

Upcoming Events

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| 4/5 Fri | 6:30pm | The Sacred Heart of Jesus Group will commemorate the suffering of the Sacred Heart of Jesus with a Mass. All are welcome. | Asiana Centre |
| 5/5 Sat | 10am to 5pm | THS will be holding a one-day retreat. The theme is 'I will give you a new heart and spirit' Ezekiel 36:26, where there will be talks about spiritual warfare and praise & worship. Take this opportunity to understand and experience the greatness of our God; we encourage you to fast with us so no lunch will be provided. All are welcome! For queries, please contact Stanley stanley.seah@thsonline.org . | Asiana Centre |
| Catechism Refresher gathering will meet this Sunday afternoon at 1:30pm and the venue is Meeting room #2 located at the first floor of St. Peter Julian's Church. We are currently studying the "Acts of the Apostles". All are welcome. | | | |
| New Cantonese Catechumen class has commenced and is still accepting enrolment. It meets every Sunday at 9:30am at St. Peter Julian's Church, Chinatown or at Asiana Centre, Ashfield. Please invite your non-believer friends and relatives to learn about God and our faith. Catholics are also encouraged to join in to renew their faith. Please contact Elsa Tang on 0415 648 923 for details. | | | |
| New Mandarin Catechumen class has commenced and is still accepting enrolment. It meets every Saturday at 5pm at Asiana Centre, Ashfield. Please invite your non-believer friends and relatives to learn about God and our faith. Please contact Elsa Tang on 0415 648 923 for details. | | | |
| The monthly gathering of Holy Family Sodality will be held on 26/5/2012 at 5pm in Asiana Centre. All members are welcome. | | | |

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天主教華人牧靈中心

CHINESE CATHOLIC PASTORAL CENTRE

復活期第四主日 2012年4月29日
 Fourth Sunday of Easter Season, 29th April 2012



團體活動

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| 4/5 星期五 | 晚上六時三十分 | 耶穌聖心會將舉行彌撒以賠補耶穌聖心所受的苦辱。歡迎各位參加。 | 亞洲中心 |
| 5/5 星期六 | 上午十時至下午五時 | 聖神宮殿祈禱會將舉行一天的退省活動，主題為「我要賜給你們一顆新心及新精神」則 36:26。屆時將會有關於屬靈上戰爭的講座及敬拜讚美，藉此機會去認識及感受全能的天主、歡迎各位參加！我們鼓勵大家一同在中午守齋，當日將不會有午餐供應。如有查詢，請聯絡 Stanley stanley.seah@thsonline.org 。 | 亞洲中心 |
| 再慕道聚會於本星期日下午一時半在聖伯多祿朱利安教堂二樓會議室聚會，研讀宗徒大事錄。歡迎各位參加。 | | | |
| 粵語成人慕道班已開辦新班。現招收新學員。慕道班每週日上午九時半在華埠聖伯多祿朱利安教堂或艾斯菲亞洲中心上課。請介紹未信主的親友參加。請向鄧女士查詢。電話: 0415648923。歡迎信友參加更新信仰。 | | | |
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| 五月份的聖家善會聚會將改在五月二十六日下午五時於亞洲中心舉行。歡迎各位會員參加。 | | | |

告解時間：

雪梨華埠聖伯多祿朱利安教堂

每月第一主日中文彌撒前二十分鐘

彌撒時間：

富來明頓車站旁聖道明教堂

亞洲中心聖若瑟小堂 (38 Chandos St., Ashfield)

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雪梨華埠聖伯多祿朱利安教堂 (641 George St., Haymarket)

主日上午十一時半 (國語)

星期六下午六時 (國語)

主日上午九時半 (英文)

主日上午十一時 (粵語)

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鳳凰與熱十字麵包

劉瑪定神父

今年五傷燭的設計是用一隻浴火鳳凰飛昇的圖案。雖然鳳凰作為耶穌復活的標記是比較少人認識，但尋根究底是曾經在一世紀時羅馬聖克勉的第一封致格林多人的書信上出現。

聖克勉在他的書信說，這一隻神話傳說中的鳳凰是生存在亞拉伯地方，有雄鷹的身形及美麗紅色的和金色的羽毛。任何時期內，只有一隻會生存。每五百年，鳳凰自感生命無多的時刻，便自搭一個鳥巢，以乳香木，殒藥和一些香木造。當時候到，雀巢火起，鳳凰便在火中焚燒成灰燼。三天之後，浴火中消失的鳳凰再次出現，回復以前的青春，再過另外五百年。聖克勉便將這個不死不滅的古代神話，作為耶穌復活的象徵。教會初期的藝術和文學作品，多數採用鳳凰的圖像作為基督復活，和死後的永生的標記。通常天主聖神是用一個美麗圖案以鳳凰和星光熠熠的星群做背景的，正好提醒我們，「生活在這片南方的廣大土地上，是屬於天主聖神的鑒臨的所在。」

鳳凰在中國文化上是屬於上天的徵兆，在中國神話傳統中僅佔次要地位。照中國習慣，鳳凰和皇后有關連。中國人認為鳳凰是一隻巨鳥，栖息於高天之上的不死靈禽，只有重大事故，方才下降開示人間，因此鳳凰是傳說中的吉祥象徵，與時運興衰有密切關係。鳳凰代表力量，有在浴火中重生的順應力。單憑鳳凰來說，是屬陽的象徵，以卦象來說屬風與火，但和龍同時出現，則屬陰。在以精神層面來說，鳳凰會引發人類五種浩然之氣，即德行、責任、承諾，同情和忠誠。

不論今年的五傷燭的設計傳遞什麼訊息，你們的五傷燭

應該是「與諸天的星辰，是光榮天主的火柱。」《復活頌》
(請歡欣踴躍，宣佈主的復活)

所有優秀的記號會表達深一層的意義，包括熱十字麵包在內。聖嘉辣亞西西的聖德廣傳意大利，也傳到教宗的耳邊。最後，教宗想親自來到亞西西修院見聖嘉辣。作為招待教宗，嘉辣院長安排將麵包準備好及放在桌上。她希望教宗會降福麵包。然後分給同院修女們，作為紀念教宗的來臨。但是教宗沒有依她的要求降福麵包，反而要忠信的嘉辣修女自己來降福桌上的麵包。嘉辣修猶疑片刻，認為自己不堪當主持降福食物。但教宗堅持，並命令修女在麵包上劃十字聖號來降福。嘉辣祈禱之後，便在麵包上劃了十字聖號。當嘉辣祈禱完畢後，麵包上顯現十字記號。傳說於是開始，而熱十字麵包於是問世。我們吃熱十字麵包時，會提醒我們，耶穌是在十字上受死的。願主在復活節中降福你們。

English RCIA program

Dear friends,

We are starting English RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) for 2012-13.

If you yourself would like to or you know friends who want to find out more about the Catholic faith in a systematic and detail way or you simply want to update the faith you have been brought up in or you have been with your church group for a while and you would like to become a Catholic and receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Communion (Eucharist) then this group is for you:)

On this RCIA journey, you not only get to ask all the questions you want, you meet top people and build lasting friendship. Ultimately faith is not just about reason, questions and answers: at the heart of it is relationship with God and the people around you and belonging to the faith community.

Start date: in July 2012

Venue: John Paul II Centre, Level 1, 245 Broadway (near Broadway Shopping Centre and Sydney Uni)

Time: 11am every Sunday morning or an agreed time

Contact: John Ting

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Hope to see you there, God bless!