



St Joseph's Church

(Bukit Timah)

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8.00am to 9.00pm

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES (Chapel of St Joseph)

Mon – Fri : 6.30am, 6.30pm
Sat : 6.30am

WEEKEND MASSES

Sat : 5.30pm (Sunset)
Sun : 7.30am (Mandarin),
9.30am, 11.30am and 5.30pm

CONFESIONS

15 mins before all weekend Masses in the Reconciliation Rooms in Church.

OTHER SERVICES

ADORATION ROOM

Mon – Fri : 8.00am to 9.00pm
Sat : 9.30am to 7.00pm
Sun : 8.00am to 7.00pm
Public Holidays : 8.00am to 4.00pm

COLUMBIARIUM / ROSARY GARDEN / STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Mon – Sun : 8.00am to 8.00pm

MEDIA CENTRE (BOOKSHOP)

Sat : 4.30pm to 7.00pm
Sun : 8.30am to 1.00pm
Every 2nd Sunday : 8.30am to 1.00pm,
5.30pm to 7.00pm

DEVOTIONS

Holy Hour : First Friday @ 8.00pm in Main Church (unless otherwise stated)

Mass in Honour of St Joseph

First Wednesday @ 8.00pm in Main Church

Divine Mercy

Every Friday @ 8.00pm (except First Fri) in the Chapel of St Joseph

Garden Rosary

First Saturday after the 5.30pm Mass

Grotto Rosary

Every 13th of the month after 6.30pm Mass (weekdays only)

Holy Hour for Vocations

Every Third Thursday of the month in the Chapel of St Joseph @ 8.00pm

Blessing of Expectant Mothers

Every Fourth Sunday of the month

From the Desk of the Parish Priest

2023 Parish Assembly

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH (BUKIT TIMAH)

Vision

A vibrant, evangelizing and missionary Church, under the Patronage of St Joseph.

Mission

To nourish faith in a loving outreaching community.

Three Pillars

Faith Formation
Community-building
Outreach

On behalf of the organizing team for the Parish Assembly, I would like to extend my thanks to all our parishioners who participated in the Assembly.

We really appreciate you taking the time to listen, reflect and discuss the needs of our parish.

For those who were not able to attend, you can find the various Focus Group suggestions made by our Youth, Young Adults, Adults, Parents, and Seniors using the attached QR code. Do take some time to read through them and 'like' your favourite suggestions to build a more vibrant, evangelistic and missionary parish.

We will be sharing more follow-ups to the Parish Assembly in due course.

Do look out for them.

If you would like to render your assistance and be a part of this growing community, you can email sjcbt.pastoral@catholic.org.sg to indicate your interest. We welcome all the support that we can get and this will also help you build a sense of belonging to our Parish.

We look forward to journeying together with you towards a more vibrant, evangelistic and missionary parish!

St Joseph, Pray for us!



From the Desk of the Parish Priest (cont'd)

Progressive Upgrading around the Church

Constant upgrading is required to preserve and upkeep our grounds. Here are some of our latest projects:

The Statue of St Joseph



The statue of St Joseph received a new coat of paint recently.

The newly-painted statue was blessed after the evening Mass on Thur 16 Nov.



Rosary Garden

This also received a fresh coat of paint. The rosary beads, in place since 2017, will also be replaced in due course.



Statue of Our Lady in the Chapel of St Joseph

The statue has been relocated from the back of the Chapel to the Sanctuary to enable us to focus on our Blessed Mother when we pray the Rosary.



A note of thanks

On behalf of the priests of the parish, I would like to thank the teams who helped with these upgrading projects, especially our artists who did the re-painting works. Most of all, we thank God for His guiding hand in these projects.

AROUND THE PARISH

Humanitarian Aid to Gaza Crisis



Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives, Singapore (CHARIS), is making an appeal for those affected by the conflict in Gaza and the surrounding region.

