

Reflection: The chastisement of community leaders seem to be the central theme of the First Reading and the Gospel. The weakness of our humanity tend to find leaders falling prey to pride, their egos, misleading others for their agenda, or even for their profit. Jesus reminds us to test the truth, to discern for the right spirit of wisdom to lead us, to be humble in our faith and to seek God in earnest sincerity. Let us pray for our leaders, our elders and our teachers, that the gifts that God has granted them, may allow them to nurture others for the thirst, the awe and reverence for God in our lives.



Entrance: 570 All People That On Earth Do Dwell (SATB)

Entrance Ant.: Forsake me not, O Lord, my God; be not far from me! Make haste and come to my help, O Lord, my strong salvation!

Ordinaries: Kyrie Mass XVI, Sanctus & Agnus Dei Mass XVIII

Psalm: Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

Gospel Acc.: Speak Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life.

Offertory: 760 As We Gather At Your Table (SATB)

Communion Ant.: You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

Communion: 572 Blessed By Your Sacrifice (SATB)

Recessional: 445 All Praise & Glad Thanksgiving (SATB)

Marian Anthem: 485 Salve Regina (Simple Tone)

Conductor:

**Cantor:
Organist:**

On Leave:

Sectionals:

- Jesu Rex Admirabilis
- Christmas selections

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Music History

Spotlight on Composers

Antonio Lucio Vivaldi: *Composer, Violinist & Catholic Priest* (1678 - 1741)

Tomas Luis de Victoria was born in Venice (Italy) in 1678. He was taught the violin by his father, and they both toured Venice playing the violin. After receiving his catholic education and then being ordained a priest in 1703 (age 25), he was employed at the Ospedale della Pieta – a home for abandoned children. Many of his compositions were written for the female music ensemble of this home.

He was a reputable teacher of music and at the home. The system for the orphanage saw that boys had to learn a trade and leave for employment by age 15, while girls received a musical education and the most talented would stay to become members of the Ospedale's renowned orchestra and choir. Many of his students gained recognition and appreciation abroad. He would later find employment in various royal courts and was gaining popularity as a composer for Operas. His most well known composition: The Four Seasons, four violin concertos depicting scenes for each season, was written at the height of his career and patronage from both royalty and the clergy.

Vivaldi's health had been poor since birth, and it is believed he had been suffering from asthma as a child. This inhibited him from carrying out his full duties as a priest, and only celebrated the Mass a few times before being granted dispensation from these duties. He remained a priest for the rest of his life. He is also nicknamed "The Red Priest" (*il Prete Rosso*) in reference to his red hair.

He wrote more than 500 concertos as well as about 46 operas. He also composed a large body of sacred choral music, sinfonias, sonatas and chamber music.

Announcements

1. Recording for SPP CHOIR

There is a change in recording dates for the choir. We'll be using the main church on 14 Oct:

Saturday, 14 Oct, 2pm

- Ave Maris Stella (with ison)
- Lead Me Lord
- God Be In My Head
- Lully Lulla Lullay
- In Love He Came

2. Choir Fellowship (Deepavali Public Holiday)

Let's get together and chill! BBQ at NSRCC (end of East Coast). The BBQ and chalet unit has been booked, and we're in the midst of planning the catering.

Date: **Wednesday, 18 October 2017**

Time: From 12noon till evening

Place: **NSRCC Chalet 18N** (10 Changi Coast Walk)

3. "Spread the Love" Christmas @ Assisi Hospice

We're heading to Assisi Hospice for Carolling this Christmas.

Date: **Friday, 22 December 2017**

Time: Carolling starts 7pm (gathering time to be informed)

Address: 832 Thomson Road, S(574627)



Saturday, 7th October: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: The Church rejoices in being the vineyard of the Lord. There is much to do in the environments that we are a part of. We can bring in morals, ethics, and Christian values into our social spheres. We can add more meaning and depth into our relationships. There is much fruit that we can bear. However, if we remain passive, indifferent, nonchalant, apathetic and unbothered, then the joy of cooperating in God's kingdom might be removed from us. Will you suffer for the vineyard of the Lord? What fruits are you bearing in the Kingdom of God?

