



St Joseph's Church

(Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 27 July 2025 • 17th Sunday Ordinary Time (Year C)

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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

World Day of Grandparents & Elderly



**2025 WORLD
GRANDPARENTS
& ELDERLY DAY:
SUNDAY 27 JULY**

**“BLESSED ARE
THOSE WHO HAVE
NOT LOST HOPE”
(CF. SIR 14:2)
POPE LEO XVI**

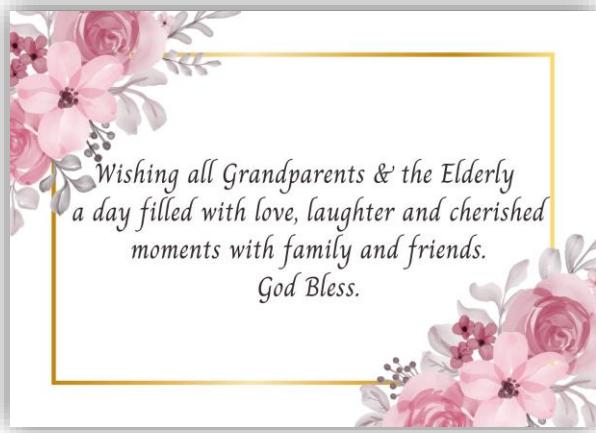


Since 2021, the World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly has been celebrated on every fourth Sunday of July, around the liturgical commemoration of Saints Joachim and Anne, Jesus' "grandparents."

The Pope's message for the 5th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is titled "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (cf. Sir 14:2). Hope is a constant source of joy, whatever our age.

The elderly are guardians of hope and play a vital role in God's plan, even in the midst of fragility. Pope Leo emphasizes the importance of intergenerational connections and care for the elderly.

It is a reminder for us to honour the wisdom, love, and legacy of our grandparents and elderly. They are the keepers of family traditions, the sharers of life experiences, and the pillars of strength in our lives. Let us take a moment to appreciate their selfless devotion, their guidance, and their unwavering support.



Art & Faith Talk on the Gospel of Luke (Sat 26 Jul)

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 St Joseph's Church (BT) Speaker:
3.00-5.00pm St Joseph AVA Room 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.

Bible Reflection & Sharing (Sun 27 Jul)

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



BIBLE REFLECTION & SHARING

• #02-01 Parish Community Hall Building

With the FAITH & BIBLE RELECTIONS community

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

SSVP Outreach Roadshow (Sat 26 & Sun 27 Jul in St Joachim Room)

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE OF ST JOACHIM



SSVP befriend and serve Christ
in the poor and marginalised;
You too can make a difference.

Go to the poor, you will find God. – St Vincent De Paul

Do you know of anyone
who needs help?



Scan QR code to know more

Email us at stjoa@ssvpsingapore.org or
you may leave your name & contact at St Joseph's Church Parish Office

Join us at the SSVP Outreach Roadshow to learn how you can make a difference.

Discover: Our mission and activities

Enjoy: Informative posters and videos & chat with SSVP members

Exclusive Rosaries and pearl necklaces for your donations

(all proceeds benefit SSVP programmes for the poor)