You can donate via credit card or PayNow through the CHARIS website. Alternatively, you can send a crossed cheque payable to "Humanitarian Aid Fund", indicate "Humanitarian Aid to Gaza" at the back of the cheque, send the cheque to: CHARIS, 55 Waterloo Street, #07-02 Catholic Centre, Singapore 187954.

Please contact CHARIS at 6337-4119 or scan the QR code to visit their website for more information.

Let us do our part to help where we can.

SSVP Christmas Joy for Families-in-Need



The Society of St Vincent De Paul invites the Parish community to share Christmas Joy with those in need by purchasing a Christmas gift, goodie bag items or bookstore vouchers for the families served by SSVP.

Drop by the St Joachim Room this weekend and pick up a gift card.

Art & Faith Talk : Parables of the Kingdom (Mon 20 Nov @ 8 pm)

More Parables of the Kingdom: Qualities and attitudes of kingdom citizens



An Art & Faith talk

Jesus used parables to teach us how to get to the Kingdom. Let paintings recount for you these parables heard at the Sunday Gospels from Matthew.

Speaker: Patricia Tan

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Mon, 20th Nov 2023, 8.00-9.45pm | St Mary AVA Room, Level 3

Prayer thru Music (Fri 24 Nov @ 8 pm)



Prayer thru Music

brought to you by SAHOP

Topic:

"Praising God through Songs"

Guest Speaker:
Carmelite
Friar Joseph Christopher
of Divine Truth



Scan here to
follow us:

Friday 24th November 2023 @ 8pm

Level 3, AVA Room

Parish Community Hall



E-mail: sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com

"He Who Sings Prays Twice" – St. Augustine

Christmas Fair (Sun 26 Nov)

Media Centre (Bookshop) : Christmas Fair

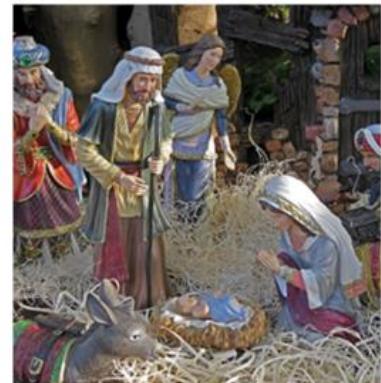
The Daughters of St Paul Media Centre (Bookshop) will be having their annual Christmas Fair on the weekends of :

Sun 26 Nov (7.30 am – 12 nn) and

Sat 9 Dec (4.30 pm -7.00 pm) and

Sun 10 Dec (8.30 am – 7.00 pm)

Do drop by and you may be able to pick up some delightful Christmas presents for your family and friends.



First Friday Mass & Holy Hour (Fri 1 Dec) / First Wednesday Mass in Honour of St Joseph

FIRST FRIDAY Mass and Holy Hour

Mass : 7.15pm
Holy Hour : 8.00pm

» 3 Feb 2023 » 1 Sep 2023
» 2 Jun 2023 » 6 Oct 2023
» 7 Jul 2023 » 3 Nov 2023
» 4 Aug 2023 **» 1 Dec 2023**

Gifts
of the
Holy Spirit

MASS IN HONOUR OF ST JOSEPH



Every First Wednesday Main Church

2 Aug / 6 Sep / 4 Oct / 6 Dec

7.30 pm : St Joseph Rosary

8.00 pm Mass

Infant Baptism

INFANT BAPTISM

Year 2024



RITE OF BAPTISM @ 1:30PM	PREPARATION SESSION 1 @1:30PM (Zoom) For parents and godparent	PREPARATION SESSION 2 @1:30PM (AVA SJ room) For parents and godparent	CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION:
4 FEB 2024	7 JAN 2024	28 JAN 2024	15 DEC 2023

Parents seeking Baptism for their infant or child, please visit our website: St. Joseph's Church, Bukit Timah. Download the 'Infant Baptism Registration' form (under Services>Sacraments>Baptism) and submit your registration with the relevant documents to Parish Secretary.

