find out how it could be that this had happened. The conclusion they reached was that the war had so disrupted family life that the centuries-old practice of the rosary in the home had stopped and had just not started up again. This is my experience, too; when the rosary goes, the faith soon collapses.

I remember someone telling me of a friend of his, a great Catholic, the pillar of the parish, whose children had all lapsed, one after the other. They had all fallen away from the sacraments and from attending Mass. So, I said to him, "I wouldn't mind betting that your friend had been brought up to recite the family rosary when he was a boy, and that his children haven't." The next time I saw him, he said that this was indeed true. His friend had recited the family rosary at home when he was a boy, and when he had got married and started his own family they all said the rosary. But then, one evening when they were about to start the rosary, one of the children switched on the television, and that was that. The custom of the family rosary was dropped, and in due course, they gave up the practice of the faith.



After this life, that one unrebuked action will be seen to have affected the eternity of many people. God sent His Mother to Fatima to tell us that we had to say the rosary every day. There were no other prayers She asked us to say. Accordingly, we should do what She asked. In that most holy home at Nazareth, do you think that Our Lady had to ask for anything twice? If we want in any way to be like Jesus, we must do what His Mother asks. If we do not, can we expect things to go right? We cannot with impunity disobey the Mother of God. She knows better than we the dangers of this spiritual warfare. She sees more clearly than we do the dangers that beset us. She warns us: You must say your rosary every day.

If the garage mechanic warns you that your car needs repairing or else it will break down, surely you would heed that warning. If the gas gauge warns you that you need more gas, do you do nothing about it? And if Our Lady comes to Fatima and tells us, not just once but six times, that we must say the rosary every day, do we disregard that warning? If we do, we have only

ourselves to blame when we find that our children have lapsed from the faith.

In my work of going round visiting homes, I have seen this conclusion borne out time and again. Homes can be transformed by starting the recitation of the daily rosary. I remember a woman telling me that she could not thank me enough for having nagged her into starting it; it had united her family as never before. And I remember another home where I called. There was a strange tension there: the children were silent and the wife seemed withdrawn, but the husband was willing to start the family rosary.

When I called back again a couple of months later, the atmosphere was quite different. The children were chatty and the wife was friendly, and the husband walked down the road with me afterwards and said how amazing it was that the home was so much happier.

One reason, I think, why the daily rosary makes for a happy home, is this. From what some possessed people have said, and from what some of the saints have said, it seems certain that demons fear the rosary. It makes their hair stand on end, so to speak. Holy water certainly drives them out, but they come back again. The daily rosary drives them out and keeps them out.

It is rather like living in an old house where there are mice everywhere. The only way to get rid of them is to bring cats. If you get a couple of cats, after a week or two there simply will not be any more mice. Mice fear the very smell of cats. And in a home where the rosary is said every day, after a time the demons realize they are impotent in front of Our Lady, and go elsewhere. This must be one reason why, as they say, "the family that prays together stays together." In that home, utterly free of evil spirits, there is an atmosphere one does not find outside.

So, as I see it, in this effort we are making to keep the faith and pass it on, the practice of the rosary is absolutely indispensable. Whatever else a person may do, even though they go to Mass every day, they still need to say the rosary in their home. It is the medicine our Mother has told us to take, to keep our faith strong and healthy.

This article is taken from the booklet "Our Glorious Faith and How To Lose It" written by Fr. Hugh Thwaites, S.J.