



# St Joseph's Church

## (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 29 June 2025 • Sts Peter & Paul (Year C)

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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

### Peter's Pence

PETER'S PENCE DAYS



“

Together, we must look for ways to be a **missionary Church**, a Church that builds **bridges** and encourages **dialogue**, a Church ever open to **welcoming** like this Square with its **open arms**

Leo P.P. XIV

”

On June 29 – which this year falls on the last Sunday of June – the Church celebrates the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. On this occasion, the traditional Peter's Pence collection takes place. This is a concrete way for the faithful to support the Holy Father in his mission of service to the universal Church.

Peter's Pence is a gesture of communion and participation in the Pope's mission to proclaim the Gospel, promote peace, and spread Christian charity.

All Mass collections this weekend will go towards supporting the Pope in his mission and his charitable works. Please give generously.

### Priests on Retreat (Mon 30 Jun – Fri 4 Jul)

Date	Time	Venue	Event
Mon 30 Jun	6.30 am	Chapel of St Joseph	Morning Weekday Mass
Mon 30 Jun – Fri 04 Jul	6.30 pm – 6.30 am	Chapel of St Joseph	Communion Services
Fri 04 Jul	7.30 pm	Main Church	First Friday Mass & Holy Hour

On Wed 02 Jul, the St Joseph Rosary will be recited at 5.50 pm in the Chapel of St Joseph in place of the Marian Rosary.

