St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 11 May 2025 • Good Shepherd Sunday (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

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)

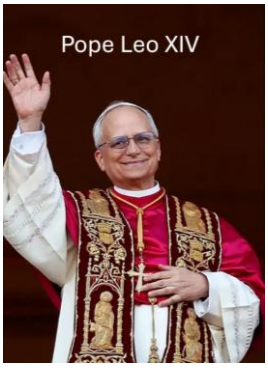
Holy Hour for Vocations :
Every Third Thursday of the month in the Chapel of St Joseph @ 8.00pm

Blessing of Expectant Mothers:
Every Fourth Sunday of the month

From the Desk of the Parish Priest

Habemus Papam! (We have a Pope)

HABEMUS PAPAM
WE HAVE A POPE
The Most Eminent and Most Reverend Lord Robert Francis
Cardinal of the Holy Roman Church Prevost
has taken the name Leo XIV



Cardinal Robert Francis Prevost, Prefect of the Dicastery for Bishops, has been elected pope and has taken the name Leo XIV. He is the 267th occupant of the throne of St. Peter.

A historic milestone marks his papacy: he's the first American-born Pope. Notably, his extensive experience as a missionary and bishop in Peru has deeply connected him to Latin America, earning him a unique perspective as a cardinal with roots in both cultures.

As we give thanks to Almighty God for the gift of a new Pope, let us also pray for Pope Leo XIV as he begins his Apostolic ministry.

Good Shepherd Sunday

The diocesan seminarians wish to express their heartfelt gratitude for the unwavering support and prayers they have received throughout their years of formation. At present, there are 23 seminarians in the seminary.

St Francis Xavier
MAJOR SEMINARY

Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey towards the priesthood.

CATHOLICNEWS
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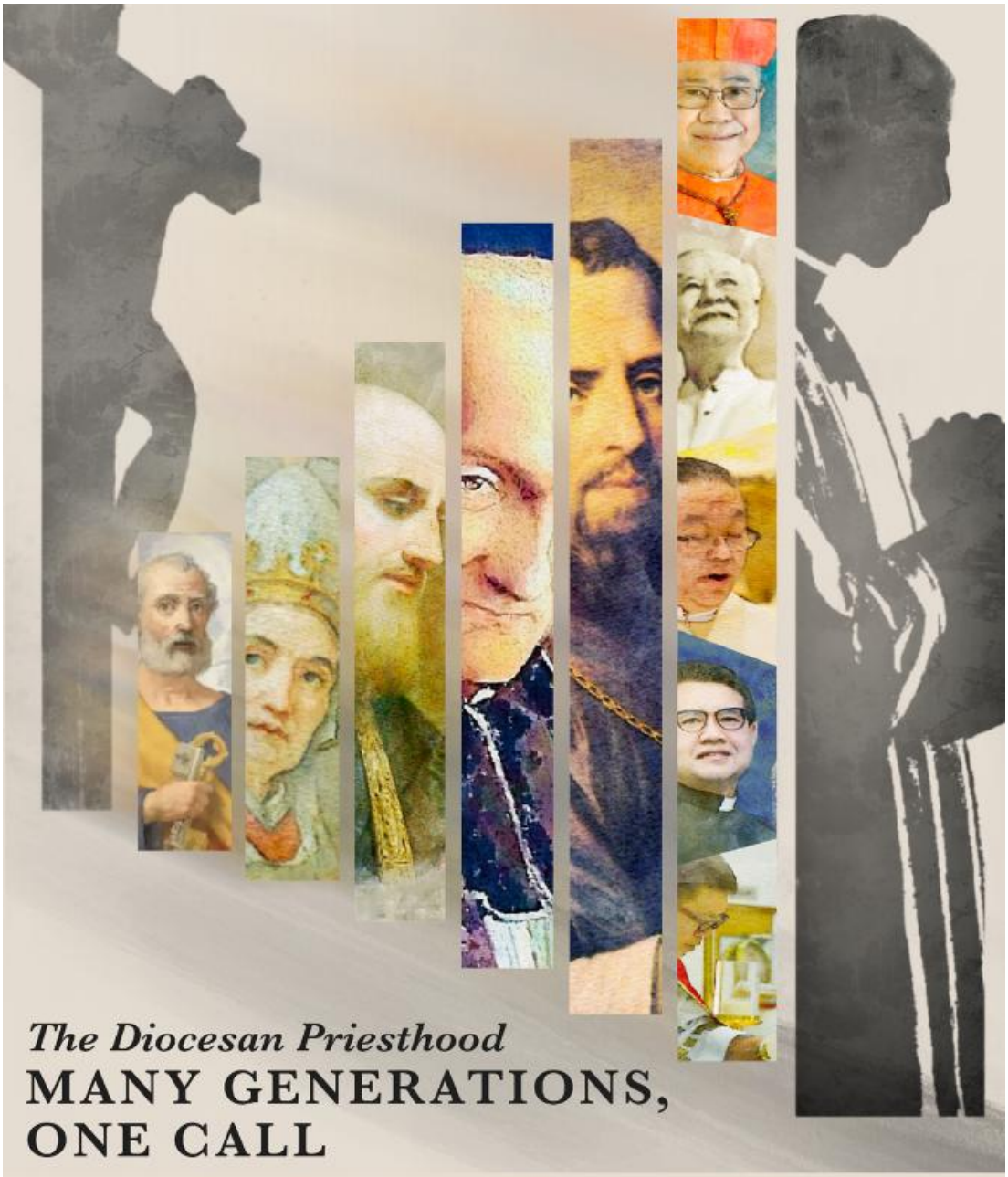
See Pope Francis' life in photos, the papal funeral, and vocation stories from priests and religious.