Email: sjcbt.secretariat@catholic.org.sg

Little Shepherds' Schoolhouse



Little Shepherds' Schoolhouse is Hiring

If you have a background in early childhood education and passionate about children, come join our family at Little Shepherds' Schoolhouse!

1. Preschool Educator
2. Assistant Preschool Educator
3. Administrative Executive

Interested? Send your resume!
iss.recruit@catholicpreschool.edu.sg

ACMI Skills Development Courses

ACMI Skills Development Courses (Jan-Jun 2024)



Sign up for weekend classes at the Church of St Bernadette or Agape Village!

- English Language
- Caregiver
- Basic Computer and Word
- Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint
- Basic Crochet
- Zumba and many more...

Calling all migrants:
Registration open
till 19 Nov

Scan the QR code
to find out more:



Novena Youth Rally (Fri 24 Nov)

Novena Youth Rally

WRAP UP YOUR YEAR WITH
A THANKSGIVING



WE LEAF TO BELEAF

WE LIVE TO BELIEVE

2023.11.24

TIME START 7:30 PM

PLACE NOVENA MAIN CHURCH

GROWTH • HOPE • BELIEVE

NOVENA
CHURCH OF ST ALPHONSIUS

NOVENA YOUTH RALLY
RECONNECT • REFRESH • REIGATE

PIETA Singapore (28 Nov)

PIETA is a support group for bereaved parents who have united in faith to seek God's comfort, wisdom and hope. The session, run by bereaved parents, meets monthly to pray, reflect and break open the WORD OF GOD. We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to unite with us in faith.

Details of our next session via zoom :

Date : Tue 28 Nov 2023

Time : 7:30pm to 9:15pm



If you wish to join, please email : pieta.singapore@gmail.com for the zoom link.

Finding Christ through Humanitarian Work (2 Dec)

A Step Beyond #5

Finding Christ through Humanitarian Work

Rev Fr Matthieu Dauchez

Sat, 2 Dec • 09.30 – 11.45 •

Church of St. Ignatius



Join us for a mass and gathering with Fr. Matthieu as he shares how we can find Jesus in our daily lives and draw closer to God through charity and humanitarian work.

Rev. Fr. Matthieu Dauchez, at the helm of the Anak-TNK Foundation in Manila, cares for former street children and abandoned seniors. The joy of helping the most vulnerable has deepened his faith and inspired his service to God.

<https://makehopehappen.charis-singapore.org/Activities/finding-christ-through-humanitarian-work>



Sign up by Fri, 24 Nov:

Marriage Encounter Weekend (1 – 3 Dec)



Jesus Encounter Retreat (7 – 10 Dec)



Advent Recollection (Sat 16 Dec)



ADVENT RECOLLECTION

A Day of Prayer
A Cenacle Programme

This day, we will reflect and pray on the themes of **CONTRASTS and CONFLICTS** as we follow the Advent Scripture narratives being re-told in our daily living.

16 Dec, 2023 [Saturday]
8am to 5pm
Vigil Mass @530pm
Church of the Holy Family

Register here: [\[QR code\]](#)

Landings (from 15 Feb 2024)

*Light in darkness
He's waiting...
COME HOME*



A 10-week *Landings* journey awaits every Thursday from **15 February 2024 to 9 May 2024**.

Landings is a reconciliation ministry based on compassionate listening. At Landings, we welcome returning Catholics back to the Church.

Venue: Annexe Hall, Church of St Ignatius

Time: 8pm to 10pm

 returning@landings.org.sg

 www.landings.org.sg



SCAN ME

Landings Singapore presents a new 10-week programme for Catholics seeking a reconnection to the faith. It runs from 15 February 2024 through 9 May 2024. All sessions will be held in person at the Church of St Ignatius on Thursdays from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm. We invite you to register your interest at returning@landings.org.sg or visit www.landings.org.sg