### July is Bible Month



**JULY IS BIBLE MONTH!**

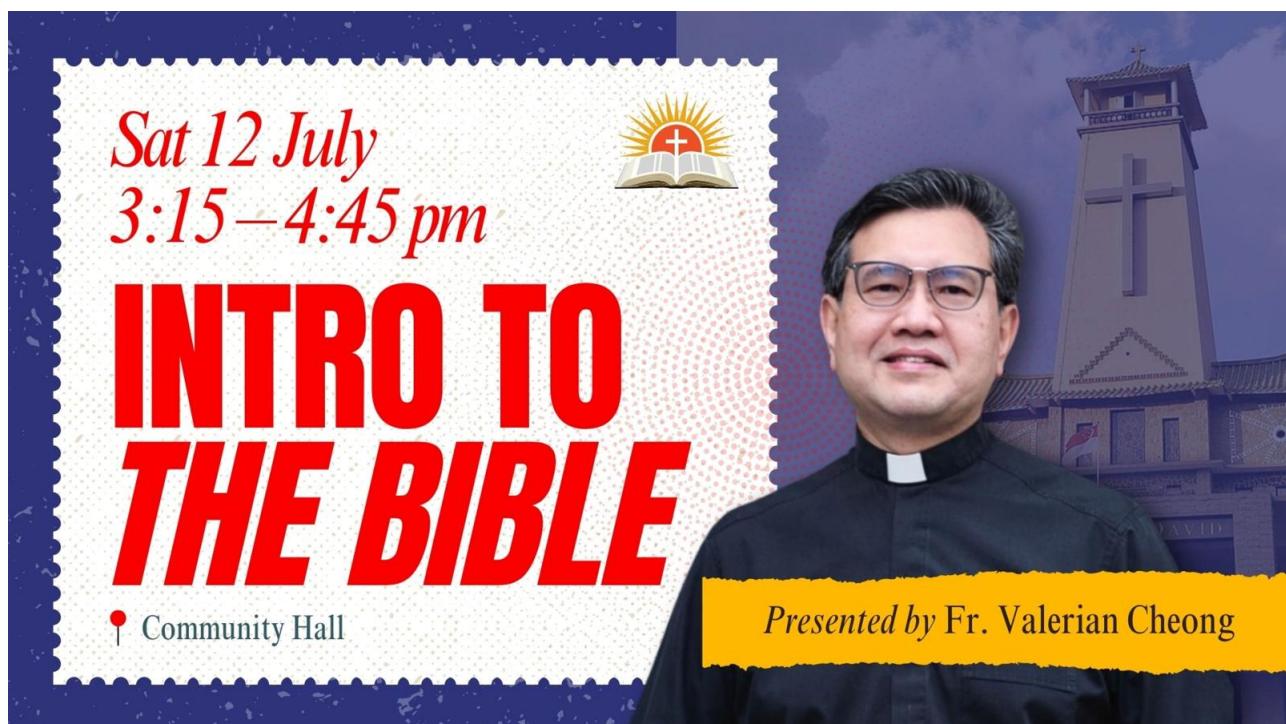
**sjcbtpastoral@catholic.org.sg**

- ✓ **Intro to the Bible (Fr Valerian Cheong), Sat 12 July 3.15pm**
- ✓ **Bible Fair, Sat 12 July & Sun 13 July**
- ✓ **How to Pray with the Bible, Sat 19 July 3.30pm**
- ✓ **Art & Faith Talk: Gospel of Luke, Sat 26 July 3.15pm**
- ✓ **Bible-based Sharing: Sun 13, 20, 27 July after 11.30am Mass**
- ✓ **Bible Events for Children and Youth during Catechesis**

This July, we're diving into the heart of our faith – the Bible! Join us for a month-long celebration of Scripture, reflection, and community. We have planned a range of exciting activities for all ages, so mark your calendars and join in!

Whether you're a seasoned Bible scholar or just starting out, there's something for everyone. Come and rediscover the power of God's Word, connect with fellow believers, and grow in your faith.

Kick-starting the events is a talk by Fr Valerian Cheong, Rector of St Francis Xavier Major Seminary. This will be held in conjunction with a Bible Fair by the Media Centre.

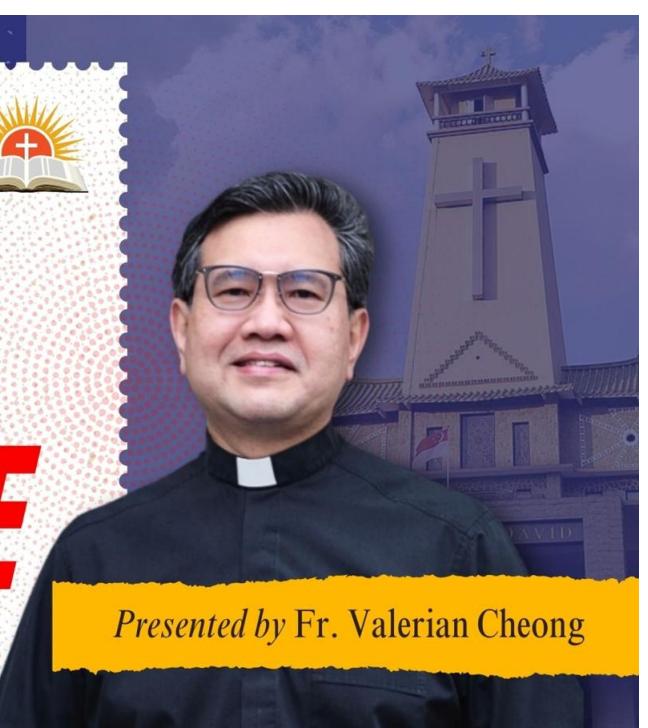


**Sat 12 July**  
**3:15–4:45 pm**

**INTRO TO  
THE BIBLE**

Community Hall

Presented by Fr. Valerian Cheong



July is Bible Month (cont'd)



Come and discover the various types of Bibles that the Media Centre carries.

The Media Centre will also hold a Mid-Year Sale with discounts up to 70%.



## Mid-Year **SALE** Sat 12 & Sun 13 July

The Media Centre is offering discounts of up to 70% off on selected titles, including thought-provoking works by Fulton Sheen, Mother Teresa, and Pope Francis. These books may look vintage, but their messages remain profoundly relevant.

Plus, snag our CDs and DVDs for just \$1 each! Don't miss out on this amazing opportunity to build your library and enrich your mind and spirit.

July is Bible Month (cont'd)

After the 11.30 am Mass, join the Faith & Bible Community as they reflect on the Sunday Scripture.

*Sundays 13, 20 & 27 July after 11:30 am Mass*



# BIBLE REFLECTION & SHARING

📍 #02-01 Parish Community Hall Building

With the FAITH & BIBLE  
REFLECTIONS community



On Sat 19 Jul, come and discover how to pray with the bible using Visio Divina, Lectio Divina and Ignatian Contemplation. This session will be facilitated by Jane Lau.

