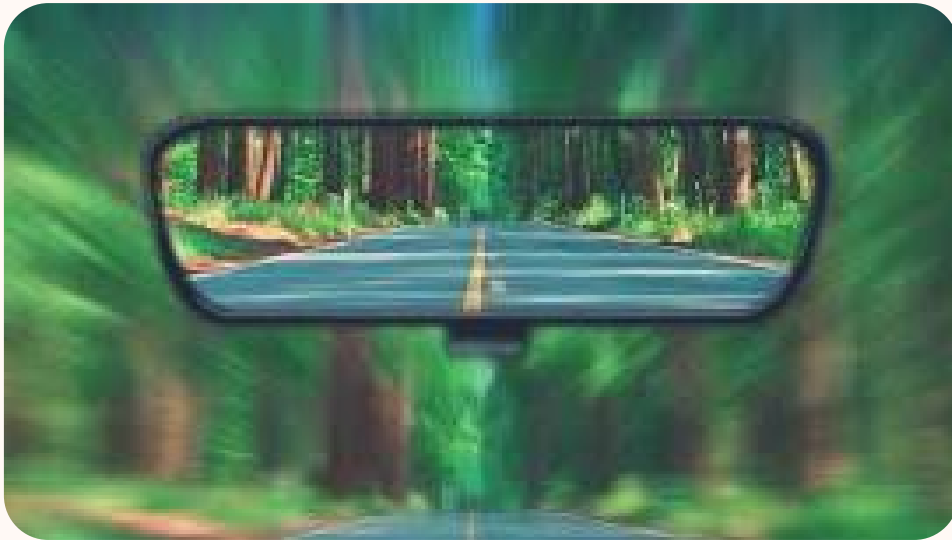




FAITH IGNITE

BECCOT e-Newsletter



LOOKING BACK TO LOOK FORWARD

JULIANA TAN

How often do you use the rear-view mirror in your car while driving? No doubt you always keep your eyes on the road, but every now and then it's good to catch a swift glimpse behind. This is more for positional awareness and as a good safety habit.

This is not a bad habit for your life as well. Looking back or reflecting helps you to notice patterns and develop the capacity to change your behaviors. It also invites you to be sensitive to God's presence in your life. Even "Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart" – Luke 2:19. It is in wise reflection that you can find great wisdom to go forward.

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HAVE YOU TAKEN TIME TO REFLECT ON THE YEAR THAT WAS?



- Name the things that you were grateful for. Thank God from the bottom of your heart.
- Reflect on the opportunities and challenges you faced. How did you respond to them?
- Have a heart to heart talk to God. Seek God's Strength and Light to face the new year with new Hope!

*I Can Do All Things
through Christ Who
Strengthens Me*

PHIL 4:13



GREETINGS

FROM REV. FR. LAWRENCE NG, CDD
PARISH PRIEST

A blessed New Year to you and your family!

My dear Parishioners,

I am pleased to present to you our new BECCOT newsletter!

I hope that this newsletter will be a meaningful way to connect and channel news and information of Church and of BEC (Basic Ecclesial Communities} activities to each and everyone of you.

At every quarterly publication, we will share stories that will help us better understand who we are as Catholics and individual members of God's family.

This initiative of BECCOT (Basic Ecclesial Communities Coordinating Team) will help increase connection and communication as we share past activities as well as feature upcoming events.



“FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION AND MISSION.”

A synodal Church is a Church which listens, which realizes that listening “is more than simply hearing”. It is a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn and grow spiritually.

Let us listen attentively to the words of our sisters and brothers throughout our parish, that we might come to understand not only what the Holy Spirit is teaching us but more critically *where* the Holy Spirit is leading us as we seek to journey together.

Sometimes moving a
mountain means setting
your faith on fire!

WHY FAITH IGNITE?

