






# St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

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 620 Upper Bukit Timah Road  
Singapore 678116

 Gate Opening Hours:  
8.00am to 9.00pm

 [stjoseph-bt.org.sg/](http://stjoseph-bt.org.sg/)

 [facebook.com/sjcbt/](https://facebook.com/sjcbt/)

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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

### CONFESSIONS

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

### COLUMBARIUM / 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

### Holy Week

We have journeyed through 5 weeks of Lent and are now entering into Holy Week. This is the last stretch before we reach Easter Sunday, the most important day for Christians, when Jesus rose from the dead.

On Palm Sunday, we recount Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We carry palms to reenact the crowd welcoming Jesus into Jerusalem.

On Holy Thursday, 3 significant events occur.

In the morning, there will be the blessing of the Oil of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of Holy Chrism at the Chrism Mass. The priests also renew their priestly promises during the Chrism Mass.

In the evening Masses, we have the Institution of the 2 Sacraments : Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders. During this Mass, we will have the washing of the feet – a commandment of the Lord concerning fraternal charity.

After the 8.30 pm Mass, there will be the transfer of the Blessed Sacrament to the altar of repose in the Community Hall. Come, and spend some time with the Lord.

Good Friday marks the day when Jesus died on the Cross for our sins. It is a day of fasting and abstinence. There are no Masses held on Good Friday, only services.

Holy Saturday is marked with quiet anticipation as we await the resurrection of our Lord.

Easter Vigil is the night of all nights as we celebrate the resurrection of the Lord.

How rich is our Catholic faith as we reflect on Jesus' Paschal Mystery – his suffering, his death and resurrection.

Make this Holy Week a meaningful and fruitful one. Come and participate in all the Masses / Services that have been prepared for you.



AROUND THE PARISH – LENTEN ACTIVITIES

Maundy Thursday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Thu 28 Mar)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
Thu 28 March 2024 @ Parish Community Hall



Time	Prayers Led By
10 pm – 10.20 pm	Mandarin & Dialect Speaking Ministries
10.20 pm – 10.50 pm	Sacred Silence
10.50 pm – 11.10 pm	Legion of Mary (English)
11.10 pm – 11.40 pm	Sacred Silence
11.40 pm – 12 mn	Divine Mercy
12 mn	Repose of the Blessed Sacrament

Tenebrae Service (Fri 29 Mar @ 5 pm)

Join in a time of prayers,  
readings, reflections and hymns  
on the suffering and death of  
Jesus as we observe this solemn  
day of prayer and fasting.

# Tenebrae Service

Good Friday  
March 29  
5pm - 6pm  
Parish Community Hall  
All are Welcome

Holy Saturday Pilgrimage to Holy Cross (Sat 30 Mar)

## Holy Saturday Pilgrimage to Holy Cross

Holy Saturday 30 Mar  
Starting at 8.00am  
From our parish via the Rail  
Corridor to the Church of the  
Holy Cross.



Register with the Welcome Desk  
downstairs or scan the QR Code  
<http://tinyurl.com/2024SJCBPilgrimage>



All parishioners are  
invited to join in a  
pilgrimage on Holy  
Saturday to the Church  
of the Holy Cross in  
Clementi via the Rail  
Corridor.

Registration will close by  
midnight of Sunday 24  
March.

# AROUND THE PARISH – Feast Day

## Mass Timing

### Wed 1 May : St Joseph the Worker

5.30 pm : Mass (Celebrant : Archbishop Marek Zalewski)

Feast Day Procession after Mass

7.00 pm : Feast Day Dinner in Parish Community Hall

### Thu 2 May & Fri 3 May

8.00 pm : Mass (Celebrant : Msgr James Yeo)

No 6.30 am and 6.30 pm Masses

### Sat 4 May

5.30 pm : Sunset Mass (English)

7.30 pm : Mass (Tamil)

### Sun 5 May

6.00 am : Mass (English)

7.30 am : Mass (Mandarin)

9.30 am : Mass (English)

11.30 am : Mass (English) (Celebrant : William Cardinal Goh)

5.30 pm : Mass (English)



## Feast Day Food and Fun Fair (Sun 5 May)

Food stalls from 7 am to 2 pm

Game stalls from 9 am to 2 pm

All transactions strictly by coupons only.