Do bring along your bibles.

*Sat 19 July  
3:30–4:40pm*



# HOW TO PRAY WITH THE BIBLE

📍 Parish Community Hall

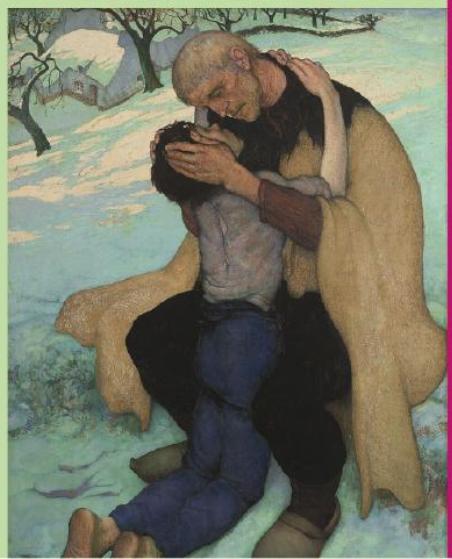
July is Bible Month (cont'd)

**AN ART & FAITH TALK  
IN CONJUNCTION WITH JULY BIBLE MONTH**

**Discover key  
themes in the  
Gospel  
of Luke  
through  
works of art.**

*In this year we read from the  
Gospel of Luke at Sunday liturgies.*

**Sat 26th July 2025 3.00–5.00pm  
St Joseph's Church (BT)  
St Joseph AVA Room  
Speaker: Patricia Tan**



Join Patricia Tan as she dives into the key themes in the Gospel of Luke through works of art. A talk not to be missed.

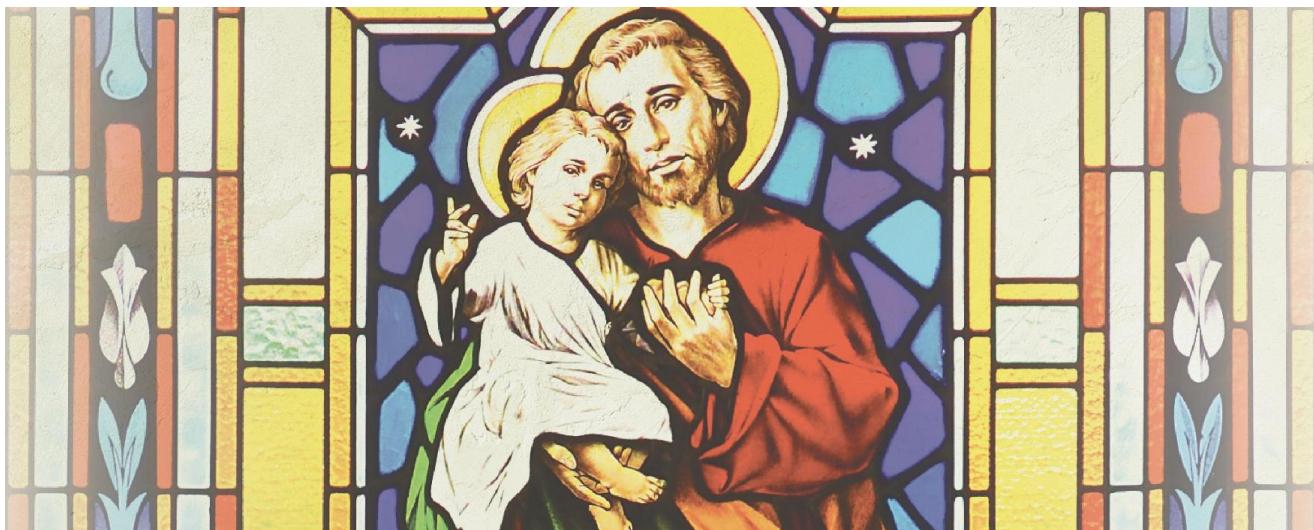
**For Children and Youth**

There will also be exclusive activities planned for our children taking catechism and the Youth in our community.

Come and grow your faith by participating in these activities specially planned with you in mind.