As we learn more about our faith and how our fellow BECs are living their faith in our community, it will bear much fruit and inspire you to consider being more involved in the life of your BEC. Jesus gave us a vital key to igniting our faith and releasing God’s miracle-working power in our lives:

If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, “Move from here to there,” and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. (Matt 17:20)

Your faith is not for you alone; it's meant to be shared with others. Towards PMPC 2026, our focus for 2023 will be on Family & Church. Let us, with faith ignited, reach out to those struggling with life, those in pain, the elderly, our youth, the last, the lonely, the least and the lost.

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GREETINGS

FROM REV. FR. MARTIN THEN, CDD

ASSISTANT PARISH PRIEST



Brothers and sisters in the Lord,
Peace!

It is the beginning of a new year, and I wish my brothers and sisters a blessed New Year!

The Catholic Church begins the new year with the celebration of the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God, a beginning of grace.

Just like you and I who were born, raised and nurtured for 9 months in our biological mother's womb, where the Church not only honours Mary, who was chosen among all women throughout history to bear God incarnate, but we also honour our Lord, who is fully God and fully human.

In short, Mother Mary conceived and gave birth to Christ, who is the incarnation of God the Son, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity.



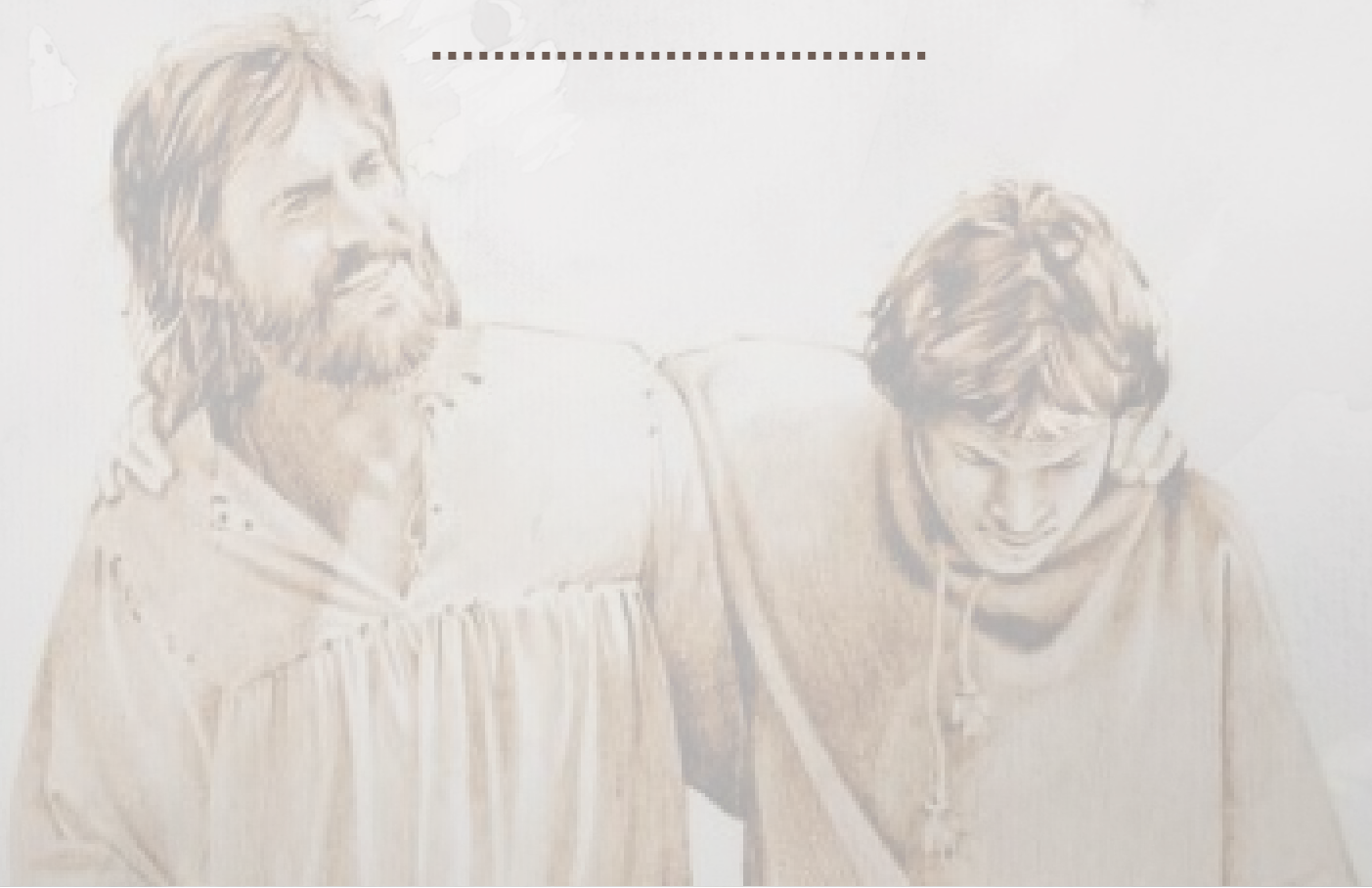
We are also being baptized in her motherly love and reborn spiritually; at the beginning of each year, under her motherly protection, we move towards Jesus Christ and journey towards the salvation in life.

