# E-mmaus: A Weekend Journey



The COVID-19 may have curtailed our physical gatherings as Church, but it certainly has not quenched our young people's desire for Jesus. Over the labour day weekend, 400 young working adults gathered online for E-MMAUS: A Weekend Journey.

We walked together with the risen Lord through 3 essential movements of our spiritual lives in this season. Moving from Crisis to Conversion, Lament to Listen, and finally from Fear to Freedom, we witnessed the Grace of God transforming hearts through the physical limitations of our current circumstances. For with God, nothing is impossible indeed!

"I'm so grateful that God really comes through, even online. Even in these times where it feels like walking in the desert, the Lord provides and still remains the Good Shepherd. From the input to prayer and worship to sharings, I felt the Lord just speaking straight to my heart. The reminders of the truth of God's faithfulness in all times and that the biggest disruption has already been overcome brings me so much comfort. I am so glad that I got over my initial hesitation and signed up. Praise God!" – Gabrielle D'Souza

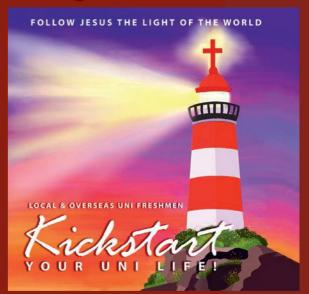
"The desire for God is written in the human heart. I am most thankful for this desire that the Lord has planted in me, that he keeps calling me back to him no matter how far I've gone. I'm thankful to God for this E-mmaus weekend that has helped me to remain connected with the young people of the Church and to remain faithful in this journey." – Samuel Hartanoeh

#### UPCOMING EVENTS



Often, the Lord draws us away from the busyness of our lives, to a sacred place where we can come to encounter Him. In this circuit breaker, God invites us to carve out time and space ever more intentionally to come and meet with Him. Join us on this 4-week online series! Calling all young people (16-35 years)

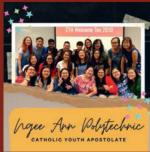
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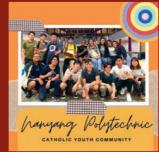


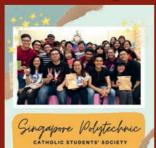
If you are a freshman entering uni, mark your calendar from 20-21 June!

Sign up at https://tinyurl.com/oypfreshmen2020 to be connected to what's being planned for freshmen this summer by OYP and the uni communities. Tele Christina from OYP @Chris\_ Chua for more info.

## **Connect with Poly, ITE & Private Diploma Students**











Amber is on the extreme left, in green and white stripe top

My faith journey started in the years gearing up for Confirmation and that was when I had my first encounter with God. However, the worldly distractions overcame me, and I would only turn to God when I needed Him. Soon I became distant from my faith and this lasted till the end of my 1st year in Republic Polytechnic.

I was invited to attend an OYP retreat called "Shine". I was very sceptical about signing up for it,

as I thought it would be like any other camp I have been to and the outcome will be no different, but I took a leap of faith and registered. Little did I know that my life was going to change. The Shine retreat was the beginning of my transformation and my yearning for the Lord. It was in Shine where I discovered that we have catholic communities in our various tertiaries and RP was one of them. In my 2nd year in Polytechnic, I was invited to join the RP community but I was hesitant because I had many fears. I was afraid to open up to a bunch of strangers, of being judged and that I would not be able to give the expected correct answers. But despite all my fears, I went for the first session and lasted through the awkwardness and decided to give this catholic community a shot.

One year later, I am grateful to have been part of this community and it has become a second family. At the same time I now serve as one of the RP Community Leaders. I have been blessed with an amazing gift of each of the members journeying with me in faith and friendship. I give thanks to God for the path he has brought me and the gift of these special people and I wouldn't have it any other way. -Amber, Republic Polytechic

#### We meet weekly for formation: **Combined sessions**

Republic Polytechnic, ITE & Private Diploma, Wednesdays, 7:30pm

#### **Ngee Ann Polytechnic** Catholic Youth Apostolate,

Wednesdays, 7:00pm

#### **Nanyang Polytechnic** Catholic Youth Community: Mondays, 7:00pm

Singapore Polytechnic Catholic Students' Society, Wednesdays, 3:30pm

### **Temasek Polytechnic**

Catholic Community, Wednesdays, 7:30pm

During circuit breaker, all gatherings will be held online. For more info, go to https://tinyurl.com/OYPpoly2020

#### **Calling Fresh Graduates**



Graduating from a local or overseas university this year? What Is God calling you to be in this new season of change? We invite you to spend this weekend to recollect your journey and discover in prayer the life we are called to live.