



St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 30 November 2025 • First Sunday of Advent (Year A)

 620 Upper Bukit Timah Road
Singapore 678116

 Gate Opening Hours:
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

First Sunday of Advent



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Candle of Hope

*Christ is the hope to all people, and
especially to those who dwell in
darkness and the shadow of death. We
thank God for the hope He gives us.*



Advent is a time of preparation and anticipation for the coming of Jesus Christ.

It is a good spiritual practice to add a little penance / sacrifice as Advent is also a penitential season akin to Lent.

So think of what you can do during these 4 weeks of Advent to bring to Christmas morning as a gift to the Christ child.

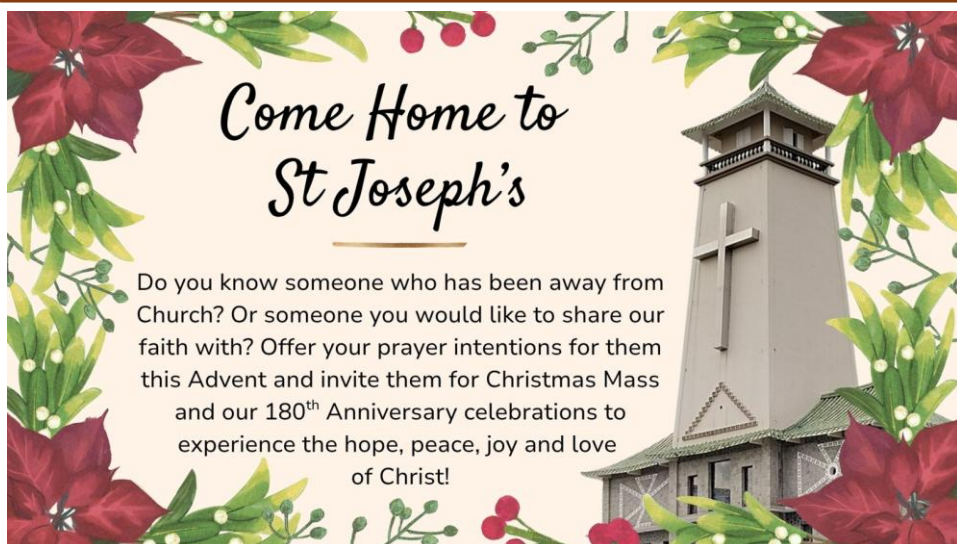
By beginning the season with intention and purpose, you'll set the tone for a meaningful and spiritual journey.

Advent Penitential Service at St Joseph's Church (BT)

Please note that the Advent Penitential Service for our Parish will be on Tuesday 09 Dec at 8 pm. Do make an effort to attend and prepare our hearts to welcome Christ this Christmas.

For the Advent Penitential schedule for the North District Parishes, please refer to page 5 of the bulletin.

Come Home to St Joseph's Church (BT)



Do you know someone who has been away from Church? Or someone you would like to share our faith with? Offer your prayer intentions for them this Advent and invite them for Christmas Mass and our 180th Anniversary celebrations to experience the hope, peace, joy and love of Christ!

Caroling for a Cause

Christmas Caroling for a Good Cause

Our 11:30 am Sunday Mass choir is spreading holiday cheer by singing carols at homes.

Catch us after the 11:30 am Mass, or reach out to :
Bibiana: 9431 8288 or Daniel: 9636 5597

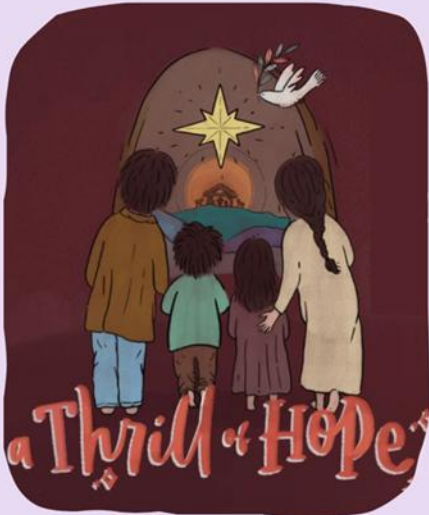
All donations go straight to **CHIJ SANCTUARY FOR CHILDREN.**
Let's make this season extra warm together!



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Advent Reflections (2 and 3 Dec)

Prepare your hearts for Jesus' coming with Scripture reflections, sharing questions, and faith-sharing activities.