Entrance: 575 Joyful Joyful We Adore You (SATB)

Entrance Ant.: *Within your will O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.*

Ordinaries: Kyrie Mass XVI, Sanctus & Agnus Dei Mass XVIII

Psalms: *The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel*

Gospel Acc.: *I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you, everything I have learnt from my Father.*

Offertory: 709 Love Divine All Loves Excelling You (SATB)

Communion Ant.: *The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.*

Communion: 806 Ave Verum Corpus (Chant)
Recessional: 445 All Praise & Glad Thanksgiving (SATB)
Marian Anthem: 485 Salve Regina (Simple Tone)



Conductor:

Cantor:
Organist:

On Leave:

Sectionals:
 - Ave Maris Stella
 - Lead Me Lord
 - God Be In My Head
 - Christmas selections

Saturday, 14th October: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time ST. TERESA OF AVILA / RECORDING 2PM

Reflection: God fulfils our needs, as lavishly as only God can. He assures us that a banquet of rich food and a banquet of fine wines await us, his believers, if we only believe and enter his son's wedding feast. Of late, what have you been hoping and praying for? Do you believe that God will provide you with what your heart desires? Truly, we have all received a free invitation to the Lord's wedding feast. No questions asked. (Quiet time)

Entrance: 575 Joyful Joyful We Adore You (SATB)

Entrance Ant.: *If you O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.*

Ordinaries: Kyrie Mass XVI, Sanctus & Agnus Dei Mass XVIII

Psalms: *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell, forever and ever.*

Gospel Acc.: *The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him, he gave power to become children of God.*

Offertory: 709 Love Divine All Loves Excelling You (SATB)

Communion Ant.: *The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.*

Communion: 839 Soul Of My Saviour (SATB)

Recessional: 468 To Jesus Christ Our Sovereign King
Marian Anthem: 485 Salve Regina (Simple Tone)



Conductor:

Cantor:
Organist:

On Leave:

Sectionals:
 - Ave Maris Stella
 - Lead Me Lord
 - God Be In My Head
 - Christmas selections

Saturday, 21st October: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: Cyrus was the great Persian King that ended the rule of the Babylonians over the Jews. In the first year of his reign, he allowed the Temple to be rebuilt, sent back confiscated sacred vessels & gifted huge amounts of money to the Jews. In Jesus' time, Tiberius was Emperor of Rome (Caesar). He was one of Rome's greatest generals and laid the foundations for expansion into the northern frontier. Despite these great men, they are but earthly rulers who are as transient as time. But our God is Ruler over all – Alpha & Omega: to whom we owe our worship. May our leaders enable our spiritual journey heavenward.

Entrance: 461 Crown Him With Many Crowns (SATB)

Entrance Ant.: *To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.*

Ordinaries: Kyrie Mass XVI, Sanctus & Agnus Dei Mass XVIII

Psalms: *Give the Lord glory and power.*

Gospel Acc.: *Your word is truth O Lord, consecrate us in the truth.*

Offertory: 709 Love Divine All Loves Excelling You (SATB)

Communion Ant.: *Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.*

Communion: 839 Soul Of My Saviour (SATB)
Recessional: 737 God Whose Glory Reigns Eternal
Marian Anthem: 485 Salve Regina (Simple Tone)



Conductor:

Cantor:
Organist:

On Leave:

Sectionals:
 - Christmas selections

Saturday, 28th October: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reflection: The first reading tells us of how during Moses' time, the commandment of love had to be imposed on the people – God gave explicit examples about how we ought to treat our neighbours. Any unfair treatment may even result in God striking death upon a wrongdoer. Jesus brings with him a different manner of teaching, he teaches us the greatest commandment to love God with all our heart, as well as loving our neighbours as ourselves. Do we think of our neighbours as only our families, friends and people that we know? People from church, or do we extend our love to those outside of it too?

Entrance: 461 Crown Him With Many Crowns (SATB)

Entrance Ant.: *Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.*

Ordinaries: Kyrie Mass XVI, Sanctus & Agnus Dei Mass XVIII

Psalms: *I love you Lord my strength.*

Gospel Acc.: *Open your heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son.*

Offertory: 760 As We Gather At Your Table (SATB)

Communion Ant.: *We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.*

Communion: 806 Ave Verum Corpus (Chant)

Recessional: 737 God Whose Glory Reigns Eternal
Marian Anthem: 485 Salve Regina (Simple Tone)



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