## Preparation for Consecration to St Joseph



# PREPARATION FOR CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

Total consecration to St. Joseph is a formal act of filial entrustment to him as our spiritual father so that he can take care of our spiritual well-being and lead us to God. The act of consecration of oneself to St. Joseph reveals that we give our hearts to Joseph, so that uniting our hearts to that of St. Joseph will teach us how to love Jesus totally with a father's heart. This preparation programme is modelled and adapted from St. Louis Marie de Montfort's tried-and-tested 33-day preparation method in his Marian consecration. The end goal of all devotion and consecration is the total giving of oneself to Jesus Christ.

## SESSIONS

SATURDAY, 10 AM - 12 PM

- 16, 23, 30 AUGUST 2025
- 6, 13, 20, 27 SEPTEMBER 2025
- 4, 11, 25 OCTOBER 2025
- 8, 15, 22, 29 NOVEMBER 2025
- 6, 13, 20 DECEMBER 2025
- 3, 10 JANUARY 2026

## RECOLLECTION

IN PREPARATION FOR

CONSECRATION

17 JANUARY 2026

## CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

FEAST OF THE ESPOUSAL OF  
OUR LADY & ST. JOSEPH

23 JANUARY 2026

REGISTER HERE

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ALL FOR GOD ALONE



### Helpers Needed for Kids Bible Camp 2025

# KIDS BIBLE CAMP 2025!

## HELPERS NEEDED!



Come and help:

- Activity Station ICs
- Administration & Logistics
- Group Guides
- Drama & Worship
- Priority registration for all helpers who volunteer for 2 days or more

6 to 9 September  
(September School Holidays)



Adult and Youth Helpers (Sec 1 and above) needed for the Kids Bible Camp in September! Come and help with games, art and craft, songs and drama and more! Sign up at: [Http://tinyurl.com/KBC25Helper](http://tinyurl.com/KBC25Helper)

### Ananias Training

## ANANIAS TRAINING

### LEARN THE ART OF ACCOMPANIMENT

#### Travelling with Others the Discipleship Path

- Are you currently accompanying others on their spiritual journey?
- Do you feel called to journey with others spiritually?
- Do you have a heart for others?
- Can you listen to others with patience and compassion, and without judgement?



If so, join us for the Ananias Training to learn more about the 'art of accompaniment' and see where God may be calling you. Ananias Training is a 17-hour process structured in six sessions, designed to form parishioners with no previous training in "the art of spiritual accompaniment."

**Dates: July 5, 19, Aug 2, 16, 31, Sep 6 2025**

**Venue: St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)**

**Cost: \$35/- for workbook and materials**

Register at [tinyurl.com/Ananias2](http://tinyurl.com/Ananias2)

Would you like to help others grow closer to God? Sign up for the Ananias Training which will help you better understand the thresholds of faith others are at so that you can better accompany them.

Sign up at [tinyurl.com/Ananias2](http://tinyurl.com/Ananias2)

### RCIA – New Journey

## Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) *A new journey begins...*



#### English RCIA

Commencing : Mon 30 June  
Time : 8 pm – 9.45 pm  
Venue : St Joseph AVA Room

#### Chinese RCIA

Commencing : Thurs 10 July  
Time : 7.45 pm – 9.45 pm  
Venue : St Joseph AVA Room.

Do note that RCIA is for non-Catholics only.

To register,

English RCIA : go to the Church website <https://stjoseph-bt.org.sg/services> and scroll down to RCIA and download the registration forms.  
Chinese RCIA : please call Eileen @ 9452 4234 or Audrey @ 9154 7689

### Scripture Series with Fr Ambrose Vaz (Thu 19 June)

## Scripture Series : Part X – Book of Maccabees 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 : May : 15 / 22  
Jun : 05 / 12 / 19 / 26  
Aug : 07 / 14 / 21 / 28  
Sep : 04 / 18 / 25  
Oct : 02 / 09 (15 sessions)

No registration required. All are welcome.

Do bring along your bibles.



St Margaret Mary Alacoque (Sat 28 Jun)



## June: Month of Sacred Heart



Screening on Sat 28 Jun, 7.15-8.15pm at St Joseph's AVA room. Scan QR code to register.

