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# OFFICE FOR THE NEW EVANGELISATION



Inaugurated in September 2013, the Office for the New Evangelisation (ONE) is an office in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Singapore working to realise the Archdiocese vision of being a vibrant, evangelising and missionary Church.

As a catalyst for the New Evangelisation, ONE's mission is to facilitate processes and initiatives to move baptised Catholics into becoming missionary disciples.



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# **Jun Oct** 22 - 26 15 - 19

The Watchmen Retreat is a 5 day stay-in retreat to equip yourself to remain steadfast in your faith and be on guard against the distractions of the world.



#### Venue: Majodi Centre, JB, Malaysia Register today!

# New Wine Conference Aug 13

To inspire **missionary parishes** 



Mission Rally Oct 08

To respond to the **call to mission** in our everyday lives



# THE NEW EVANGELISATION

This is the mission that Jesus Christ gave to the Church. Hence, evangelisation is the work of every baptised Catholic, to witness and proclaim the Good News to all strata of society. It is a call for all Catholics to:

# RENEW

our faith and our relationship with Jesus, the Word of God

## LIVE

our faith daily, through prayer, worship and service

# SHARE

our faith with everyone, in proclaiming and witnessing

# CATHOLYST CATHOLIC • HOLY • SAINT

We hope that this conference will help to inspire and equip YOU to take charge of your faith and to allow the Holy Spirit to lead you to become the Catholyst to all whom you meet.



The warmest of welcomes and thank you for responding to the **Holy Spirit - the Protagonist of evangelisation** in saying **"Yes!"** to being a part of this year's conference.

> God loves each of us in a personal way, and He also gifts to each of us, a unique and special way to reach out in evangelising love. Going on this adventure of **evangelising love is one** of the most beautiful expressions of our Faith.

> May the learnings and inspiration from today further equip you to be, and to bring the Light of Christ to your families, neighbourhoods, work places, digital spaces and cultures. As you become salt, leaven and light through your daily witnessing and explicit proclaming of the Kingdom of God, we pray that you will transform your part of the world!

## SCHEDULE

09:00 Registration Starts

09:30 Praise & Worship

10:00

The Adventure of the New Evangelisation

**Fr Terence Pereira** 

#### 10:50

When Did We Become Non-Playing Catholics (NPCs)

Fr Jovita Ho

#### 11:40

Becoming a Protagonist of the New Evangelisation

Deacon Sherman Kuek

12:30

Lunch

13:50

Holy Spirit, Game Changer

Cassilda Lim

14:40

**Breakout Sessions** 

1 • Entering into the Great Adventure : How God Calls & Gifts Us For It Lydia Lim

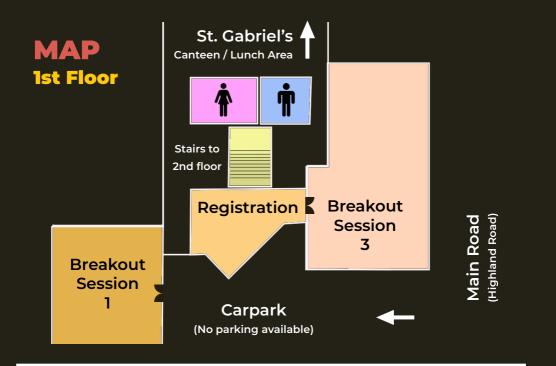
2 • Evangelising Together: Community as Catholyst Deacon Sherman Kuek

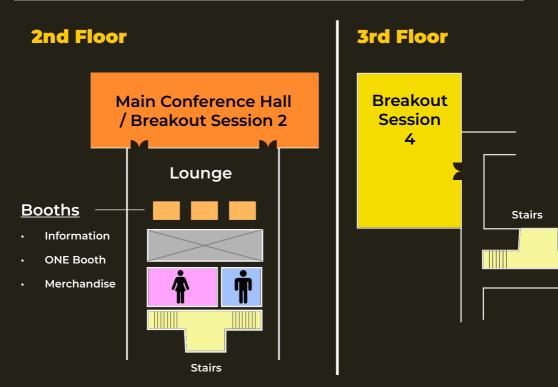
3 • Living Out the Best Story of Your Life Winifred Loh

