



INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CHURCH

August 6-7, 2016 151 Hong Feng Road, Pudong, Shanghai 201206, China 浦东金桥红枫路 151 号靠近碧云路

RECEIVING COMMUNION: Only baptized Catholics who have received First Holy Communion may receive Holy Communion. Adults and children who have not received first communion cannot receive Holy Communion.

RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION for ADULT (RCIA): A process for those who are curious about the Catholic Faith and who wants to become Catholic. Appropriate for people ages 7+ who are not yet baptized, for those who have been baptized in another faith and would like to become Catholic, and for Catholic who have not completed all of sacraments of initiation. Contact I-Chien at icliou@yahoo.com for more details.

PARKING: For everyone's safety, please park your car for free at the Marriott Pudong East basement garage on Xin Jin Qiao Lu across from the Church for Mass attendees. Please refrain from parking in the Church courtyard, except for the elderly & handicapped.

ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH

185 Dongjiadu Road

English Masses:

Sat 5pm; Sun 11:00am

ST IGNATIUS CATHEDRAL

158 Puxi Road, Xujiahui

English Mass: Sun 12 noon

ST PETER'S CHURCH

270 S Chongqing Road, Puxi

English: Sat 5:00pm; Sun 11:00am

Korean: Sun 5:00pm

<http://SPICES.internationalparish.org>

DAILY READINGS

Sunday, August 7 2016

1st Read: Numbers 18:6-9

Psalm: Psalms 33:1-22

2nd Read: Hebrews 11:1-19

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Monday, August 8, 2016

1st Read: Ezekiel 1:2-28

Psalm: Psalms 148:1-14

Gospel: Matthew 17:22-27

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

1st Read: Ezekiel 2:8-3:4

Psalm: Psalms 119:14-131

Gospel: Matthew 18:1-14

Wednesday, August 10, 2016

1st Read: 2 Corinthians 9:6-10

Psalm: Psalms 112:1-9

Gospel: John 12:24-19:1

Thursday, August 11, 2016

1st Read: Ezekiel 12:1-12

Psalm: Psalms 146:1-2,3-4,5-6

Gospel: Matthew 13:47-53

Friday, August 12, 2016

1st Read: Ezekiel 16:1-63

Psalm: Psalms 12:2-6

Gospel: Matthew: 19:3-12

Saturday, August 13, 2016

1st Read: Ezekiel 18:1-32

Psalm: Psalms 51:12-19

Gospel: Matthew 19:13-15

Marriage Moment

Too many couples settle for mediocrity in their marriage, when they would never settle for second best in other areas of their lives, says marriage and family expert Jim Burns. A marriage that is a true union of souls – a connection of love, respect, romance, and spiritual oneness – sounds like a fairy tale. But it's possible to build such a relationship, Burns says. His book, *Creating an Intimate Marriage*, shows couples how to bring back the AWE – Affection, Warmth, and Encouragement. Showing affection, warmth, and encouragement to one's spouse may sound like a no-brainer. Showing affection, warmth, and encouragement to one's spouse may sound like a no-brainer. But with so many demands on their time and energy, husbands and wives often neglect their relationship, Burns says.

Here are ten strategies from Burn's book that can transform your marriage.

1. Adjust your attitude.
2. Show affection and warmth.
3. Offer encouragement.
4. Give intimacy the time and attention it deserves.
5. Make friends with your spouse.
6. Schedule more fun in your marriage.
7. Practice "thank therapy."
8. Accept that not all problems are resolvable.
9. Nurture spiritual growth.
10. Review and renew your marriage vows.

Source: CBN

CHURCH CLERGY

Rev. Joseph Zeng: Pastor of the Chinese Community

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Chinese: 7:00 am

English: 10:30

Saturday

Chinese: 7:00 am

English: 5:00 pm

Weekdays

Chinese: 7:00 am

For additional community resources, please visit our website:

www.sacredheartpudong.com.

CONFESSION

20 minutes before English Mass.

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP

Sundays after Mass & Mondays at 10:30am in Room 104 (except during public & school holidays).

Help Wanted!

The Children's Religious Ed program is still seeking one or more people to lead next year's First Communion program. Please consider volunteering your time for our parish's children. If you have interest or questions, please contact Josie Shen (josieshen@sbcglobal.net or mobile: 130-0315-2260)

Sunday's Readings**First Reading***Wisdom 18:6-9***Responsorial Psalm***Psalm 33:1+12, 18-19, 20-22***Second Reading***Colossians 2:12-14***Gospel Reading***Luke 12:32-48***Gospel Reflection**

Please visit www.sacredheartpudong.com for the gospel reflection.

Reflection of the Week

The readings this Sunday all have something to offer concerning the meaning of Faith. Hebrews offers one of the most profound and beautiful descriptions of Faith found anywhere in the Bible: "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and the evidence of things not seen (Heb 11: 1-2)."

Reality takes on a radically new appearance when seen through the eyes of Faith.

The parable Jesus tells offers an insight into what it means to have Faith during those times when God seems absent. The foolish servant in the parable represents the person without Faith; once the master leaves it is as if he was never there and is never coming back. Therefore, anything goes, including the mistreatment of those under him in the pecking order. For the person without Faith, those times of unanswered prayer or terribly unfair treatment or prolonged suffering become the proof of God's absence in the world and in that person's life. Despair or cynicism lies at the end of that road.

For the person who has Faith, the reality looks entirely different. Like the servant in the parable who is ready to serve his master whenever he returns, because he knows he will return, the person of Faith when faced with the same trials may be confused about many things but is certain of one – God is present. Therefore, whatever may lie ahead, the person of Faith will not be travelling alone. The question changes, from "Where is God?" to "How is God making him/herself known to me in this particular time?" What a vastly different approach to dealing with difficult times comes from asking this question.

Source: *3rdmillenniumpilgrim's Blog*

Bring the Year of Mercy to Life!

During this year of Mercy, would you do more to help those in need? The Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Council invites you to join us in sharing God's mercy! Sign up to volunteer for:

- **Caritas Shanghai**
 - Migrant Children Education Program
 - Medical support for orphans and impoverished families
 - Cancer Early Education Project
- **WILL Foundation**
 - Weekend hosting family
 - Baking homemade food for the WILL children
- **New Ministries** – Agape Meal Ministry & Grief Ministry

Please email Clare at cchui102@icloud.com if you want to volunteer your time.

Calling all Students Aged 7-18 for Altar Servers Ministry!

Register now for school year 2016-17. If you have received Holy Communion and are interested, please send Full name, Birthdate, Contact Person, Contact's Email address, Contact's mobile number, Saturday or Sunday Mass preference to altarservers@sacredheartpudong.com. Trainings start in September.

Thought of the Day

"Don't take anyone else's word for God. Find him for yourself, and then you, too, will know by the wonderful, warm tug on your heartstrings, that he is there for sure."

- *Billy Graham*

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