



St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 20 July 2025 • 16th Sunday Ordinary Time (Year C)

📍 620 Upper Bukit Timah Road
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🕒 Gate Opening Hours:
8.00am to 9.00pm

🌐 stjoseph-bt.org.sg/

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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

Lift is now Operational!



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I am pleased to announce that all the necessary approvals have since been obtained from the relevant authorities, and we can now commence operations.

We were fortunate to have Cardinal William Goh bless the lift last Sunday 6 July. We will now commence operations on Saturday 19 July from 3 pm onwards.

Important Reminder

While everyone will be excited to use the lift, please be considerate and give priority to those who have challenges climbing up the staircase. There will be ample opportunities for all to use the lift, ensuring everyone can benefit from this new facility.

With Appreciation

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to the team involved in the lift project. From conception to completion, this journey has spanned over two years. I am grateful for your dedication and commitment. This new lift will greatly benefit our seniors and those with mobility challenges, making it easier for them to attend Mass.

Above all, we offer heartfelt gratitude to God for the abundant blessings bestowed upon our Parish. We thank St. Joseph, our patron saint, for his loving intercession and watchful care, guiding us every step of the way.

How to Pray with the Bible (Sat 19 Jul @ 3.30 pm)



Sat 19 July
3:30–4:40 pm



HOW TO PRAY WITH THE BIBLE

Parish Community Hall

Cme 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.

Bible Reflection & Sharing (Sun 20 & 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
REFLECTIONS** community

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

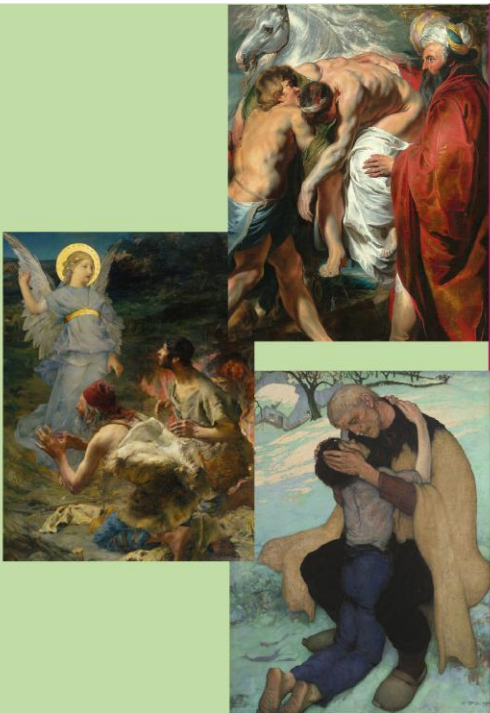
Art & Faith Talk on the Gospel of Luke (Sat 26 Jul)

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.

Break Open the Word (22,23, 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



FAITH & BIBLE
REFLECTIONS



BIBLE MONTH

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

Prayer thru Music (Fri 25 Jul @ 8 pm)



Prayer thru Music ©

(brought to you by SAHOP)

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



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JUBILEE 2025

Pilgrims of Hope in Community

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

Exam Novena Prayers (beginning Sat 26 Jul)



**BEGINS
JULY 26
2025**

ONLINE VIA ZOOM
SAT 9-9.45AM

EXAM NOVENA PRAYERS

ALL CHILDREN, TEENS,
PARENTS, GODPARENTS &
FAMILY WELCOME!



All those preparing for exams, especially the PSLE, 'O', 'N' and 'A' levels are invited to join in our Exam Novena Prayers as a family.
Zoom link: tinyurl.com/ExamNovena2025

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!





SSVP
Fundraising
Event

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

*Turning generosity into
meaningful keepsakes*

Kids Bible Camp – Registration closes 3 Aug

For P1 to P5
Kids Bible Camp 2025!