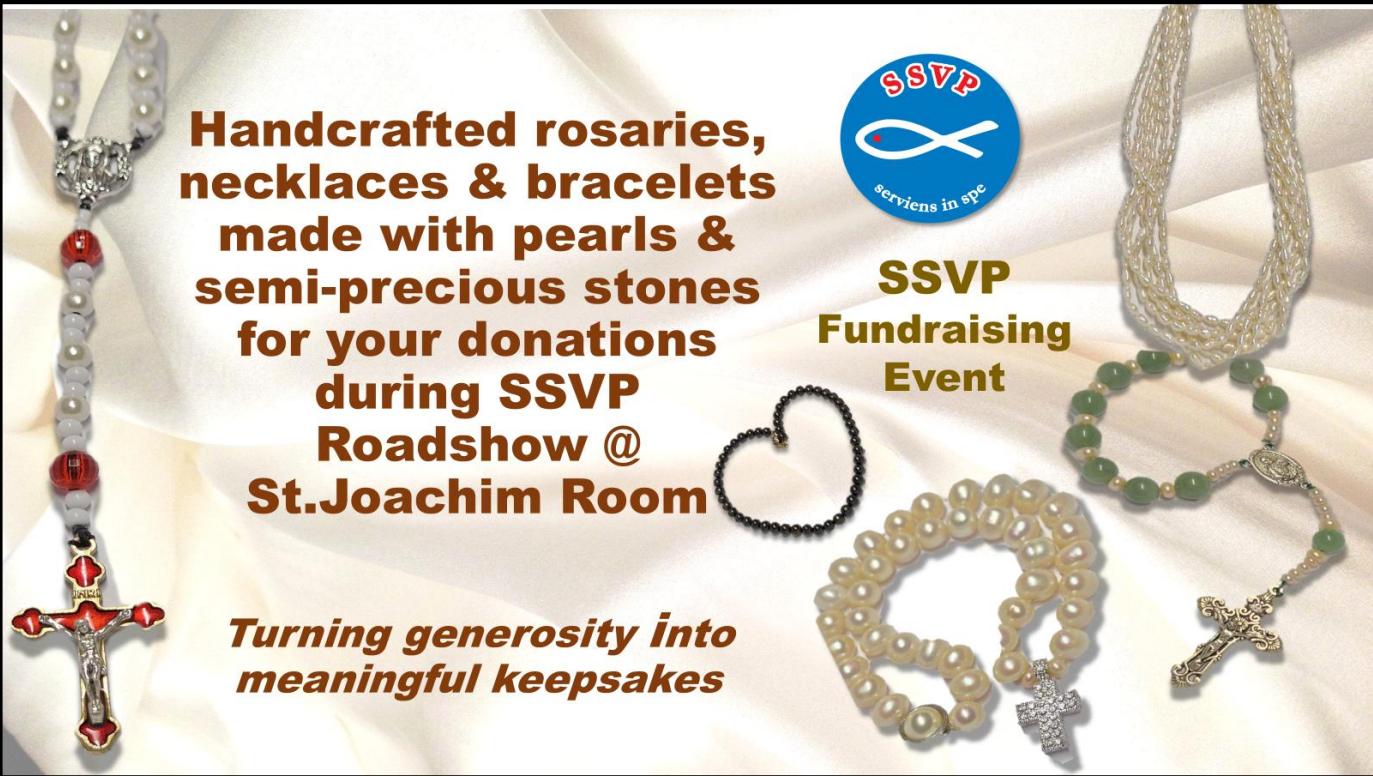
Your support can change lives. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Handcrafted rosaries,
necklaces & bracelets
made with pearls &
semi-precious stones
for your donations
during SSVP
Roadshow @
St.Joachim Room**

*Turning generosity into
meaningful keepsakes*



**SSVP
Fundraising
Event**



Break Open the Word (29,30 Jul)



OPEN THE WORD OF GOD

This July, as part of Bible Month, prepare for Mass by reading and reflecting on the Sunday Readings with the Faith & Bible Reflections Community.

Online via Zoom

- Tues 8.00pm – 9.45pm
- Wed 9.00am – 10.45am



Join their Whatsapp Community for more information: tinyurl.com/SJCBTFAB

First Friday Mass and Holy Hour (Fri 01 Aug)

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR



Praying as Pilgrims of Hope

Mass: 7.30 pm followed by Holy Hour

Friday 01 August 2025

Theme : The Assumption

Speaker : Bro John Albert



AROUND THE PARISH

Mom's Fellowship (Sat 2 Aug)



MOMS' FELLOWSHIP

Saturday 2 August, 3.15-4.45pm

#01-15, St Albert the Great room

Topic: 'Marriage - Transformed by Grace'



Come and grow in faith together with fellow moms as we explore the transforming power of God's unconditional love and help find answers to life's biggest questions.