4 • Super & Natural Evangelisation with the Holy Spirit

**Martin Fernandez** 

16:00 Send Off





## The Adventure of the New Evangelisation

#### **Fr Terence Pereira**

Do you feel like deep down you are meant for something more? Perhaps, the faith we have in our lives, has a greater meaning and purpose. Come hear from Fr Terence Pereira as he shares more on the true adventure we experience as we live out our faith's purpose.

# "Adventure is out there!!"



Living his own life in adventure and love, Fr. Terence shares with us how the mission of Jesus Christ is one of adventure in faith. As the Episcopal Vicar for the New Evangelisation, he leads ONE in promoting the work of evangelisation and disciple-making in Singapore. "The most beautiful and stirring adventure that can happen to you is the personal meeting with Jesus, who is the only one who gives real meaning to our lives."

- Pope John Paul II

#### **Reflection Questions:**

• What does an adventure in faith look like for you?

 How are you inviting someone to enter this adventure?



# When Did We Become Non-Playing Catholics (NPCs) Fr Jovita Ho



Legend

Non-Player Character (NPC): is any character in a game that is not controlled by a player.

We are meant to take an active part in the life of our faith, yet many of us passively go about our lives without realising the great adventure that awaits us. How did that happen? How can we awaken to the consciousness of being an active player in the faith?

From a young Altar Server to being ordained as a priest more than 8 years ago, Fr Jovita actively lives out his call to serve and love. Fr Jovita recently completed his licentiate in Church History from the Pontifical Gregorian University, and is now serving as the parish priest of St. Anne's Church since August 2020.

#### "The glory of God is man fully alive."

- Saint Irenaeus

#### **Reflection Questions:**

 What are some aspects of our lives where we are "non-playing"?

• Do we realise that we are meant to play an active part in our faith?



# Becoming a Protagonist of the New Evangelisation Deacon Sherman Kuek



## Protagonist | prəʊˈtægənɪst

Did you know that struggle or conflict is central to drama? The protagonist or hero of a play, novel, or film is involved in a struggle of some kind, either against someone or something else or even against his or her own emotions. So the hero is the 'first struggler', which is the literal meaning of the Greek word 'protagonistes'.

Deacon Sherman Kuek OFS is a Secular Franciscan, theologian, teacher, and preacher. Incardinated as a permanent deacon in the Diocese of Melaka Johor, Malaysia, he is also the Cornelius Cardinal Sim Professor of Theology and Dialogue at the Christian Institute for Theological Engagement (CHRISTE). Deacon Sherman is the Convenor of the Splendour Project, a Catholic apostolate for formation, evangelisation, and discipleship. Having been sent and evangelised, the Church herself sends out evangelisers. She puts on their lips the saving Word, and she sends them out to preach.

- Pope Paul VI, Evangelii Nuntiandi

#### **Reflection Questions:**

• In the drama of your life in the New Evangelisation, how are you the 'first struggler'?

• What does it look like to be the "protagonist" in your faith life?



# Holy Spirit, Game Changer Cassilda Lim



The Holy Spirit plays an important part in our Adventuring in Faith. The Spirit renews and is life-giving, thus changing our perspective and our game plan. The Game Changer (Holy Spirit) has always been there, but we may not have been paying attention and went into the drama of our life with our own game plan. What does it take for you to pay attention to this game changer?

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you.

- John 14:26

Cassilda is the Assistant Executive Director at ONE and is known as a speaker who brings the Word of God to life with her dynamic and heartfelt style of presentation. "Thus the Holy Spirit carries out the mission: from the beginning, from Pentecost onwards, He is the protagonist of the mission: To bring the Gospel."

- Pope Francis

#### **Reflection Questions:**

 How has the Holy Spirit been working in your life?