The Diocesan Priesthood

MANY GENERATIONS, ONE CALL

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are grateful for your continued prayers and support throughout our formation.

Please save the date - 22 to 24 Aug - for our Vocation Retreat, open to all young men discerning or explor ing the call to the priesthood. It will be a time of prayer and reflection to listen to God's voice.

We ask for your prayers for all who will attend. May the Lord bless you abundantly and guide us all in His service.

With gratitude,

The Seminarians

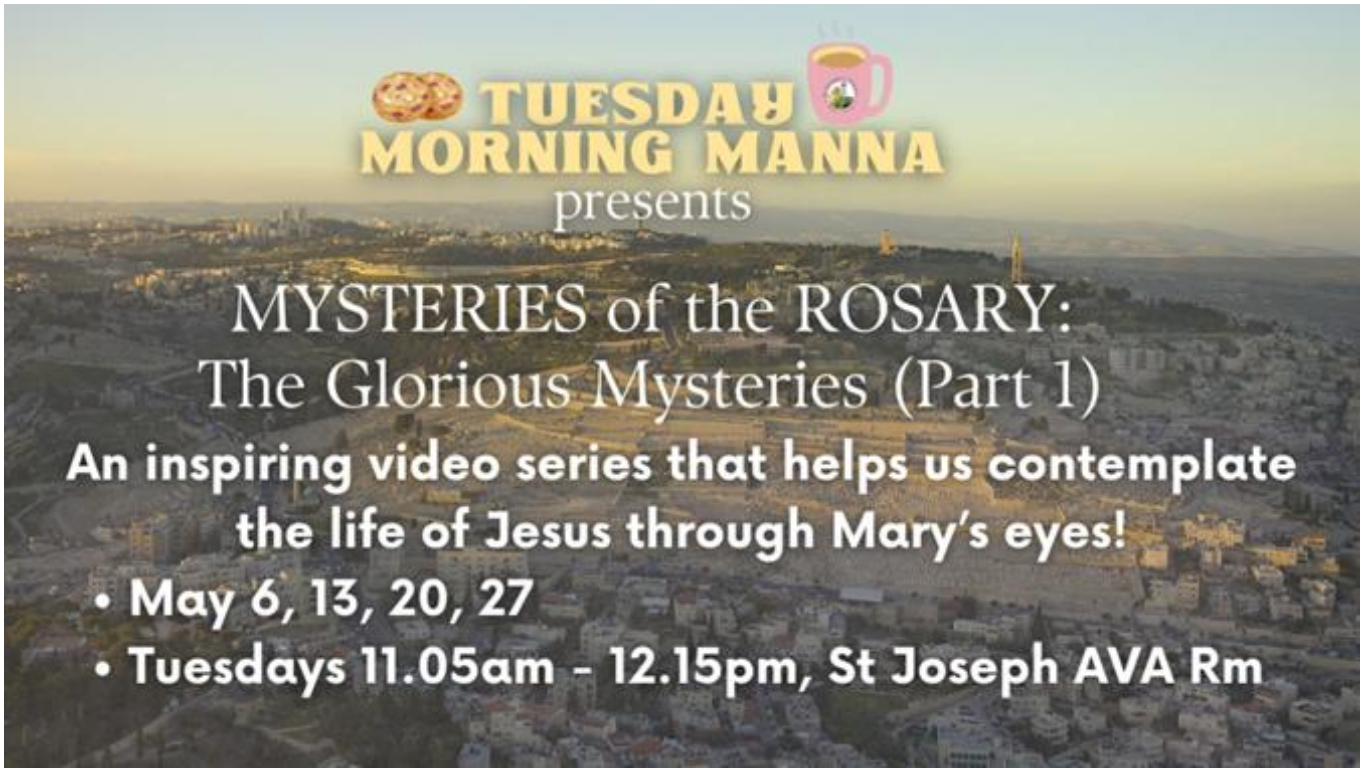
AROUND THE PARISH

Public Holiday Mass Timing (Mon 12 May)

Mass Timing on Public Holiday

Mon 12 May
8.00 am
Main Church

Tuesday Morning Manna (Tue 13 May)



Join us for Part 1 of this inspiring video series filmed in the Holy Land, as we reflect on the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary this Easter season.
No registration required.

Easter Breaking of the Word (Tue 13 May or Wed 14 May)

Join the Faith & Bible Reflections community as we reflect and share on the Sunday readings this Easter season starting in May. We will be using the ONE booklet. Join our Whatsapp Community to be updated: https://tinyurl.com/sjcbtbible

