



**"For now I have
chosen and
consecrated
this house so
that My name
may be
there forever,
and My eyes
and My heart
will be there "**

2 Chronicles 7: 16

SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Ezekiel 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12

Psalms 45: 2-3, 5-6, 8-9

1 Corinthians 3: 9-11,
16-17

John 2: 13-22

– the Lord desires for streams of living water to flow: words of Scripture spoken aloud, blessings over children, patient conversations that heal tension.

Jesus' cleansing of the Temple is not anger at religion but grief - overturning worship into a marketplace. The domestic church is not a marketplace of conditional love – "I'll be kind if you meet my standards" - but a sacred place where mercy overturns judgement and relationships are shaped by covenant, not condition.

St Paul says we are God's temple and Christ is the only foundation. St John Paul II names the family the "domestic church," and Amoris Laetitia (315 - "The spirituality of family love is made up of thousands of small but real gestures.") adds that holiness is built from the small gestures that rarely make headlines. In our multifaith Malaysia, hospitality is mission: a respectful "hello" at the lift, a shared meal with BEC neighbours, and a listening ear for a migrant family.

Synodality begins at the dining table or at the living room where we read the Gospel, learn to disagree without contempt, and allow the Spirit to reopen doors we have quietly closed. **From such homes, living water flows outward, to parish, to workplace, to those who have never stepped into a church building yet taste God's kindness through our welcome.**

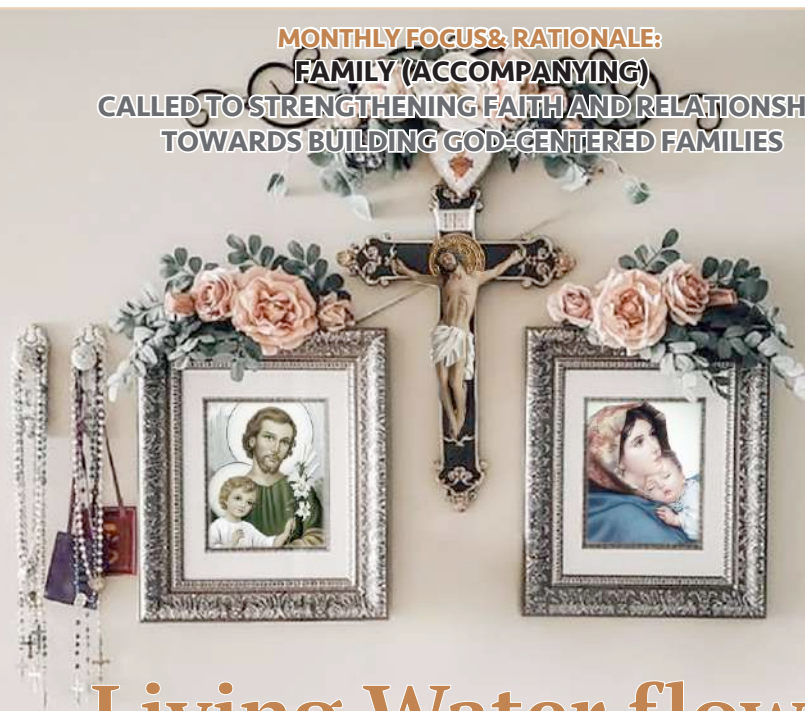
This week: Set up or refresh a simple prayer corner and share some time in prayer and a device-free meal together. ✚

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TOWARDS BUILDING GOD-CENTERED FAMILIES



Living Water flows from God-Centered Families

Our theme moves from memory to dwelling: to accompany is to make space where God can stay with us. The Lateran Basilica – "mother and head" of all churches, points beyond architecture to vocation. From the Temple, Ezekiel saw a river transforming barren ground into a fruitful garden of life; so too, from our homes – whether in kampungs, city flats, or urban neighbourhoods