All mothers are warmly invited to our next Moms' Fellowship on Saturday 2nd August 3.15-4.45pm at room 01-15 in the Community Hall Building. Using the series "Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point", explore the transforming power of God's unconditional love and help find answers to life's biggest questions through the context of the Catholic faith. Join the Moms' Fellowship Whatsapp chat here: tinyurl.com/SJCBTMothers

Kids Bible Camp – Registration closes 3 Aug

For P1 to P5

Kids Bible Camp 2025!

Learn more about your faith through fun activities!



- 6 to 9 Sep (school holidays)

- 4 x half-days

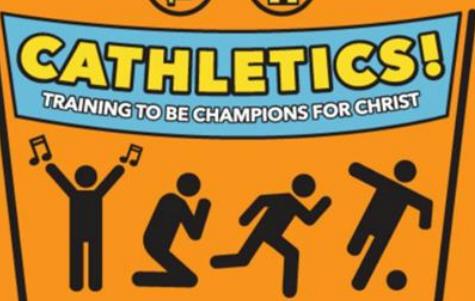
- St Joseph's Church (BT)

- Cost: \$40/-

*Financial aid available

- Register:

tinyurl.com/KBC25Reg



Registration is now open for all P1 to P5 children for the Kids Bible Camp 2025!

Register at: tinyurl.com/KBC25Reg

Closing date for registration: 3 August 2025

Tuesday Morning Manna (beginning Tue 5 Aug)



MYSTERIES of the ROSARY: The Glorious Mysteries (Part 2)

**An inspiring video series that helps us contemplate
the life of Jesus through Mary's eyes!**

- **Aug 5, 12, 19**
- **Tuesdays 11.05am - 12.15pm, St Joseph AVA Rm**

Presence – The Mystery of the Eucharist (commencing 5 Aug)

FAITH & BIBLE
REFLECTIONS

Presence™

THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST

- Tues 8-9.45pm or Wed 9-10.45am starting 5 Aug
- Online via Zoom



Although the Eucharist appears to be simple bread and wine, it is actually the "source and summit" of the Christian life. 'Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist' explores the Real Presence, from its origins in Sacred Scripture, to its profound role in the life of the Church and her members. Every Tuesday night or Wednesday morning Online via Zoom starting 5 August. Join the Faith & Bible Reflections Whatsapp Community for more information: tinyurl.com/SJCBTFAB

AROUND THE PARISH

First Wed Mass in Honour of St Joseph (Wed 06 Aug)



National Day Mass Timing (Sat 9 Aug)

Public Holiday : Mass Timing

Saturday 09 August
National Day
Mass Timing : 8 am
Main Church



Weekend Sunset Mass will continue as usual at 5.30 pm on Sat 09 August.

NCC (Sun 10 Aug / Sat 16 Aug)

NEIGHBOURHOOD CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY



MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

- Sun 10 August 10.45–12.15pm, #02-01
- Sat 16 August 3.15–4.45pm, #01-15

Come join us!



Come and get to know your Catholic Neighbours, join us for the next combined Neighbourhood Christian Community meeting! Please join our Whatsapp Community for more details: tinyurl.com/SJCBTNCC

Intercessory Prayers (Wed 13 Aug @ 8 pm)

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving should be made for everyone

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

Time: 8.00 – 9.00pm
Every 2nd Wednesday of the month
13th August 2025



Scan the QR Code to join!

Let us come before the Lord to pray for the needs of others and for our own needs
Join us as we will be praying for specific intentions under the Queenship of Mary

Assumption of the BVM (Day of Obligation)

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Day of Obligation)

Mass Timings

Thu 14 Aug : 8.00 pm
(No 6.30 pm Mass)

Fri 15 Aug :
6.30 am / 12.30 pm
/ 6.30 pm / 8.30 pm

Main Church



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The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory [Pius XII, Munificentissimus Deus 44].