Intercessory Prayer Session (Wed 14 May @ 8 pm)

Scripture Series with Fr Ambrose Vaz (New Book Commencing 15 May)

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)

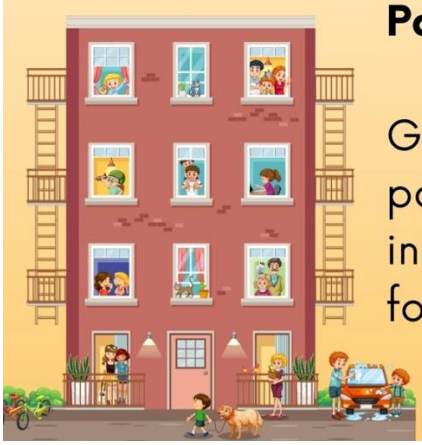
No registration required. All are welcome.
Do bring along your bibles.

Neighbourhood Community Fellowship (Sun 18 May)

Neighbourhood Commmunity Fellowship

10.45am, Sunday 18 May
Parish Community Hall

- Choa Chu Kang
- Teck Whye
- Chestnut
- Hillview
- Bt Panjang



Get to know your fellow parishioners over lunch and grow in faith together! Please register for catering purposes.

Come and Break the Word and break bread together with your fellowship parishioners on Sunday 18 May at 10.45am (after the 9.30am Mass)!
Lunch is provided so please register by Monday 12 May for catering purposes at:
https://tinyurl.com/NCFMay2025

AROUND THE PARISH

Prayer thru Music (Fri 23 May @ 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

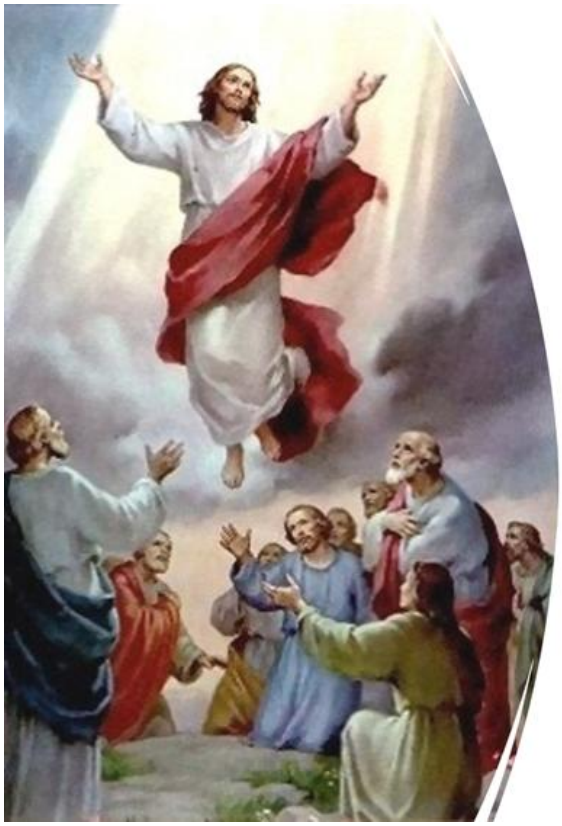
Rev Fr Terence Kesavan

Head of Academics (SFXMS)

