

CATHOLIC MORALITY

The Personal Compass - Navigating Life's Ambiguities

by Fr. David Garcia OP

This year-long course helps participants to understand the reasoning of Catholic moral theology. Its aim is to enable ordinary Catholics to apply the principles of faith to ethical questions and dilemmas typical to contemporary Singaporean life. Audit students may register for any module as offered. Students wishing to complete Personal Compass for certification can contact [Janice Ng](#) for course requirements. Registration fees will be waived for members of the clergy and the religious.

Thursday evenings, 7:30pm-9:30pm, CWS Auditorium, 55 Waterloo Street (first half of 2012), and Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre (CAEC), 2 Highland Road (second half of 2012). Audit registration: \$80.00 per module (Early registration by indicated ER date: \$70.00). Certification student registration: \$400.00.

M1. FUNDAMENTALS

January 5, 12, 19, February 2, 9, 16 (ER December 22)

M4. SOCIAL JUSTICE

July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 16, 23 (ER June 28)

M2. HUMAN VIRTUES (Elective)

February 23, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 (ER February 9)

M5. SEXUALITY & MARRIAGE

August 30, September 6, 13, 20, 27, October 4 (ER August 16)

M3. THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES (Elective)

April 12, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 24 (ER March 29)

M6. BIOETHICS

October 11, 18, 25, November 8, 15, 22 (ER September 27)

CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Archdiocesan Rites of Election

presided by Archbishop Nicholas Chia

Held over the first weekend of the liturgical season of Lent. Parish communities send catechumens who are ready to be elected by the Church to celebrate the sacraments of initiation at Easter.

Saturday, February 25 at Blessed Sacrament Church (City and West district parishes), 2:00pm-4:00pm.

Sunday, February 26 at Holy Spirit Church (North, East and Serangoon district parishes), 2:00pm-4:00pm.

Introduction to the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

by Jarvis Tan & Arthur Goh

Suitable for newcomers to parish RCIA work, as well as experienced ministers wanting a refresher. This course helps participants to use the RCIA text, and deals with the history and principles that guide the Church's care and training of adults preparing for the sacraments of Christian initiation. Registration fee is waived for members of the clergy and religious.

Fridays, August 3, 10, 17, 24, at the CAEC, 2 Highland Road. 8:00pm-10:00pm. \$20.00 (Does not include RCIA text book).

CATECHETICS

Workshop on Eucharistic Adoration for Children

by the Catechetical Office & the Children's Eucharistic Adoration Team

This workshop prepares catechists to be facilitators of Eucharistic Adoration for children and youth in the context of catechetical sessions.

Saturday, January 7, Holy Spirit Church, 9:30am-12:30pm. \$20.00.

Launch of Catechetical Year

presided by Archbishop Nicholas Chia

Catechists from across the diocese join Archbishop Nicholas Chia to celebrate the beginning of the catechetical year.

Sunday, January 8, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 2:00pm-5:00pm. Free.

Basic Catechist Course (BCC) - Scripture I

by the Catechetical Office

The Scripture course for catechists covers key themes and how to present Scripture during catechetical sessions. This course is part of the Level 1 certification programme for catechists. Option to attend in February or July. Registration fees will be waived for members of the clergy and the religious.

Saturdays, February 25, March 3, 10, 17, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 9:30am-12:30pm. \$60.00.

Fridays, July 6, 13, 20, 27, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 7:00pm-10:00pm. \$60.00.

Basic Catechist Course (BCC) - Liturgy I

by the Catechetical Office

The Liturgy course covers the significance of the Liturgy and its implications for catechesis. This course is part of the Level 1 certification programme for catechists. Registration fees will be waived for members of the clergy and the religious.

Wednesdays, April 11, 18, 25, May 2, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 7:00pm-10:00pm. \$60.00.

Catechists Annual Day of Recollection

by the Catechetical Office

A day of prayer and retreat for those involved in parish catechetical ministry. Registration fees will be waived for members of the clergy and the religious.

Sunday, May 6, venue TBA, 9:00am-6:00pm. \$30.00.

Archdiocesan Catechist Coordinators Course (ACCC) IV

by the Catechetical Office

For parish catechetical coordinators to be equipped with the essential catechetical theory required for their work in parish catechesis. This is a stay-in event. Contact [Sylvia Stewart](#) for more information.

Tuesday, May 29 to Saturday, June 2, St. Francis Xavier Major Seminary. Registration fee TBA.

CATECHETICS

Training for Primary Curriculum

by the Catechetical Office

For the second group of parishes implementing the new primary level curriculum in 2013. Registration fees will be waived for members of the clergy and the religious.

