



Saint Joseph's Passionist Church

17 November 2024

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Saturday: Mass 11am; Vigil: 6.30 p.m.

Sun Mass: 9.30, 11 & 12.30; 6.30 pm

Mon-Friday Mass 8:30am

Every Saturday before Mass: Eucharistic

Adoration: 10:30am.

Confession: Saturday: 11.30 – 12.30

& 5 – 6 p.m. or by appointment.

CCD FHC Parents: Still some Baptism certs missing; Confirmations: a few still missing, please scan to stjosephparis@orange.fr

CCD payments missing: please check with Chris on Sunday

CCD Children Christmas Pageant, 3 to 4pm on Sunday 15 December.

Parents: please check with your teacher if your child wish to participate. There will be 2 rehearsals : **Sunday 8 & 15 Dec, from 2 - 3pm**, you may also contact yagparis@yahoo.com

Marriage Preparation Course:

Next 3 sessions Nov 17; Dec 1 & 15.

Certificate given at the end.

RCIA: Adults preparing for the Sacraments of

Initiation: Meetings

Thursdays at 8pm.

Bible study Wed. 20 Nov : 10:30am

EVERYONE NEEDS A PRAYER!

St. Joseph's Online Prayer Warrior will have an Online Prayer every Friday evening at 8.30pm starting November 22, 2024. Intentions can be sent to Venci @ stjoparis50avhoche@gmail.com Call him at St. Joseph's for more details.

Gaza fundraiser: Many thanks to all who donated the 5949 EUR on 28-29 Sep to buy winter clothes for baby Celine and her refugee family. If you can still help, contact Kevin (KM73CM@gmail.com).

Collection 10 Nov: 3172.56; cc 484 coffee: 94.82; ADP: 220; Swahili mass: 144.87; Many THANKS.

NB: All "St Joseph ADP" donations are 66% tax refundable. (Also available from screens) \$ cheques to "St Joseph's church": Tax receipts are available, ask the parish.

Next Pastoral Council on Wednesday 11 Dec at 7:30pm at St Joseph's

Ya Mass will be on Saturday 30 Nov 6:30pm.

ACWO: congratulations on their 70th anniversary!

Welcome back to **Father Brendan** who will be our Pastor at St Joseph's during Father Martin's Travel.

CATHOLICS IN CHINA



China is a vast and magnificent country with a recorded history of more than 5000 years. China also has a sophisticated culture expressed in art, literature, philosophy and religion. The culinary diversity of the country with its roots in local produce and tastes is legendary. In these ways and more, China stands out among the nations of the world as one of the truly greats.

One of the first great Catholic missionaries to China was the Italian Jesuit Fr. Matteo Ricci (1552-1610). Today both the Chinese authorities and the Church hold this great Jesuit missionary in high esteem for the way he worked tirelessly to understand and appreciate Chinese language and culture. His efforts to express and communicate the Christian faith in a manner that also respected Chinese ways is remembered with admiration and affection. The early Jesuit missionaries were so successful that they both preached the Gospel and advised the Emperors.

After the initial success of the mission things changed. For a long time, Christianity was regarded as the religion of the West and so out of place in China. In spite of this, the faith spread and today there are millions of Christians in China, though it is hard to determine exactly how many. It is said that Christianity is the fastest growing religion in China. There are many Catholic dioceses in China with priests, religious sisters and lay faithful actively involved in the life and mission of the Church despite many challenges and obstacles.

Let's pray for the Church in China and hope that it will continue to grow and be a source of blessing for all the people of China.



Free image of Matteo Ricci