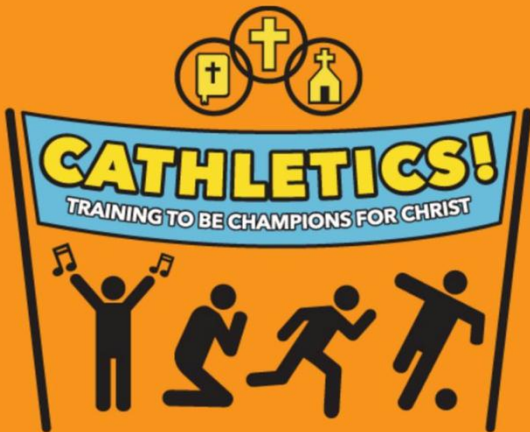
Learn more about your faith through fun activities!

- 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)

TUESDAY MORNING MANNA
presents

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



A 6-part video series that explores the truth & beauty of Christ's real presence in the Eucharist

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

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.

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

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.



Pieta Prayer Support for Bereaved Parents

Tue 22 July from 7.30pm to 9.15pm on Zoom



We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to meet every fourth Tuesday of the month to pray and support each other.

Enquiries: pieta.singapore@gmail.com
or <https://pieta.familylife.sg/>
Please email us directly for the Zoom link.

Note: In August, we will be meeting in person at Catholic Family Life at Highland Road. Please email us for details.

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

Join us! Nurses, friends and healthcare professionals

Annual Celebration of Catholic Nurses' Day
Sunday 3rd AUGUST 2025
@BlessedSacrament Church
Queenstown, 1 Commonwealth Dr
@ 5.30 pm Mass & Blessing
@ 2.30 pm Bi-Annual Meeting & Elections.



QR code and link for Nurses Mass 2025.
<https://forms.office.com/r/RzPDZtmnc5>

PLEASE REGISTER FOR THIS ANNUAL EVENT AND FOR DINNER (\$15 per person)
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Janet: 93210031



PRAYING OUR CROSSROADS: A LIFE DIRECTION RETREAT

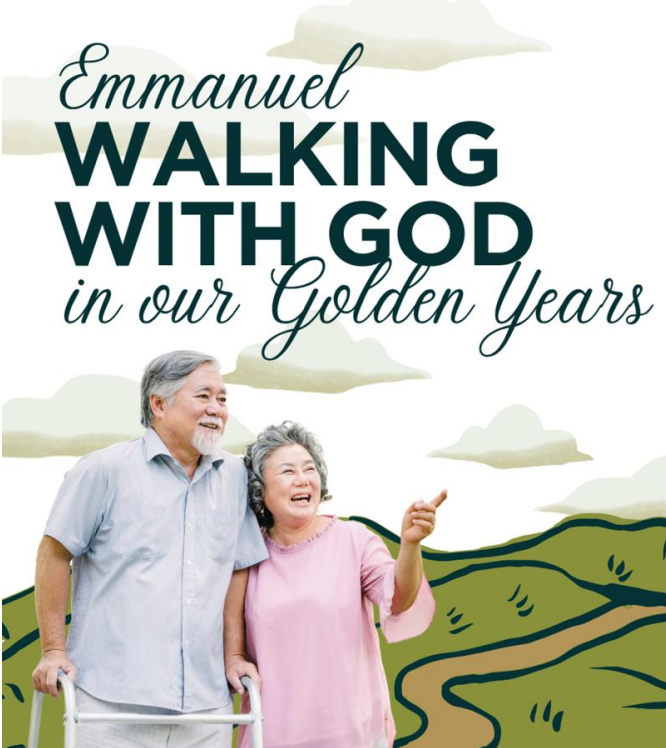


SFX Retreat House
9-10 August, 2025

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.





Emmanuel WALKING WITH GOD *in our Golden Years*



Nearing retirement or already navigating your golden years?