23 May 2025 (Friday) 8PM
@ Level 3, St Mary, AVA Room
Parish Community Hall

e-mail:sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com

Mass Timing for Ascension Thursday (Day of Obligation)



Ascension of the Lord (Day of Obligation)

Wed 28 May
8.00 pm : Vigil Mass
(there is no 6.30 pm Mass)

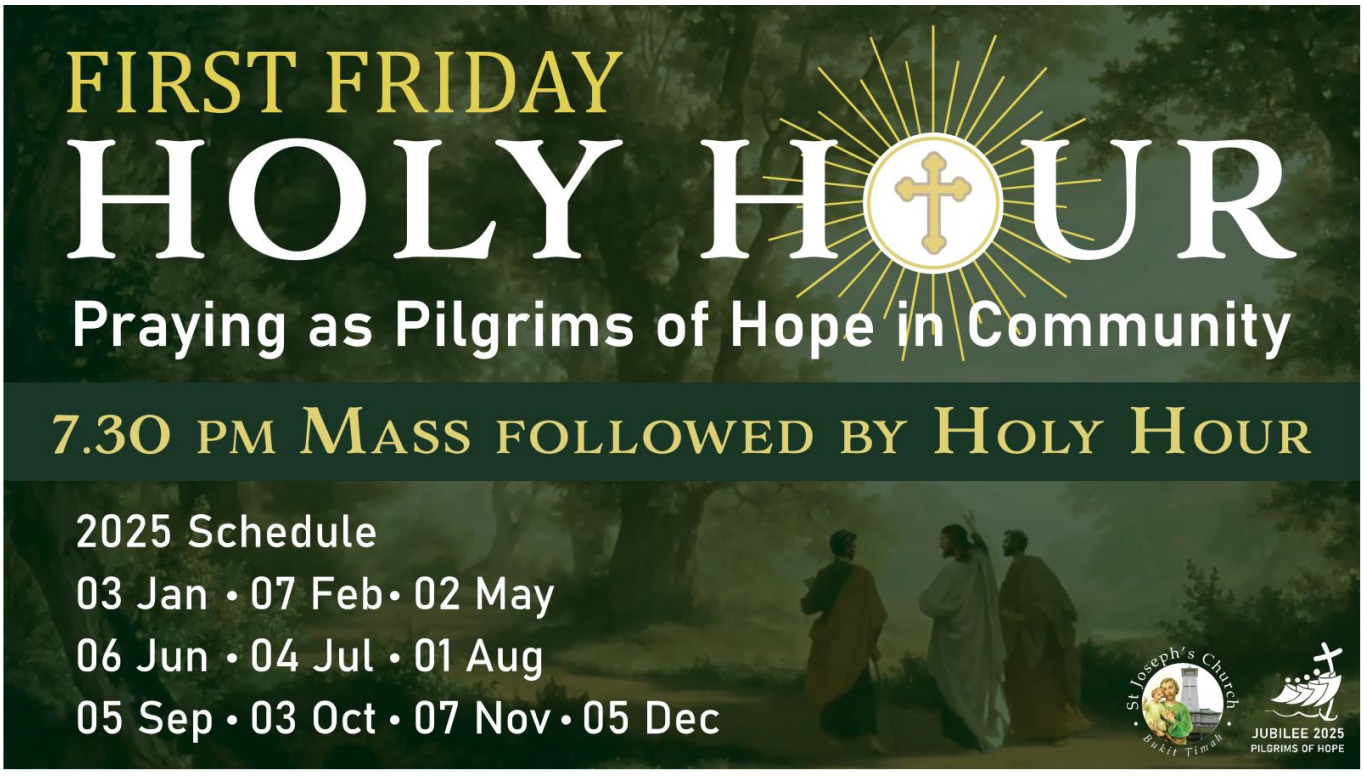
Thu 29 May
6.30 am / 12.30 pm / 6.30 pm / 8.30 pm

All Masses will be held in the main Church.

Neighbourhood Prayer Walk (Sat 31 May)

Please join the Neighbourhood Prayer Walk Whatsapp Community for updates: tinyurl.com/SJCBTNPW

First Friday Change in Mass Timing



Please note that with effect from June, the First Friday Mass timing will be changed from 7.15 pm to **7.30 pm**. This will then be followed by Holy Hour at 8 pm. All go be held in the Main Church.