## Flowers for St Joseph

# St Joseph's Feast Day (1 May) Flower Donations



Honour our Patron Saint with an offering of flowers.

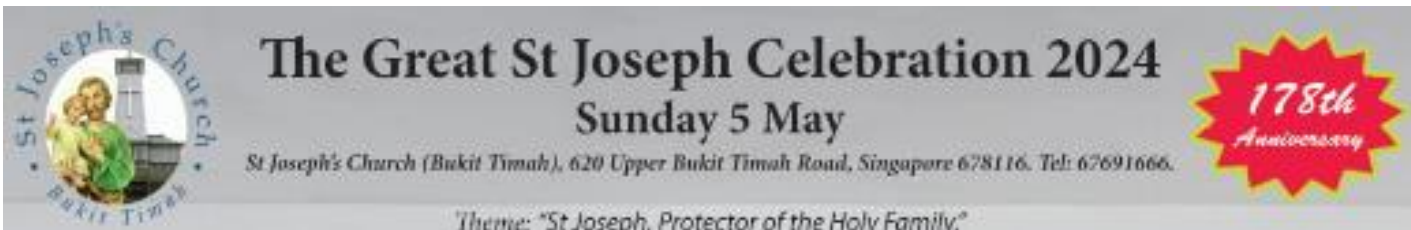
Place your requests at this link :

<https://forms.gle/PVBmYjb65qkPEpmw6>

or via this QR code .



All contributions will go to St Joseph's Church.



### Calling Feast Day Food Stall Holders

We would like to invite parishioners to set up Food Stalls for our Feast Day Food Fair which will fall on the weekend of Sat 04 May and Sun 05 May.

You can collect the application forms from :

- a) Welcome Desk
- b) Parish Office or
- c) Email [sjcbt.admin@catholic.org.sg](mailto:sjcbt.admin@catholic.org.sg) for a softcopy.

Please take note of the compulsory 2 meetings for all stall holders :

1st Meeting : Sunday 7 April @ 1pm.

2nd & Final Meeting : Sunday 21 April @ 1pm.

We look forward to your support.

### Feast Day Dinner Tickets (Wed 1 May)

The Feast Day dinner will be held in the Parish Community Hall on Wed 1 May (after the Feast Day Procession).

As tables are limited, tickets are on a first-come first-served basis.

Ministry members will book their seats through their respective Ministry Heads.

Non-Ministry members can approach the Welcome Desk / Parish Office or email [sjcbt.admin@catholic.org.sg](mailto:sjcbt.admin@catholic.org.sg) to register for your tickets. The Parish Office will contact you when the tickets are ready for collection.

Each ticket costs \$50/-.





Prayer thru Music (Tue 26 Mar @ 7.30 pm)



*Prayer thru Music*  
(brought to you by SAHOP)