Saturday, June 9 to Sunday, June 10, CAEC, 2 Highland Road. Time and registration fee TBA.

Training for Secondary Curriculum

by the Catechetical Office

For parishes implementing the new secondary level curriculum. Registration fees will be waived for members of the clergy and the religious.

Saturday, September 1 to Sunday, September 2, CAEC, 2 Highland Road. Time and registration fee TBA.

Childrens' Holiday Bible Camp

by the Catechetical Office

An enriching and fun four-and-a-half days camp for children from Kindergarten 2 through Primary 6.

Monday, 19 November to Friday, 23 November, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 9:00am-1:00pm. Registration fee TBA.

ACCC IV - Follow-up Retreat

by the Catechetical Office

Catechists who attended ACCC IV are invited to this retreat to spend time with the Lord, and to share experiences with one another of applying what was learned from ACCC IV in their respective parish settings.

Friday, November 30 to Sunday, December 2, Montfort Retreat Centre. Registration fee TBA.

Orientation for New Catechists

by the Catechetical Office

This session aims to orient newcomers to parish catechetical ministry, with special emphasis on Liturgical Catechesis. Registration fees will be waived for members of the clergy and the religious.

Sunday, December 9, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, Time TBA. \$30.00.

DAFF

Diploma of Adult Faith Formation

by SPI/DAFF Team

Two year course aiming to familiarize students to the theology of various Church disciplines, with a view to nurture Christian identity and a self-owned faith.

With the exceptions of Days of Recollection and Module 8, all classes are on Wednesday evenings, Risen Christ Church, 7:30pm-9:30pm. Registration forms available in parishes and at SPI.

Year I - 2012

M1. OUR CHRISTIAN CALLING

by Sr. Maria Lau IJ

February 1, 8, 15, 29, March 7.

M2. SALVATION HISTORY

by Msgr. Eugene Vaz

March 21, 28, April, 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23.

Day of Recollection I

by Sr. Susan Thomas FMM

Saturday, May 26, CAEC, 10:00am-4:00pm.

M3. WHO IS JESUS CHRIST?

by Arthur Goh

June 13, 20, 27, July 4, 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 22.

M4. CHRIST & THE SACRAMENTS

by Fr. Michael Arro MEP

August 29, September 5, 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14.

Day of Recollection II

by Sr. Susan Thomas FMM

Saturday, November 17, CAEC, 10:00am-4:00pm.

Year II - 2013

Details for Year II will be released in fourth quarter 2012.

M5. CHRIST, CHURCH, & CREATION

by Sr. Maria Lau IJ

M6. CHRISTIAN MORAL LIFE

by Fr. David Garcia OP

Day of Recollection III

by Sr. Susan Thomas FMM

M7. FAITH DEVELOPMENT

by Arthur Goh

M8. LEADERSHIP FOR MINISTRY

by Br. Dominic Yeo-Koh SG

M9. THE SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL

by Arthur Goh

Day of Recollection IV

by Sr. Susan Thomas FMM

PASTORAL

Christian Identity in Modern Culture

by Dominic Doyle, Ph.D.

Prof. Doyle is assistant professor of systematic theology at the School of Theology and Ministry (STM) of Boston College, USA. He will speak on Christian humanism as a way for Catholics to approach modern life, integrating insights from the *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World* and the writings of two Catholic thinkers, Nicholas Boyle and Charles Taylor.

Tuesday, January 3, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 3:00pm-5:00pm. Free. Registration required. (For clergy, religious, and lay church staff).

Wednesday, January 4, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 8:00pm-10:00pm. Free. Registration required. (Open to all).

Vatican II: What Happened?

by Arthur Goh

These sessions are intended for clergy, religious, and lay church staff to reacquaint with Vatican II in its historical context. The Council is more than merely a set of sixteen documents, and these sessions aim at a fuller appreciation of the Council and its vision, dynamic, and even its ambiguities, as God's ongoing work of steering the Church.

Wednesdays, February 1, 8, 15, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 3:00pm-5:00pm. Or Wednesdays, October 17, 24, 31, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 3:00pm-5:00pm. Free. Registration required. (For clergy, religious, and lay church staff).

Introduction to the Second Vatican Council

by Arthur Goh

This course will introduce in an accessible way the history, highlights, and basic teachings of this historic event that propelled the Roman Catholic Church decisively into a new era.

Fridays, April 11, 18, 25, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 8:00pm-10:00pm. Registration required. Free.

Priests & Laity - An Interrelationship for Life

by Fr. Timothy Radcliffe OP

Fr. Radcliffe is the former Master of the Dominican Order and a respected author and theologian. He will speak on the roles of the ordained priesthood and the common priesthood of the baptized, sharing his understanding of their inter-relationship as outlined in the *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church*.