Infant Baptism (Closing date for Registration : 15 May)

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:
13 July 2025	1 June 2025	29 June 2025	15 May 2025

SSVP Statement of Accounts

Society of St Vincent de Paul
Conference of St Joachim
Statement of Income and Expenses for April 2025

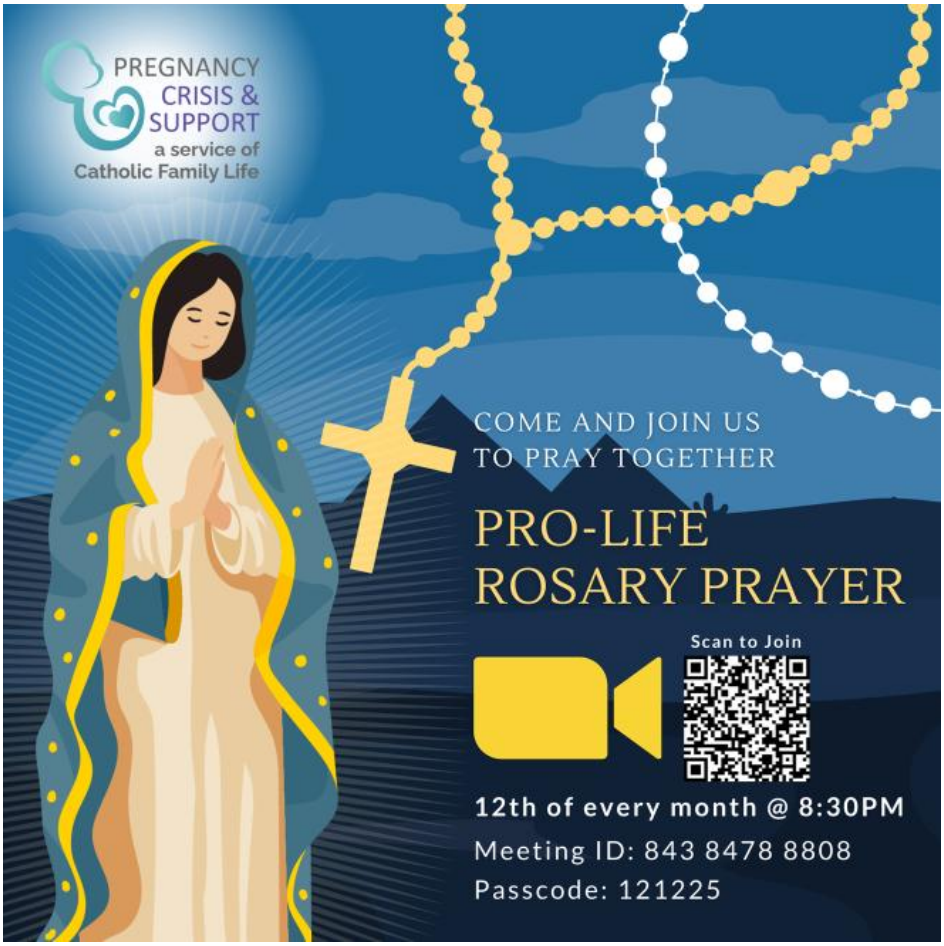
Donations	$ 17,268.25
Expenditure	$ 16,719.65
Surplus	$ 548.60

Thank you for your support for our Friends-in-Need!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Ark of the Covenant Exhibition (1 – 31 May)

Pro-Life Rosary Prayer (Mon 12 May @ 8.30 pm)



The Our Lady of Guadalupe Pro-Life Rosary is a beautiful way to pray for the unborn children and all who are affected by abortion.

Let our Rosaries be our weapon against the culture of death and let us pray for the dawning of a new culture, the culture of LIFE!

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

True or False Devotion (Mon 12 May @ 9.30 am)

This month of May, come together for a short recollection as we celebrate the month of Mother Mary and Mother's Day.

In a world filled with counterfeit devotions, it's crucial to distinguish between what's true and what's not when honoring Mary.

Through guided craftwork and reflection, this recollection invites us to recognize and avoid false devotions, while guiding us to choose the most perfect and sanctifying path—one that glorifies God and pleases Him most.

Register at: https://www.montfortcentre.org/events-1/true-or-false-devotion

Christian Life Program (Sat 17 May from 7.30 pm to 10 pm)

The Christian Life Program (CLP), scheduled to begin on Saturday, May 17 at CTIS, is an evangelization program open to all couples and individuals seeking a renewed relationship with Christ.
Please scan the QR code to register.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

CHIJ Our Lady Queen of Peace (Fri 23 May)

CHIJ Our Lady Queen of Peace provides students with a holistic educational experience and Catholic faith formation anchored in a Christ-centred, values-driven environment.