**"Dreams and  
God's Revelation"**

**Journey with Jesus  
from  
Gethsemane to Calvary**

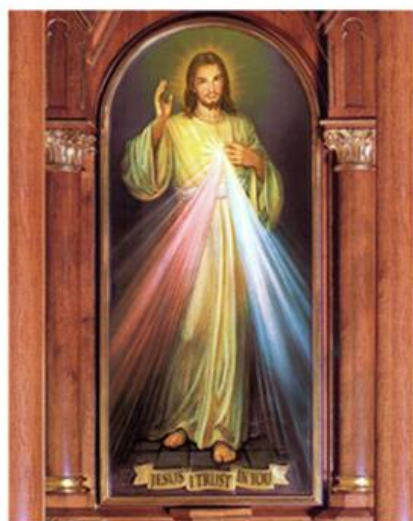
**Guest Speaker:  
Fr Joseph Zhang**

**Tuesday 26th March 2024 @ 7.30pm  
Level 3, AVA Room  
Parish Community Hall**

**"He Who Sings Prays Twice" – St. Augustine**

Divine Mercy Novena

## Novena to the Divine Mercy



- Day 1 : 29 March - Good Friday @ 5pm
- Day 2 : 30 March - Holy Saturday @ 3 pm
- Day 3 : 31 March - Easter Sunday @ 3 pm
- Day 4 : 01 April - Easter Monday @ 8 pm
- Day 5 : 02 April - Easter Tuesday @ 8 pm
- Day 6 : 03 April - Easter Wednesday @ 8 pm
- Day 7 : 04 April - Easter Thursday @ 8 pm
- Day 8 : 05 April - Easter Friday @ 8 pm
- Day 9 : 06 April - Easter Saturday @ 1pm

Venue : Chapel of St Joseph

# Do you want to:

Guide your children towards Happiness! ✓

Learn tips on how to effectively parent your Children ✓

Learn ways to instill virtues in your Children ✓

## Catholic Parenting Workshop



by Dr. John Hui, Family Physician

Dr John Hui is a loving husband, father of 4 and grandfather of 5. A Family Physician in private practice and host of the podcast series Catholic Parents Online.



**SAVE THE DATE**

6 & 13 Apr 2024 (Sat)

3.15pm-5.15pm

St. Joseph's Church (BT)

Parish Hall

\$20 Workshop Fee

**JOIN NOW**



[bit.ly/CP\\_SJC](https://bit.ly/CP_SJC)

Come discover how as Catholic parents, we can live out our mission to be priest, prophet and king in the family. Learn how to instill Faith & Virtues in our children.

### Scripture Series : The Books of Kings

## Scripture Series : Part IV – The Books of Kings By Fr Ambrose Vaz



*Ignorance of Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.  
(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 133)*

Time : 9 am to 10.45 am

Venue : St Joseph AVA Room

St Joseph's Church (BT)

Dates : Apr 11 / 18 / 25

May 02 / 16 / 23 / 30

Jun 27

(8 sessions)

No registration required. All are welcome.

Do bring along your bibles.



# AROUND THE PARISH - RECRUITMENT

We are in need of volunteers for the following Ministries. If you can render your assistance, please approach any of the Ministry members or you can leave your contact at the Welcome Desk.

## Audio Visual Aids (AVA) Ministry

AVA  
MINISTRY

JOIN US TODAY!!!

- Provide support for Weekly & Ad Hoc Masses
- Operate equipment during Masses
- Prepare slides for Masses

Interested? Head to the AV Console (behind the Choir) to Apply!

As we increase our activities in Church, we also need more AVA members to assist with the Masses and Weddings.

Please approach the AVA team for more information.

## Little Praisers



The Little Praisers children’s choir is recruiting! We invite children aged 6-11 who are interested in singing to join us. Please contact Simon @ 91396399.

We are also recruiting volunteers to help out in the choir either in musical development or provide supervisory support

## Social Media Marketing

**volunteers needed**

**social media  
marketing**

drop by the welcome desk for more info or email [sjcbt.pastoral@catholic.org.sg](mailto:sjcbt.pastoral@catholic.org.sg)



The Parish Office is looking for creative volunteers to help enhance our parish's online and social media presence.

If you feel you can contribute, please drop by the Welcome Desk to gather more information.

Easter Reflection Booklets



The Office for the New Evangelisation (ONE) has launched their Easter Reflection Booklet. Let us delve deeper into the Word this Easter season and Witness a New Life in Christ! Scan the QR code <insert QR code> or visit [bit.ly/ONE-Easter-2024](https://bit.ly/ONE-Easter-2024) to download the booklet today.