<https://tinyurl.com/SJCFFSacredHeart>

# St. Margaret Mary Alacoque

Margaret Mary Alacoque VHM was a French Visitation nun and mystic who promoted devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Come and watch the screening a 30min video on St Margaret Mary followed by Prayer & devotion.

First Friday Mass and Holy Hour (Fri 04 Jul)

# FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

Praying as Pilgrims of Hope



**Mass: 7.30 pm followed by Holy Hour**

**Friday 04 July 2025**

**Theme : The Eucharist**

**Speaker : Fr Joseph Zhang**



## AROUND THE PARISH

### Intercessory Prayers (Wed 9 Jul @ 8 pm)

*First of all, i urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving should be made for everyone*

Come and join us for our monthly intercessory prayer session @ Adoration Room

**Time: 8:00-9:00PM**

**9<sup>th</sup> of July 2025**

**(Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month)**



*Scan the QR code to join!*

We will be praying for the needs of the families through chaplet of the precious blood of jesus  
*Let us come before the lord to pray for the needs of others and for our own needs*

### Young Adults: Faith, Work, Life - Finding the Balance (Sun 13 Jul)

CALLING ALL YOUNG WORKING CATHOLICS



**FAITH, WORK, LIFE -  
FINDING THE BALANCE**

**DATE: SUNDAY, 13 JULY**

**TIME: 3:00 – 5:00 PM**

**SPEAKER: FR TERENCE KESAVAN,  
CATECHETICAL DIRECTOR AND FORMATOR, ST  
FRANCIS XAVIER SEMINARY**

**VENUE: INORI JAPANESE DINING, 618 UPPER  
BUKIT TIMAH RD, B01-02, SFX SEMINARY, S678214**

**FEE: \$12 (INCLUDES  
BEVERAGES & FINGER FOOD)**

RSVP HERE: [HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/YWCBALANCE](https://tinyurl.com/YWCBALANCE)

How do we live out our Catholic faith amid deadlines, decisions, and daily demands? If you're a Catholic in your 20s or 30s, come join other young working Catholics for a refreshing afternoon of discussion and fellowship with Fr Terence Kesavan.



If you are a Young Working Catholic, you're warmly invited to an afternoon of discussion, food and fellowship with clergy and fellow young Catholics. Please register by June 30:  
<https://tinyurl.com/YWCBalance>

## Prayer thru Music (Fri 25 Jul @ 8 pm)



### Prayer thru Music ©

(brought to you by SAHOP)



JUBILEE 2025

Pilgrims of Hope in Community

- ❖ Praise & Worship
- ❖ Scripture Reading
- ❖ Intercessory Prayers
- ❖ Spiritual Talk
- ❖ Community Bonding



e-mail: sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com

### The Spiritual Impact of Congregational Singing during Mass



Rev Fr Christopher Lee

(Parish Priest - SJCBT)

**25 July 2025 (Friday) 8PM @ Level 3, St Mary, AVA Room  
Parish Community Hall**

## Infant Baptism

### 2025 Infant Baptism Schedule

- Parents seeking Baptism for their infant or child, please visit our website: St. Joseph's Church, Bukit Timah.
- Please download the 'Infant Baptism Registration' form (located under Services>Sacraments>Baptism) and submit the completed form along with the relevant documents to the Parish Secretary at : sjcbt.secretariat@catholic.org.sg



RITE OF BAPTISM @ 1:30PM	PREPARATION SESSION 1 @1:30PM (Zoom) For parents and godparent	PREPARATION SESSION 2 @1:30PM (St Joseph AVA Room) For parents and godparent	CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION:
5 OCTOBER 9 NOVEMBER	7 SEPTEMBER 2025	28 SEPTEMBER 2025	15 AUGUST 2025

Please note the schedule for Infant Baptism for the second half of the year. Deadline for registration for both dates is 15 August.



FOR COUPLES    TICKETS: \$16/PAX

## BULLETPROOF YOUR MARRIAGE

- 📅 4 July 2025 (Friday)
- 🕒 8.00pm - 10.00pm
- 📍 Church of the Holy Spirit

FOR YOUNG ADULTS    TICKETS: \$12/PAX

## A CATHOLIC GUIDE TO ADULTING

- 📅 5 July 2025 (Saturday)
- 🕒 8.00pm - 10.00pm
- 📍 Church of the Holy Spirit

Paul J. Kim is a highly sought-after Catholic speaker known for his dynamic, engaging presentations that blend music, comedy, and inspiration. Over the past decade, he has reached audiences of all ages across the USA and 16 countries, moving listeners from laughter to deep reflection as he shares the Gospel in a powerful and transformative way.