Come visit our Open House on Friday, 23 May 2025 (3.00 pm to 4.30 pm) to learn more about our educational experiences. We look forward to sharing 170 years of IJ education, tradition and legacy with your daughters. You may register for our Open House at: https://go.gov.sg/olqp2025

CJC 50th Anniversary Homecoming Dinner (Sat 31 May)

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

SSVP Youth Camp (6 – 8 Jun)

Desiring to serve and bring hope to others? Come and join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Youth Camp 2025! Seek a heart like Christ in this experiential stay-in youth camp with opportunities to meet with other like-hearted youth and to serve the Lord's beloved.

Focolare Mariapolis 2025 (13 – 15 June)

The programme caters to all ages and includes spiritual reflections and sharing, daily Mass, games, workshops, meals, and Holy Mass. There will be separate programmes for children under 12.
Parishioners who are interested can REGISTER via this link: https://forms.gle/S1HUoHJtQRBFW6j86
Please contact Michelle 9126 3335, Alve 9741 5918 Pedro 9819 5317, Edmund 8157 1937 (WhatsApp after working hours please) if you have any questions.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Sec 4/5 Outreach (Mon 16 June)

Calling all Sec 4/5 students! Come find out what Jesus has in store for you this holiday season. There'll be prayer and fellowship so come and find rest in Jesus amidst the busy season!

For enquiries, please email Melissa at melissa.oyp@catholic.org.sg

Kickstart '25

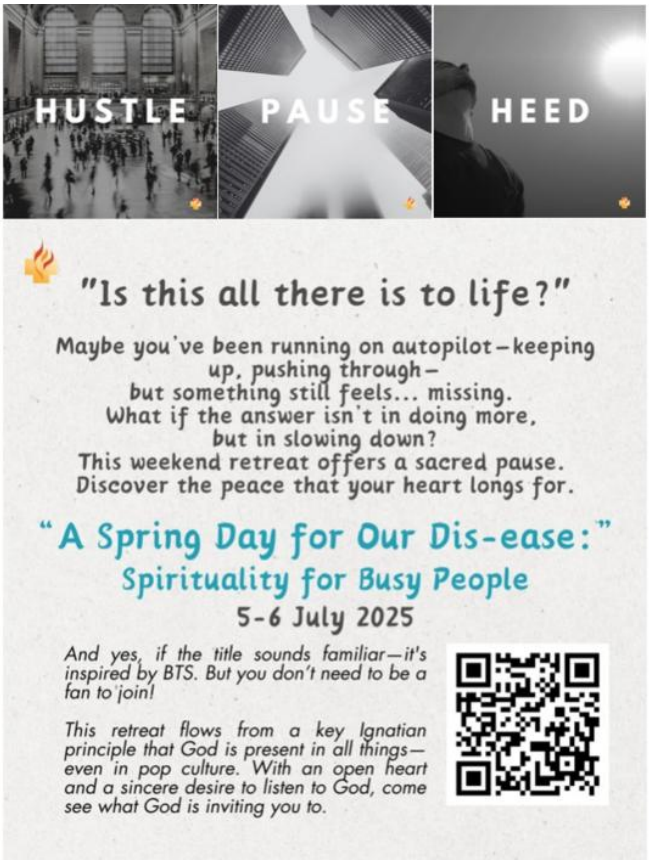
Beginning your university journey this year? Come join us at Kickstart25*, a retreat with fellowship and formation for all incoming university freshmen (studying locally or overseas)! You can look forward to hearing the faith stories of other university students and learn more about the universities you are entering from the seniors who will be there to welcome you! The Lord desires much for you, young friend. Take a leap of faith to discover more!
*This is a stay-in retreat

Date & Time: 28 June 2025 (Saturday) 10am to 29 June 2025 (Sunday) 7pm
Venue: Office for Young People, 2 Lor Low Koon, Singapore 536449
Cost: $21.80 (inclusive of 9% GST)
Participant Sign up: https://tinyurl.com/Kickstart25P

For enquiries, please contact Dennis via email (dennis.oyp@catholic.org.sg) or Telegram (@jeremiahlo).

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

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



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.

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.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

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

BUILDING THE CHURCH TODAY FOR TOMORROW

Marriage Preparation Courses

marriage preparation course

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

CLOSED ~~09 Feb - 16 Mar~~
Q2 04 May - 08 Jun
Q3 20 Jul - 31 Aug
Q4 05 Oct - 09 Nov

Scan to Register!

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.mpcsingapore.com

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