ADVENT REFLECTIONS



- Tuesday 8pm or Wednesday 9am
- Nov 25/26, Dec 2/3, 9/10, 16/17
- Online via Zoom

FAITH & BIBLE REFLECTIONS



Join the Faith & Bible Reflections Community to reflect on the Sunday readings this Advent, and prepare for the coming of our saviour, Jesus! Join the Whatsapp Community for more information:
tinyurl.com/SJCBTFAB

First Wed Mass in Honour of St Joseph (Wed 03 Dec)



MASS IN HONOUR OF
ST JOSEPH

FIRST WEDNESDAY
MAIN CHURCH

WEDNESDAY 03 DEC 2025
7.30 PM ST JOSEPH ROSARY
8.00 PM MASS



Please note that there is no 6.30 pm Mass in the Chapel of St Joseph.

First Friday Mass and Holy Hour (Fri 05 Dec)

FIRST FRIDAY
HOLY HOUR
Praying as Pilgrims of Hope

Mass: 7.30 pm followed by Holy Hour

Friday 05 Dec 2025
Theme : Looking with Hope
for the Coming of Christ
Speaker : Fr Lourdusamy Prasanna



Please note that there is no 6.30 pm Mass in the Chapel of St Joseph.

Small Catholic Communities (Thu 04 Dec @ 8 pm)

Small Catholic Communities (SCC) December Prayer Session



Add: Blk 340 Choa Chu Kang Loop #03-13 Spore 680340
Date: Thursday, 4th December 2025
Time: 8pm
Hosts: Vincent & Mary-Anne Lee

All are welcome to pray with us as a community.

Come and get to know your neighbours and pray together as a community.

Heritage Trail Talks (Sat 06 Dec @ 10 am)

Heritage Trail Talks



As we count down to our 180th Anniversary Celebrations in 2026, we are excited to invite you on a journey through time with our Heritage Trail tours! Join our talks to learn about the history and developments that have shaped our Church into what it is today.

You can attend either one of these talks :
Date : Wed 12 Nov *OR* Sat 06 Dec
Time : 10 am to 11.30 am
Venue : St Joseph AVA Room

Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your connection with our community!
We would also welcome anyone who would like to assist as a Heritage Trail guide.

Sign up at : <https://forms.gle/rbbu2rd2mZgz6xqF6>
Or scan the QR code.



Advent Cantata (Sat 6 Dec & Sun 7 Dec)

Advent Cantata

Explore the Advent themes of Hope, Peace, Joy and Love through traditional hymns and contemporary songs this Advent!

- Sat 6 Dec & Sun 7 Dec
- 7.00-8.00pm
- Parish Community Hall

All are Welcome! Invite your friends!



Enter the season of Advent more fully through sacred music and song. There will be an Advent Cantata on 6 and 7 December after the evening Mass featuring youth singers from our parish. The concert is free and all are welcome.

Sharing Christmas Joy (Collection : 7 & 14 Dec)



Sharing Christmas Joy

**The Society of St Vincent De Paul
thanks the Parish community
for the tremendous support to our Families-In-Need**

Collection of Christmas gifts

**Day & Date: Sunday, 7 & 14 December 2025
From 8.30am to 12.30pm @ St Joachim Room**

Please paste the gifting card on the gift box or put the gifting card together with goodie bag items or bookshop vouchers

Advent Reflections (Sun 07 Dec)

Advent Reflections

Youth Faith and Bible Reflection

**Every Sunday**
Nov 30
Dec 7, 14, 21

**2 to 3.30 pm**

**Online via Zoom**

**Age 15+**





Calling all youth 15+ years! Come and know more about the Advent Season and prepare your hearts to welcome Jesus at Christmas. Join the Youth Faith & Bible Reflections Community for more information: tinyurl.com/SJCBTFAB

North District Advent Penitential Services

2025 North District Advent Penitential Services

Day & Date	Time	Venue
Mon 08 Dec	8 PM	St Anthony
Tue 09 Dec	8 PM	St Joseph’s Church (BT)
Wed 10 Dec	10.30 AM & 8 PM	Christ the King
Thu 11 Dec	8 PM	Our Lady Star of the Sea
Fri 12 Dec	10.30 AM & 8 PM	Holy Spirit

Note :
Church of the Risen Christ is undergoing renovation and hence will not be scheduled this year.