Operating Hours

Entity	Closed On	Open On
Media Centre (Bookshop)	30 & 31 March : Easter Sunday Weekend	28 March : Maundy Thursday (from 4.00 pm – 12 midnight)
Canteen	Sun 31 March	
Parish Office	29 Mar : Good Friday	

Canteen

Our Canteen is currently sustained by several Ministries who volunteer their time to operate the Canteen on a rotational basis.

However, we are still in need of one more group who can help to operate the Canteen once every quarter. If you can assist, please contact Joseph Fang at 9040 7317.

In the meantime, this Sun 24 Mar, our Canteen will operate on a self-service mode. We will cater packets of cooked food which parishioners can purchase and drop their donations into the love offering box provided.

We seek your understanding and support in this regard.





# PIETA Singapore



PIETA is a support group for bereaved parents who have united in faith to seek God's comfort, wisdom and hope. 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 26 Mar 2024

Time : 7:30pm to 9:15pm

Please email: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

## Little Shepherds' Schoolhouse



Little Shepherds' Schoolhouse  
**REGISTRATION  
FOR 2024**  
IS OPEN!

**LSS @ St  
Joseph Church  
(Bukit Timah)**  
600 Upper Bukit  
Timah Rd,  
Singapore 679331

**Every child  
is a joyful  
learner**





**Visit Website**  
[littleshepherdsschoolhouse.edu.sg/our-centers](https://littleshepherdsschoolhouse.edu.sg/our-centers)

**For enquiries:**  
Call: +65 6760 1301  
Email: [enquiries@catholicpreschool.edu.sg](mailto:enquiries@catholicpreschool.edu.sg)

Registration for Little Shepherds' Schoolhouse @St Joseph Church is now open!

Enrolment is open for children aged 18 months to 6 years old.

For more information about their programmes, curriculum, school fees, and enrolment process, please visit the website at <https://littleshepherdsschoolhouse.edu.sg/> or contact the school's office at 6760 1301.

Join us for a joyful preschool journey filled with learning and fun activities for your little ones!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Armour of God Retreat (6 – 7 Apr)

EPHESIANS 6: 10-17: ARMOUR OF GOD RETREAT  
(EPH6)

**Date & Time:** 6 – 7 April 2024

**Mode:** In-person 2D/1N Stay-in Retreat

**Address:** St. Francis Xavier  
Retreat Centre, 199 Punggol  
Seventeenth Ave

**Cost:** \$320/- (en suite single-room & meals included)



**Register at:** [www.catholicleader.sg](http://www.catholicleader.sg)



CATHOLIC  
LEADERSHIP  
CENTRE

Lead Like Jesus (13 & 20 Apr)

LEAD LIKE JESUS (LLJ)

**Date:** 13 & 20 Apr 2024

**Time:** 9am - 5:30pm

**Venue:** Agape Village,  
7A Lor 8 Toa Payoh, MPR1, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

**Cost:** \$200/- (lunch & tea breaks  
for 2 days & workbook included)



**Register at:** [www.catholicleader.sg](http://www.catholicleader.sg)



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LEADERSHIP  
CENTRE



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FOR YOUNG ADULTS**  
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REGISTRATION is required:  
<https://forms.gle/CS3ZdtP9yogD3kZy7>  
or [verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg](mailto:verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg)

**10TH APRIL, WEDNESDAY (PUBLIC HOLDS)**  
**3 PM TO 5 PM (TEA INCLUDED)**  
**THE VERBUM DEI MISSIONARIES' HOUSE**  
**4 SOMMERVILLE ROAD SINGAPORE 358228.**



WINE Conference (12 – 13 Apr)