• In the drama of our own lives, how can we allow the Holy Spirit to change it all?

Votes



Are you a **CATHOLYST** in your life?

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# **Breakout Session 1:** Entering into the Great Adventure : How God Calls & Gifts Us For It



Some of us may have watched the popular Bible study series The Great Adventure, but how many of us do realise that **the Great Adventure has not ended, but continues today?** And that we are key characters called and gifted by God to continue his work of salvation in the world today?

How might we enter more deeply into God's great adventure? How might we get a clearer sense of how He calls and gifts us for the part we are to play in it?

## Lydia Lim



One weekday at mass some 15 years ago, Lydia got a strong sense that God wanted to see Lay Catholic women excel in their areas of giftedness. That led her on an adventure to the US, Hong Kong and around Singapore - where she has taught the Called & Gifted workshop. She enjoys having conversations with people on the discernment of spiritual gifts and personal vocation. She is working on living out her personal vocation at the job she gets paid for, at a media company.

# **Breakout Session 2:** Evangelising Together: Community as Catholyst

Being a protagonist in evangelisation has to be in the context of a **faith community that energises and animates our interior life and evangelical activity.** This breakout session proposes how we can develop or find such a community and identifies the essential characteristics that such a community should have.



Do you have fellow adventurers who will hold space and encourage you just as you would do for them? How can the Adventuring in Faith be made more fruitful and meaningful together with the community?

Deacon Sherman spends much of his time communicating the Christian faith through prolific speaking, writing and media production. His work involves teaching at academic institutions and also in non-academic contexts.

His Doctor of Theology degree was conferred by Trinity Theological College in Singapore.

#### Deacon Sherman Kuek



# **Breakout Session 3:** Living the Best Story of Your Life



Ever wondered if a film were to be made of your life, would it be a blockbuster or go straight to video? Are you the lead character or a supporting actor? Are you the producer/director or someone else is in control? **How does the drama unfold in the various acts of your life?** Come find out how you can star in a film of your life that you want to watch!

Do you recognise that the bits and parts of the drama of our life are given so that we may arrive at where we are meant to be? How are you getting ready to accept the challenge and carry on in the adventure?

#### Winifred Loh



Winifred chose to live out her calling in the field of Leadership/Organisation Development, and Human Resources in public listed companies globally and regionally. In the current season of life, she extends her time, talent and treasure to nonprofit organizations as well such as the Cana Film Festival, Centre for Non-Profit Leadership, Singapore International Film Festival, AWARE, and UN Institute for Training & Research.

# **Breakout Session 4:** Super & Natural Evangelisation with the Holy Spirit

As Catholics, we are called to share in the Church's mission to evangelise and **the Holy Spirit has equipped us with gifts to do this.** On this exciting journey of faith, we want to grow in our relationship with the Holy Spirit, see the supernatural grace unfold in our lives and learn to use the gifts of the Holy Spirit to touch and transform lives.



We have been given the gifts of the Holy Spirit, do we know how to exercise these gifts? How may I learn to exercise the gifts so as to share in the mission of the Church?

Martin began serving in the Church since 1988 starting with youth ministry. He was previously a coordinator of Youth Praise Ministry and a member of the Archdiocesan Lay Apostolate Commission. He has served actively in Catholic Charismatic Renewal since 1993, including two terms in SACCRE Council. Martin currently works as a trainer and is also a certified professional coach.

## Martin Fernandez



# Breakout Session Notes

# We hope you have had a blessed time in this Adventuring in Faith with us.

# Want to learn more about what it means to be a **CATHOLYST?**



We're very excited to continue in this adventure with you!

Write to us at: enquiries.one@catholic.org.sg

### **Feedback Form**





When the Church summons Christians to take up the task of evangelization, she is simply pointing to the source of authentic personal fulfilment. For "here we discover a profound law of reality: that life is attained and matures in the measure that it is offered up in order to give life to others. This is certainly what mission means."

- Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium



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