Sunday, July 8, St. Mary of the Angels, St. Clare Hall, 3:00pm-5:00pm. Registration required. Free.

Ecumenism & the Catholic Church

by Deacon Sherman Kuek SFO

What does it mean for Catholics to be ecumenical? How did Vatican II express its teaching on the Catholic Church with respect to other Christians? Deacon Sherman unravels the threads to help participants grasp the inter-relationship between Christians of various traditions and the role Catholics play in the work towards Christian unity.

Friday, November 23, 7:30pm-9:30pm and Saturday, November 24, 10:00am-3:00pm, . Registration required.

PASTORAL

Go Into the Deep: Dealing with Mid-life Transitions

by Sr. Florence Wong FMDM

We all reach a point in time when we look back on the earlier part of our history and wonder: "What did I do with my life?" For some, it can be an anxiety provoking retrospect. Sr. Florence Wong will deal with some of the growing pains typical of this stage; the 'midlife crisis' and the empty-nest syndrome, to help participants arrive at some integration in the spirituality of ageing.

Tuesdays and Fridays, 4, 7, 11, 14 September, Blessed Sacrament Church, St. James Room, 7:30pm-9:30pm. Voluntary contribution.

Archdiocesan Neighbourhood Christian Communities' (NCC) Day

presided by Archbishop Nicholas Chia

The annual assembly of neighbourhood churches is convened to provide an opportunity for the Catholic grassroots to connect with the chief shepherd of the diocese, and to discern God's desire for the development of Catholic Christian life in Singapore.

Saturday, October 13, Venue TBA, 1:00pm-5:00pm. Free.

BIBLICAL

The Prophet Jeremiah

by Msgr. Eugene Vaz

This course is an exploration of the biblical book of Jeremiah.

Tuesdays, January 3, 10, 17, February 7, 14, 21, 28, March 6, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 17, 24, May 8, 15, 22, CAEC, 2 Highland Road. Option between morning sessions, 9:30am-11:30am, or evening sessions, 7:45pm-9:45pm. \$95.00. Early registration before 20 Dec 2011, \$90.00.

Salvation History - God's Covenantal Love Through the Ages

by Fr. Aloysius Ong

This course is recommended for students as a foundation prior to other bible study courses. A grasp of salvation history is indispensable to Roman Catholic interpretation of the scriptures, and forms the basis for a biblical spirituality. Fr. Ong is the seminary professor of Spirituality.

Wednesdays, July 4, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 22, 29, September 5, 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, November 7, 14, 21, 28 at the CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 7:45pm-9:45pm. \$105.00. Early registration before June 5 2012, \$100.00.

Introduction to the Bible

by Fr. Ambrose Vaz

A two week course to reading and interpreting Scripture. Students will be taught to apply the historical-critical method among others in bible-reading. They will also learn how to use reference tools for bible study such as concordances and commentaries.

Tuesdays, July 3, 10, CAEC, 2 Highland Road, 7:45pm-9:45pm. \$20.00. Early registration before June 26 2012, \$15.00.

The Book of Revelation

by Fr. Ambrose Vaz

The scriptural writings categorized as apocalyptic literature are often challenging and eludes our understanding. Father Ambrose helps students to make sense of this genre, with specific attention on the book of Revelation.

Tuesdays, August 7, 14, 21, 28, September 4, 11, 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, CAEC, 2 Highland Road. Option between morning sessions, 9:30am-11:30am, or evening sessions, 7:45pm-9:45pm. \$95.00. Early registration before August 1, \$90.00.



Introduction to the Second Vatican Council

by Arthur Goh

"I hear people referring to Vatican II a lot, but what was it about?"

"What are the Vatican II documents?"

"Why was the Council so important?"

"How did Vatican II affect the way we practice Catholicism?"

"Who were the minds and personalities behind the Council?"

If you have ever wondered about questions like these, then this course is for you. Modern day Catholics would do well to have some grasp of the teachings of the Second Vatican Council since it had an immense influence in shaping the Church today, and will still continue to shape the Church of tomorrow.

2012 is the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. The Singapore Pastoral Institute wants to bring the word and spirit of the Council into the consciousness of all our Catholic faithful. This course will introduce in an accessible way the history, highlights, and basic teachings of this historic event that propelled the Roman Catholic Church decisively into a new era.

Friday evenings, 13, 20, and 27 April 2012, 8:00pm-10:00pm.

Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre (CAEC)

No registration fee. A voluntary contribution will be taken to defray costs..

Seating is limited, please register by 9 April. Call us at 6858 3011

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