**2024 New Wine  
Parish Conference**



**12 APRIL 2024**  
(7.30PM TO 9.30PM)  
**13 APRIL 2024**  
(9.30AM TO 4.00PM)

Unlocking Heartfelt Hospitality in Your Parish

**2024 New Wine Parish Conference**

The Welcome –
Unlocking Heartfelt Hospitality in your Parish
12 Apr (Fri), 7.30pm to 9.30pm
13 Apr (Sat), 9.30am to 4.00pm
SFX Seminary Building
\$28 – Individual / \$88 - Group of 4

Registration details : [www.bit.ly/newwine2024](http://www.bit.ly/newwine2024)



AT THE FEET OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD RETREAT (FGS)

27 - 28 April 2024 OR

29 - 30 June 2024

St. Francis Xavier Retreat Centre,  
199 Punggol 17th Ave

\$300/- (ensuite single-room &  
meals included)



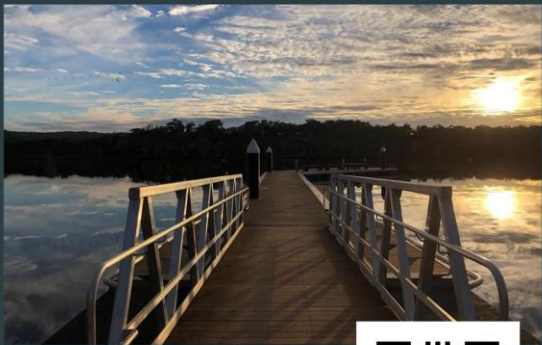
Register at: [www.catholicleader.sg](http://www.catholicleader.sg)

BUILDING TRUST (TRU)

4 May 2024, 9.30am - 3:30pm

Agape Village, 7A Lor 8  
Toa Payoh, MPR1 (#03-09)

\$100/- (lunch included)



Register at: [www.catholicleader.sg](http://www.catholicleader.sg)

Marriage Encounter



# LISTEN CONNECT RENEW

at the **ME** Weekend

The Marriage Encounter Weekend is a stay-in experience that provides married couples the ideal opportunity to listen, share and connect more deeply with each other. It helps to greatly improve communication and renew the loving feelings they have for each other.



Scan to book your  
ME Weekend with us

Or

Call Reenie at  
9670 5390

Upcoming :  
Weekends  
(Open for booking)

Apr 5-7;    May 31-Jun 2;    Aug 2-4    : English  
Apr 19-21;    Aug 16-18    : Bahasa Indonesia  
Mar 15-17;    Sep 20-22    : Mandarin

Good marriages can always be made better! To deepen your couple relationship, do sign up for a Marriage Encounter Weekend scheduled for April 5 to 7, May 31 to Jun 2, and August 2 to 4 by contacting Reenie at 9676 7889 or email at [mewkend@gmail.com](mailto:mewkend@gmail.com) or scan the QR code to book your weekend with your spouse."

Marriage Preparation Courses



This course, spanning over 6 half-day sessions on weekends, is designed to help couples build strong foundation for a lasting fulfilling marriage.

Upcoming MPC Sessions

**Q3: 21 Jul to 25 Aug 2024**

or

**Q4: 29 Sep to 10 Nov 2024**

Scan to  
Register!



For more details visit  
[www.mpcsingapore.com](http://www.mpcsingapore.com)



Couples intending to celebrate your union in the Catholic Church are encouraged to attend MPC as early as possible before your wedding date

# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## An Ignatian Retreat

An individually-guided silent retreat with daily spiritual direction, Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. Set on a small island, away from the business of city life. Come as you are to encounter the Lord.

7-day Retreat: 29 August – 6 September 2024

5-day Retreat: 31 August – 6 September 2024

Dates include travelling time

Venue: Xavier House, Cheung Chau island, Hong Kong

For enquiries, email Jacinta Teo or Sister Cecily at [anchoredinchristsg@gmail.com](mailto:anchoredinchristsg@gmail.com)

More information and registration at [tinyurl.com/XH2024](https://tinyurl.com/XH2024)



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