Let us, in our BEC gatherings, work together in [Faith] and courageously move forward through the care and spiritual guidance of Mother Mary, support and encourage each other with [Hope], and share and witness the Good News of the Gospel with [Love].

Re-guiding the scattered baptized brothers and sisters in the neighbourhood (Matthew 28:19-20; 7:7-13 / Acts of the Apostles 2:42; 5:42; 20:17-35), spending quality spiritual life together during gatherings, praying, sharing, and breaking of bread (during Mass)

All of the above leads our yet to be baptized brothers and sisters (John 10:16) to better understand and accept the salvation of life.

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BECAT CHIEF MESSAGE

RITA KRISHNAN



Firstly, let me take this opportunity in wishing all of you a blessed New Year! The initiative of the **Faith Ignite** is highly applaudable with its entry into the New Year, to update the SIC community on current and forthcoming events and activities. It is surely a great idea to engage and strengthen our community, rekindling our faith, while involving one and all in our parish actions, especially led by BECCOT-BECAT.

In the past, the dedication and endless support of BECCOT has uplifted the joy of serving as BECAT, especially in organizing joint activities through discernment and profound conversations. A big thank you to Fr. Lawrence Ng CDD, and Fr. Martin Then CDD, for their guidance and insights in living our faith through the grace given to them in Christ.

May the joy and blessings of God be with our BECCOT-BECAT of SIC forever.

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BECCOT CHIEF MESSAGE

JO LEE

Shalom and a very happy & blessed New Year 2023!

There are 37 English-speaking BECs within the boundaries of St Ignatius Church located from Tropicana to Sungei Way in SS9.



Faith Ignite aims to build bridges between these communities of the church by sharing and keeping members informed and updated of past and upcoming events.

May you find **Faith Ignite** a source of encouragement and inspiration to fully understand how important your role is in the BECs.

Jesus said we are "the salt of the earth" and "the light of the world." Being salt and light is not optional.

How would you add flavor and illuminate another life in your community?