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## A Spring Day for Our Dis-ease: Spirituality for Busy People (5 – 6 Jul)



**"Is this all there is to life?"**

Maybe you've been running on autopilot—keeping up, pushing through—but something still feels... missing. What if the answer isn't in doing more, but in slowing down? This weekend retreat offers a sacred pause. Discover the peace that your heart longs for.

**"A Spring Day for Our Dis-ease:"**  
**Spirituality for Busy People**  
**5-6 July 2025**

And yes, if the title sounds familiar—it's inspired by BTS. But you don't need to be a fan to join!

This retreat flows from a key Ignatian principle that God is present in all things—even in pop culture. With an open heart and a sincere desire to listen to God, come see what God is inviting you to.



Maybe you've been running on autopilot—keeping up, pushing through—but something still feels... missing. What if the answer isn't in doing more, but in slowing down?

In a world obsessed with hustle and high efficiency, this weekend retreat offers a sacred pause. Through stillness, silence, and solitude, discover the peace that your heart longs for.

## Blessed Beginnings (12 Jul & 19 Jul)



# BLESSED Beginnings

Wondering how to embrace parenthood with *love and grace*?

Discover the beauty of childbirth, breastfeeding, and shared parenting through love and faith!


**SESSION 1**  
12 July 2025, Saturday  
(9.30am - 12.00pm)

**SESSION 2**  
19 July 2025, Saturday  
(9.30am - 12.30pm)

📍 Church of St. Ignatius, Annexe Hall  
❤️ \$40 per pax / \$70 per couple

*Register here:*  
[bit.ly/BlessedBg\\_Reg](http://bit.ly/BlessedBg_Reg)



Calling all expectant and new parents! Join us for a two-part, faith-based workshop designed to prepare you for the beautiful journey ahead, rooted in Catholic teachings and focused on childbirth, breastfeeding, and the sacred vocation of parenting.

## Be Encouraged (Fri 18 Jul – Sun 20 Jul)

### Be Encouraged



If you are a parent or loved one of someone who is same sex attracted or identifies as LGBTQ, the EnCourage community invites you to come away to pray and reflect on how you are called to love and accompany them as God does.

**Dates: Fri 18 July (evening) to Sun 20 July (afternoon)**

**Venue: Lifesprings Canossian Spirituality Centre**

To register, scan QR code or visit <https://tinyurl.com/5byrvzka>

Closing date: 10 July. Spaces are limited.

EnCourage is a Roman Catholic apostolate that provides pastoral & spiritual support for parents & family members of loved ones who are same-sex attracted or identify as LGBTQ.



Providing care for men & women experiencing same sex attraction to know God's love & support for loved ones accompanying LGBTQ persons to keep their faith & family



## Catholic Nurses & Healthcare Professionals Annual Celebration (Sun 03 Aug)

### Catholic Nurses' & Healthcare Professionals for the Annual Celebration

**Venue: Church of the Blessed Sacrament**

**1 Commonwealth Drive, Singapore 149603**

**Date: Sunday 3rd August 2025**

**Time: 5.30 pm (Eucharist & Blessing of Hands)  
2:30 pm – Bi-Annual Meeting  
(Election of New Office-Bearers)**

**Followed by Buffet Dinner**

Join us!



**A special celebration for Catholic nurses and healthcare professionals.  
Come and be renewed in faith, fellowship, and purpose.**

**Please scan to register early to secure your place!**



Praying our Crossroads (9 – 10 Aug)

# PRAYING OUR CROSSROADS: A LIFE DIRECTION RETREAT

SFX Retreat House  
9-10 August, 2025



Are you at a crossroads in  
this season of your life?

Embrace this opportunity  
to recharge, reflect, pray,  
discern and redefine your  
life's direction.