St Joseph Intercessory Prayer Group

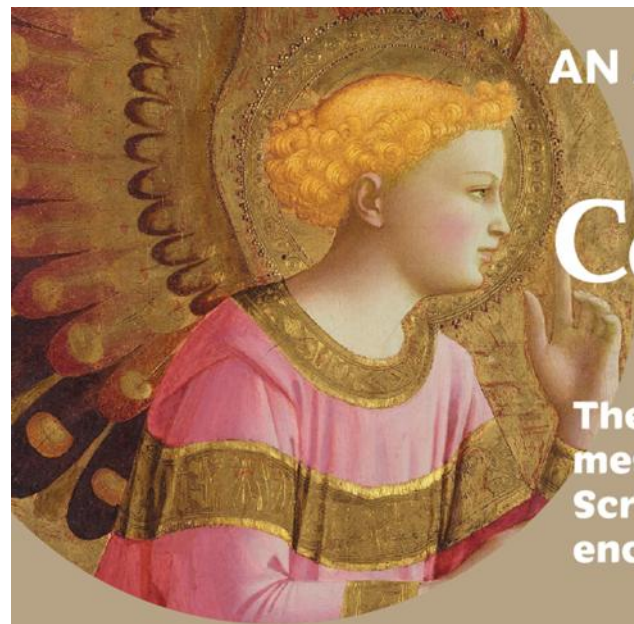
“First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings should be made for everyone.” 1 Tim 2:1

Let us come before the Lord to pray for the needs of others and for our own needs

There will be no intercessory prayer session on 10 Dec 2025.

See you on 14 Jan 2025, 7:30-8:30pm!

Art & Faith Talk : In the Company of Angels (Sat 13 Dec @ 10 am)



AN ART&FAITH TALK

In the Company of Angels

They are more than just messengers. Uncover what Scripture reveals about human encounters with angels.

Sat 13th Dec 2025
10.00am-12.00pm

St Joseph's Church (BT)
St Mary AVA Room

Speaker:
Patricia Tan

Join Patricia Tan as she breathes life into paintings. weaving art into faith. Come experience the intersection of creativity and devotion, and leave inspired to see God’s love expressed in colour.

Christmas Fair (Sat 13 Dec and Sun 14 Dec)



Media Centre (Bookshop) :
Christmas Fair

*Back by
popular demand!*

The Daughters of St Paul Media Centre (Bookshop) will extend the Christmas Fair for one more weekend on **Sat 13 Dec & Sun 14 Dec**.

Do drop by and pick up some delightful Christmas presents for your family and friends.



Simbang Gabi (Wed 17 Dec)

St Joseph's Church
(Bukit Timah)

Rev Fr. Romeo Yu Chang, CICM

Date: 17 December 2025
(Wednesday)

Time: 7:15pm - Holy Rosary
7:40pm - Carols
8:00pm - Holy Mass

Address: 620 Upper Bukit Timah Rd,
Singapore 678116

By Bus (aft Assumption Eng Sch): 67,
75, 170, 178, 184, 961, 963, 970

By MRT: DT2 Cashew (Downtown Line)



Hope in Times of Darkness

"The light shines in the darkness..." John 1:5



Come and experience the rich Filipino tradition of welcoming the birth of Jesus.

Christmas& Year End Mass Timings

2025 Christmas & Year End Mass Schedules

Day & Date	Time	Occasion
Wed 24 Dec	8.30 pm	Carolling (Mandarin)
Wed 24 Dec	9.00 pm	Christmas Eve Mass (Mandarin)
Wed 24 Dec	11.15 pm	Carolling (English)
Wed 24 Dec	12.00 MN	Midnight Mass
Thu 25 Dec	9.30 am / 11.30 am / 5.30 pm	Christmas Day Mass
Wed 31 Dec	5.30 pm	Thanksgiving Mass (followed by Fellowship)