Infant Baptism (Deadline for Registration : 15 Aug)

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.

Holy Hour for Vocations (Thu 21 Aug @ 8 pm)

Holy Hour for Vocations
Thu 21 Aug 2025
Time : 8 pm
Venue : Chapel of St Joseph

The seminarians from St Francis Xavier Major Seminary will be leading the Holy Hour every third Thursday of the month to pray for Vocations.

Please come and join them to pray for vocations to the priesthood!



Dads' Fellowship (Sat 30 Aug)

DADS' FELLOWSHIP

Saturday 30 August, 3.15-4.45pm
#01-15, St Albert the Great room

INTO THE BREACH
Groundbreaking video series
for Catholic men

Calling all fathers! Come and join the Dads' Fellowship on Saturday 30th August 3.15-4.45pm at room 01-15 in the Community Hall Building. Meet fellow dads and learn from "Into the Breach", the groundbreaking video series for Catholic men in today's world! For more info, join the Dads' Fellowship Whatsapp chat here: tinyurl.com/SJCBTFathers

Praying our Crossroads (9 – 10 Aug)

PRAYING OUR CROSSROADS: A LIFE DIRECTION RETREAT

SFX Retreat House
9-10 August, 2025

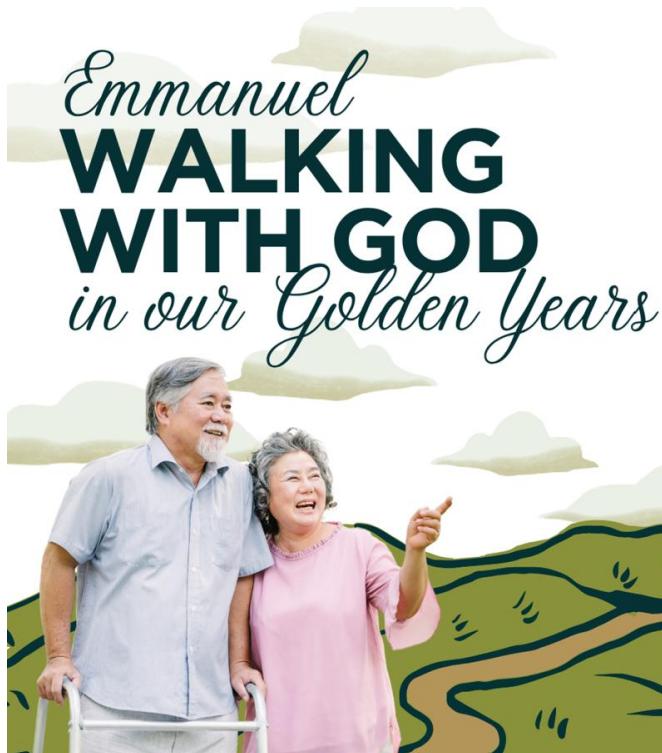
Are you at a crossroads in
this season of your life?

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



 A Cenacle
Programme

Emmanuel (Tue 12 Aug)



**Nearing retirement or already
navigating your golden years?**

Join us as we reflect on this life
stage with confidence and clarity.

SIGN UP HERE



[BIT.LY/EWWG_REG](https://bit.ly/EWWG_REG)

DATE

12 August 2025
(Tuesday)

TIME

4pm - 6pm

VENUE

Church of St
Bernadette
Multi-purpose Hall

Are you approaching retirement or already navigating the joys and challenges of your golden years? Join us for a meaningful time of reflection as we explore how to navigate this stage of life with confidence and clarity. We'll share practical tips for managing fears of growing old, rediscover our purpose and redefine priorities for a fulfilling journey ahead towards our final destination. All the while drawing encouragement from the truth that we are never alone, Emmanuel – God is with us.