 A Cenacle  
Programme

## God Money & Me

**GOD**  
Money & Me

**Want to honour God with your finances?**  
**Join God, Money & Me and learn how to manage  
your spending, savings & investments  
with faith at the centre!**

**Jul 2025:  
Pre-course prep (self-paced)**

**16 Aug to 13 Sep 2025:  
5 Saturday mornings (9.00am - 1.30pm)**

**at Church of the Holy Family**



Scan to sign up or visit: [www.catholicfoundation.sg/god-money-and-me](http://www.catholicfoundation.sg/god-money-and-me)

**CATHOLIC  
FOUNDATION**

Difficult Leadership Conversation (Sat 16 Aug)

## DIFFICULT LEADERSHIP CONVERSATIONS (DLC)

Sat 16 August 2025

9.30am – 3.30pm

Agape Village, 7A Lor 8 Toa Payoh

\$150/- (lunch & GST included)



CATHOLIC  
LEADERSHIP  
CENTRE

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

Belovedness (23 – 24 Aug)

## “I am God’s First Love”: *Praying Our Belovedness*

This retreat is a journey of coming home to the reality of the First Love in our lives; that Love that has existed from eternity and abides for eternity. It is an invitation to reclaim the truth of our Belovedness.



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SFX Retreat Center,  
23-24 August, 2025

Developing A Discerning Heart (Sat 30 Aug)

## DEVELOPING A DISCERNING HEART (DDH)

Sat 30 Aug 2025 (1st of 4 parts)

9.00am – 5.00pm

Kingsmead Centre, 8 Victoria Park Rd

\$250/- (lunch & GST included)



CATHOLIC  
LEADERSHIP  
CENTRE



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

### Renew, Reignite & Rediscover (11 – 14 Sept)

## Renew, Reignite & Rediscover

Cenacle Beach Retreat @Bintan  
11-14 September, 2025

A time of **rest**,  
**self-discovery**,  
and **spiritual growth**.



THE CENACLE  
SISTERS



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The  
Jesuits

This retreat, guided by Sr. Kriz, RC and Fr. Jerome SJ, is designed to help participants deepen their relationship with the self, others and God. Through an arrangement of rest, simple leisure activities, prayer and reflection, we hope to provide a safe space for self-discovery, self-acceptance and emotional growth as we evaluate: Why do I do the things I do?

Due to peak season (school holidays), we need to confirm registrations early for accommodation and ferry arrangements.

## Marriage Preparation Courses (3Q)



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

**2025 DATES**  
Q1 09 Feb - 16 Mar  
Q2 04 May - 08 Jun  
Q3 20 Jul - 31 Aug  
Q4 05 Oct - 09 Nov

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

For more info : [www.mpcsgapore.com](http://www.mpcsgapore.com)



## Landings



**Feeling distant from your faith?  
You're not alone. Reconnect with  
peace, purpose, and community**

In our 10-week journey back to the heart of Catholicism. Explore your questions, rediscover the sacraments, and find belonging in a safe, nonjudgmental space. No pressure—just open hearts and open doors. Your journey home starts here

[landings.org.sg](http://landings.org.sg)



## Catholic Foundation Dinner 2025 (Wed 22 Oct)

### CATHOLIC FOUNDATION DINNER 2025

HOSTED BY HIS EMINENCE,  
CARDINAL WILLIAM GOH



Date: Wednesday, 22 October 2025  
Time: 5:30pm Cocktails & FaithWorks Art Exhibition  
7:00pm Dinner Reception  
Venue: The Fullerton Hotel

*The dinner is fully sponsored. All proceeds from table sales and contributions go towards building the Catholic Hub.*

To purchase a table or for more information, scan the QR code or visit:

[catholicfoundation.sg  
/cfdinner](http://catholicfoundation.sg/cfdinner)

### BUILDING THE CHURCH TODAY FOR TOMORROW

## Catholic Prayer Society Lunchtime Masses

### *Lunchtime Mass in the City*



Wednesdays @ 12.15pm

(Commencing on 14th May 2025)  
International Plaza 10 Anson Road  
#31-06 Only U Space

Medical Alumni Association,  
2 College Rd, Level 1 Theatrette

Fridays @12.15pm

ORQ BUILDING, Level 49,  
North Tower, One Raffles Quay



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