



SRC Newsletter



Week 3

11 March 2024

Hi Everyone,

Welcome to the 3rd Week. Congratulations on our participation in the Inaugural Mass on Friday. In this week's SRC Newsletter we have an invitation to the diaconate ordination of Br: Cao An Phi, CP, notification of an upcoming social volleyball tournament and a reflective article "A Creative Invitation" by Harin, and a brief reflection song on the song "Be Not Afraid" by me.

Enjoy your reading!

Krisna.

Save the Date

What Friendly Volleyball Tournament

When Friday, 5th April.

Details in next week's newsletter

THE PASSIONISTS OF HOLY SPIRIT PROVINCE

WARMLY INVITE YOU TO

THE DIACONATE ORDINATION OF

Br. Cao Anh Phi, CP

BY MOST REV. ANTHONY IRELAND DD. STD.

MARCH
22
2024

FRIDAY AT 7:00 PM

Holy Cross Retreat
207 Serpells road, Templestowe, VIC 3106

Refreshments to follow in the dining hall

Please RSVP for catering purposes by 15th March 2024
to phi.cao888@gmail.com or 0420 344 544

A Gentle Reminder: Please consider a donation of \$20 for the semester, for the SRC Common Room fund. It is your donations that fund the tea, coffee and snacks in the Common Room. Donation envelopes are available in all the classrooms. Please hand in your donations to Nic or Kathy in the office.

Thank you to those who have already donated.

A Creative Invitation

(For it is only together, that we become artists)

For me, art is more than just sensory beauty. Be it visual, poetry, music, dance or prose; for it to become art, I need to pause - even for a moment - to be still, to look, to listen, to feel, to reflect. In that stillness, I need to let it stir something within me; emotions, feelings, thoughts, sensual experiences. Let it take me beyond the immediacy of my situation and surroundings, to a place free of space and time. Some part of me, has to be released, to experience and explore the transcendental - to create an intimacy between my soul and the cosmos; and in that intimacy, to reveal something - to me, about me, within me, and my relationship with my world.



The creator merely creates. For the created to become art, and the creator to become an artist, I need to respond to the creative invitation. It is only when -and if - I enter into the created, and through it, into a self-transcending cosmic experience, that the creation becomes art, and the creator becomes an artist. Without my response to creation, there is no art and there is no artist. It is only together, that we can create art, and together we both become artists.

Harin (a hopeful artist)

Be Not Afraid

Have you ever heard about the song titled *Be Not Afraid*? I think this song is very popular in the Lenten Season. Bob Dufford, SJ is the composer of this song. In my community, Doris Maru College (DMC) *Be Not Afraid* is one of the songs that I like the most. The lyrics are so powerful and rich.

You shall cross the barren desert
But you shall not die of thirst
You shall wander far in safety
Though you do not know the way
You shall speak your words in foreign lands
And all will understand
You shall see the face of God and live

Be not afraid
I go before you always
Come follow me
And I will give you rest

My Friends, this song reminds us how deep the love of God is for us. Every single day Christ with us. Christ is around us. Do not be afraid. Christ promised *He would go before us always*. Believe in Christ and Christ will save us. I recommend you listen and reflect on the lyrics during this Lenten season. My friends, may this song help you become closer to Christ and lead you to reflect on how Jesus loves you every day, especially during this Lenten season.

Krisna, SVD.