Talk by Br. Collin Wee, FSC (Sat 16 Aug @ 9.30 am)

TALK BY BR. COLLIN WEE, FSC @ LASALLE HOUSE

 16 August, Sat, 9.30am

Re-Visioning Spiritual Direction in a Changing World

- Explore how spiritual direction differs from psychotherapy; how both intersect in care and growth.
- Gain insights on adapting social systems, observing change and the journey of self-transcendence — toward deeper autonomy, connection, and God.
- A thought-provoking session for those involved in care, ministry, and spiritual formation.



Scan to find out more/register:




La Salle Centre
Singapore

God Money & Me (16 Aug)


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

 CATHOLIC
FOUNDATION

Don't Waste a Good Fight (21 Aug)

DON'T WASTE A GOOD FIGHT



**Fights happen.
Even in strong marriages.**

Join us and learn how to **fight better, recover well, and grow stronger together.**

DATE 21 August 2025

TIME (Thursday)

8pm - 10pm

VENUE CANA,
The Catholic Centre
(St Mary's Room, L3)

SIGN UP HERE:



Catholic
Family Life

Vocation Retreat 2025 (22 – 24 Aug)

To God
a SON
With you
a BROTHER
For you
a PRIEST

SOURCE: CATHOLIC EXCHANGE

DIOCESAN VOCATION RETREAT 2025

Is your heart yearning for something more? Do you feel a hunger for souls?

Come and find out what your heart was made for!

Date: 22-24 Aug 2025*

Registration by 03 Aug:

<http://tiny.cc/vocation2025>

Venue: SFXMS

*For men aged 21-35



DIOCESAN VOCATION RETREAT 2025

Have you felt a desire to give more? Do you think the Lord may be inviting you to consider the diocesan priesthood? The St Francis Xavier Major Seminary invites all young men aged 21 to 35 for their annual Vocation Retreat happening from 22 to 24 August. Priority will be given to first timers. Please use the attached QR code or registration links to sign-up.

Intercession Retreat (23 – 24 Aug)

"For we do not know how we ought to pray, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groans too deep for words." -Romans 8:26-

Standing in the Gap in the Power of the Holy Spirit

TALKS • PRAYER SESSIONS • MASS

Conducted by CSC RETREAT TEAM • MASS by MSGR PETER ZHANG

Have you ever felt called to pray more deeply for others but didn't know how?

Do you sometimes feel helpless when those around you are suffering?

Is intercession the gift you've been given to bring change?



What IR#9 Retreatants said:

Empowering & inspiring. See the urgent need to pray & intercede.
-Geraldine

"Solid introduction to communal prayer & its importance"
-Dennis

**23-24
AUG
2025**
8.30am - 6.30pm

**IR
#10**

INTERCESSION RETREAT

A Weekend Retreat About Praying For Others



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Encountering God • Healing Hearts • Empowering Lives

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(9% GST Inc)

NON STAY-IN

REGISTRATION

OPENS 27 JUN '25

CLOSES 18 AUG '25

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.



A Cenacle
Programme

**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)



Register at: www.catholicleader.sg

Empowered Parents & Helpers (31 Aug)



IN COLLABORATION WITH
ACM
FAMILY TO MIGRANTS

Empowered PARENTS & HELPERS

A FAMILY ALIGNMENT WORKSHOP BY PARENT COACH, SOPHIA KLOPP

Parenting can be challenging,
but you don't have to do it alone.

IMPORTANT!

31 AUGUST 2025 (SUNDAY), 2-5PM
@ AGAPE VILLAGE
MPR1 & MPR2, LEVEL 3

REGISTER
NOW!



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When parents and helpers work as a team, children thrive. This experiential workshop equips both with practical tools to align caregiving approaches, manage behaviours calmly, and build a respectful, united home environment.

Learn the Positive Discipline approach and walk away with strategies you can apply immediately. Sign up as a team and support your child with clarity, consistency, and care.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Novena Youth Rally (5 Sep)



Look forward to food and workshops related to the theme of the rally from 6-8 pm, followed by mass and the main rally which will include creative elements, input by the keynote speaker, reflection, praise and worship and we will end the night together with eucharist adoration.

Renew, Reignite & Rediscover (11 – 14 Sept)



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.