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

DATE
12 August 2025
(Tuesday)

TIME
4pm - 6pm

VENUE
Church of St Bernadette
Multi-purpose Hall

SIGN UP HERE



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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:



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.**

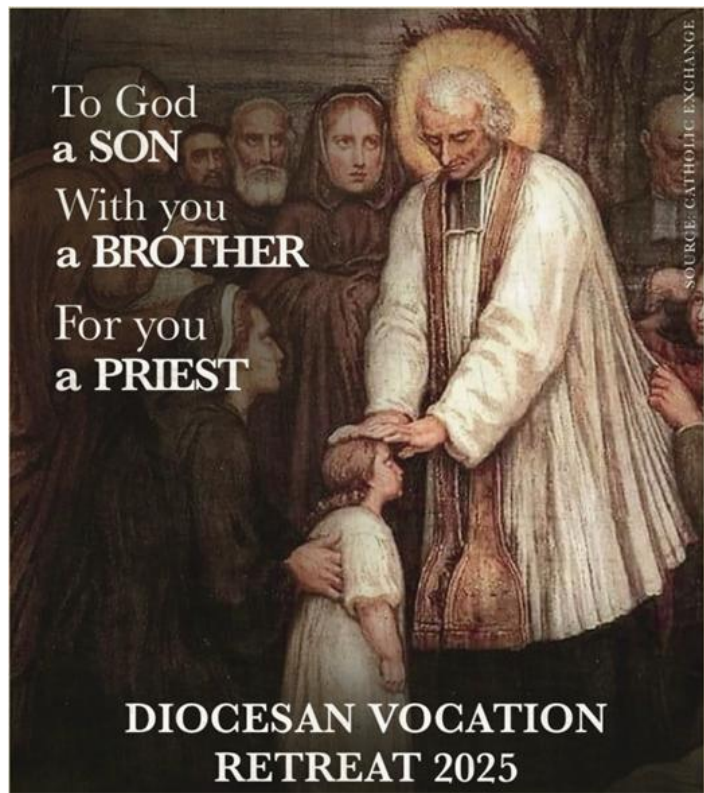
Join us and learn how to **fight better, recover well, and grow stronger together.**

DATE 21 August 2025
TIME (Thursday)
8pm - 10pm
VENUE CANA,
The Catholic Centre
(St Mary's Room, L3)

SIGN UP HERE:



Vocation Retreat 2025 (22 – 24 Aug)



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

**DIOCESAN VOCATION
RETREAT 2025**

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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*



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

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INTERCESSION RETREAT

A Weekend Retreat About Praying For Others



<https://bit.ly/cscir10>
FEE \$109
(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 (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

Empowered Parents & Helpers (31 Aug)



IN COLLABORATION WITH
ACMI
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!



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



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.

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)

Renew, Reignite & Rediscover

Cenacle Beach Retreat @Bintan
11-14 September, 2025

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



THE CENACLE
SISTERS



with  **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.

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:



Retrouvaille Weekend (26 Sep – 28 Sep)

a marriage lifeline



RETROUVAILLE
SINGAPORE

an affiliate of Catholic Family Life

RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND

Date: 26 - 28 SEP 2025

Register: bit.ly/RetroWE

Is your marriage
tearing you apart?

Are you considering divorce
or separation?

SCAN ME



Marriage Encounter Weekend



Discover the Joys of a
Richer, Fuller Life Together!



2025 Weekend

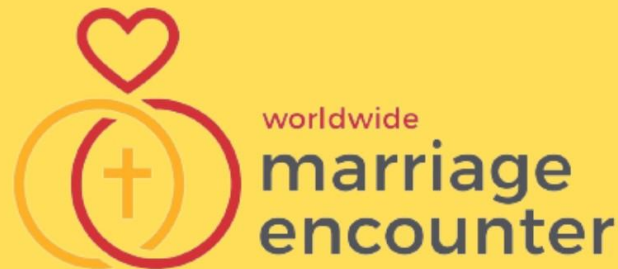
Date Options*

- 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)

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).



Singapore

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

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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](https://catholicfoundation.sg/cfdinner)

BUILDING THE CHURCH TODAY FOR TOMORROW