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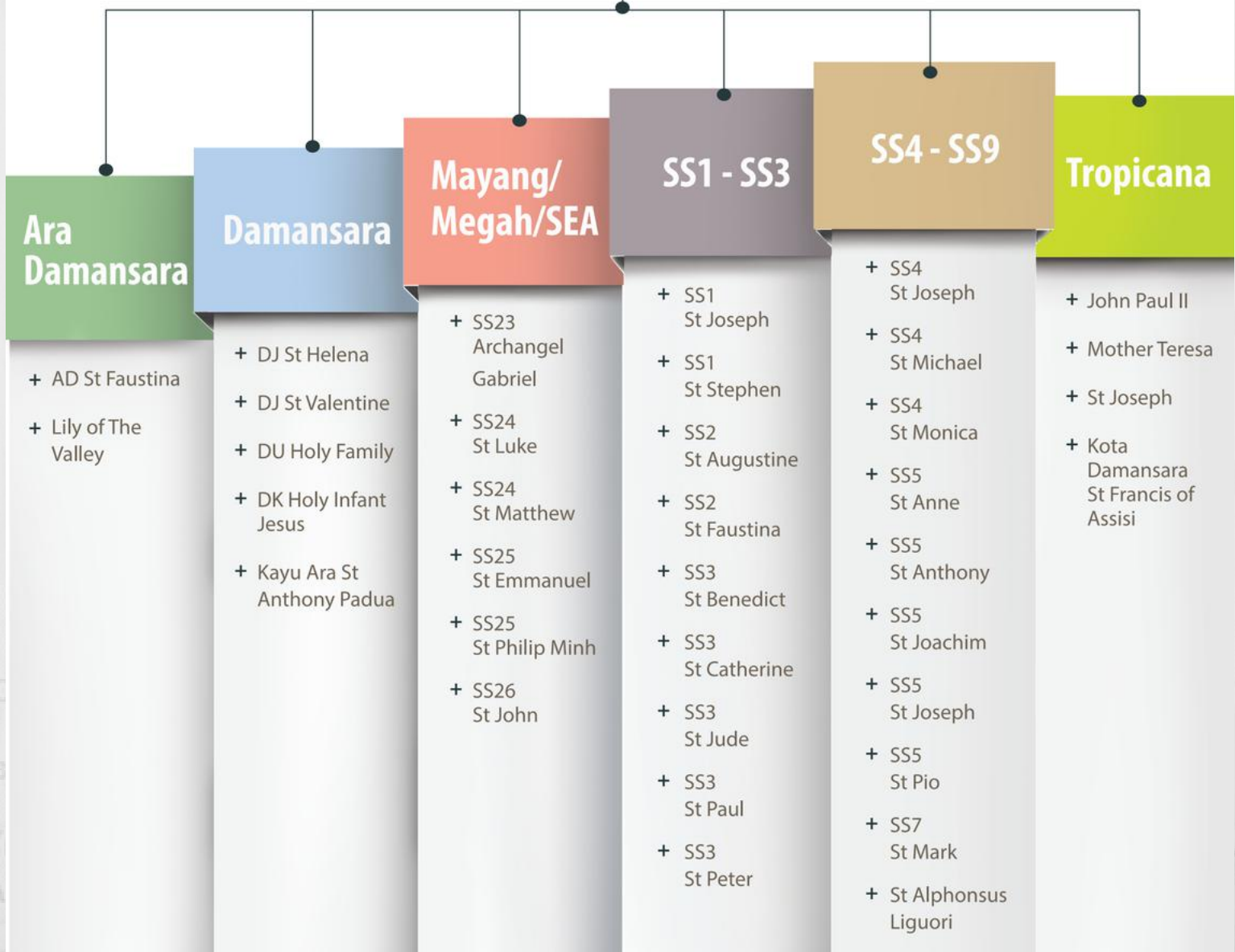
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THE WORK OF CHRISTMAS BEGINS



**The work of Christmas begins
When the carols have been stilled,
When the star-topped tree is taken down,
When family and friends are gone home,
When we are back to our schedules
The work of Christmas begins:
To welcome the refugee,
To heal a broken planet,
To feed the hungry,
To build bridges of trust, not walls of fear,
To share our gifts,
To seek justice and peace for all people,
To bring Christ's light to the world.**

- Michael Dougherty, a variation on Howard Thurman's 'When the Song of the Angels is Stilled'-

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4th	January	Oct-Dec 2023



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