Mission to Fang, Chiang Mai (10 – 14 Sep)

MISSION TO FANG, CHIANG MAI



10 - 14 SEP, 25

Bringing Hope & Healing

"DON'T LET YOUR LIFE BE STERILE. BE USEFUL.
BLAZE A TRAIL. SHINE FORTH WITH THE LIGHT
OF YOUR FAITH AND OF YOUR LOVE."
— ST. JOSEMARÍA ESCRIVÁ

SEPTEMBER: MARY, MOTHER OF SORROWS, LEADS THE WAY

This September, we invite you to join us on a mission of compassion—a journey not to where it is comfortable, but to where it is needed. We will travel to the forgotten villages of Fang District in northern Chiang Mai, where ethnic minorities like the Karen, Hmong, and Lahu peoples have waited generations for the help that never came.

Secure Your Spot and
Be The Answer To Someone's
Prayer!

How You Can Help

- Be a part of the mission and experience the joy of serving Christ.
- Donate preloved or surplus items.
- If you cannot join, consider sponsoring someone willing to serve but unable to afford the expenses.
- Offer your spiritual support and pray for the community, the mission and us.

PLEASE SHARE



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<https://www.gebirah.org/phayao-thailand>

Talk by Bro Collin Wee, FSC (Sat 13 Sep)

TALK BY BR. COLLIN WEE, FSC

@ LASALLE HOUSE

 13 September, Sat, 9.30am

Mid-life: A Crisis or An Opportunity

- Mid-life can feel like a crisis — lost dreams, fading energy, growing distance in marriage.
- It can also be a powerful opportunity for growth and renewal.
- Join us as we explore, re-evaluate and navigate through the crossroads of mid-life.



Scan to find out more/register:



 **La Salle**
La Salle Centre
Singapore

Retrouvaille Weekend (26 Sep – 28 Sep)

a
marriage
lifeline

Is your marriage
tearing you apart?

Are you considering divorce
or separation?

RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND

Date: 26 - 28 SEP 2025

Register: bit.ly/RetroWE

SCAN ME



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SINGAPORE

an affiliate of Catholic Family Life

Mission to HCM City, Vietnam (10 -14 Oct)



**Pilgrimage to Our
Lady of Nui Cui**

Be A Pilgrim of Hope

10-14 October 2025

The late Pope Francis proclaimed the Jubilee Year 2025, calling all Catholics to be pilgrims of hope in a world longing for light. We invite you to join us on this life-changing mission —a journey of love, mercy, and transformation, where we will bring hope, love, and tangible support to the vulnerable and the abandoned.

Who We Will Serve

**Focolare's Pho Cap
School for the Poor
and PWDs**

**Thien Phuoc Home
for orphans with
disabilities**

Nazareth Hospice



Please Share With Your Friends

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Marriage Encounter Weekend

Discover the Joys of a Richer, Fuller Life Together!



The Weekend (stay-in) begins on Fri at 8 pm, and ends on Sun evening with Mass.

Yes, all you need is one Weekend!

*Conducted in English, Bahasa Indonesia (i.e. IndoME) or Mandarin (i.e. HuaKen).

2025

Weekend

Date Options*

- Feb 7 - 9 (Eng)
- Feb 14 - 16 (IndoME)
- Mar 7 - 9 (Eng)
- Mar 14 - 16 (HuaKen)
- Apr 4 - 6 (Eng)
- Jun 6 - 8 (Eng)
- Jun 20 - 22 (HuaKen)
- Aug 22 - 24 (IndoME)
- Aug 29 - 31 (Eng)
- Oct 3 - 5 (Eng)
- Nov 7 - 9 (Eng)
- Nov 21 - 23 (HuaKen)
- Dec 5 - 7 (Eng)



Worldwide Marriage Encounter Singapore (WWMESG) is an Affiliate of Catholic Family Life.

Find out more at
<https://tinyurl.com/WWMESGsignup>

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



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)

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