Registration for 2026 Primary Catechesis

Registration for Primary Catechesis 2026

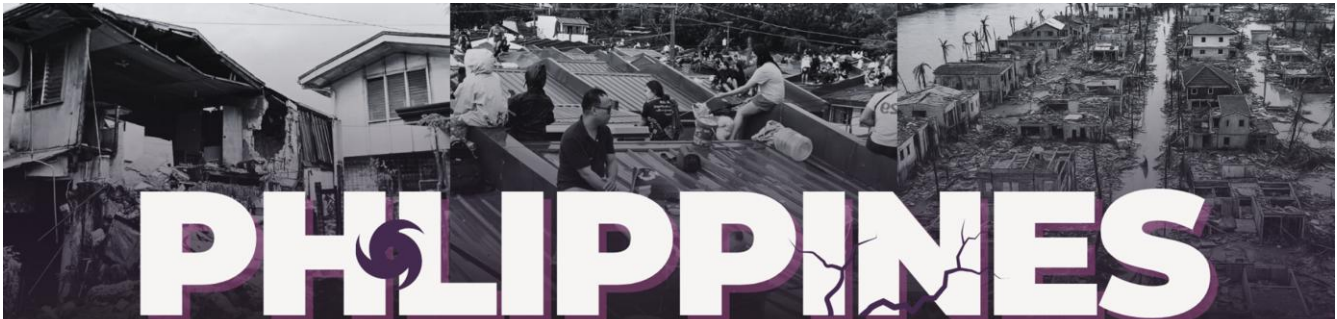
- For (1) new registrations and (2) those who are currently attending primary catechesis but have not registered using myCatholicSG, please go to <https://mycatholic.sg/welcome> and have the parent and child's myCatholicSG account ready. Scan the QR code for the step-by- step guide to register your child.
- For those children who are already attending primary catechesis and have registered previously using myCatholicSG, you need not register again.
- If you have any queries regarding registrations, please email primarycatechesis@stjoseph-bt.org.sg
- For technical queries on the myCatholicSG account registration, please email Digital Church Office : mycatholicsg@catholic.org.sg



Scan for the step by step guide for registration via myCatholicSG



Philippines Disaster Relief



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DISASTER RELIEF



go.charis-singapore.org
/PHDR

Small gifts, Miraculous impact

FUNDRAISING APPEAL



CHARIS is making a heartfelt appeal to raise funds for the Philippines to support those affected by a series of catastrophic typhoons and earthquakes that have struck the country in recent months. It has claimed several lives and displaced many people from their homes leaving countless families struggling for food, clean water, and shelter. These funds will provide urgent relief and essential supplies to alleviate their suffering. Please render assistance.

CARE (Catholic AIDS Response Effort)



Catholic AIDS Response Effort (CARE)

World AIDS Day is commemorated on 1st December every year to raise awareness about HIV/AIDS. The Catholic AIDS Response Effort (CARE) provides holistic care and support to People Living with HIV/AIDS and their families. CARE also works to raise public awareness of HIV/AIDS and to promote greater compassion and understanding towards People Living with HIV/AIDS.

Open The Door To Jesus Christ (1 – 4 Dec)



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CENTRE
ALL THE GOD KNOWS

MONTFORTIAN EXPERIENCE: INDIVIDUAL GUIDED RETREAT

OPEN THE DOOR TO JESUS CHRIST

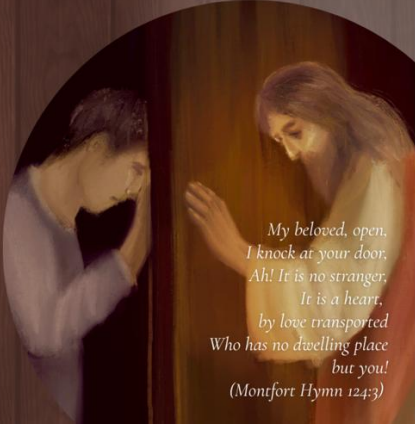
*He's not a stranger - He knows you and longs to be with you.
In the quiet, open your heart and let Him make His home in you.*

1 – 4 DEC 2025

MONTFORT CENTRE
624 Upper Bukit Timah Road,
Singapore 678212
(Enter via Assumption Pathway
School, 30 Cashew Road)



Registration:
tr.ee/IGR2025



*My beloved, open,
I knock at your door;
Ah! It is no stranger;
It is a heart,
by love transported
Who has no dwelling place
but you!
(Montfort Hymn 124:3)*

Montfort Centre is organizing a stay-in Montfortian Experience Retreat this Advent on 1st to 4th December at Montfort Centre, Upper Bukit Timah Road. Theme of the retreat: “Open The Door To Jesus Christ”. For more information, scan the QR code on the screen.

Our Lady of Guadalupe (Fri 12 Dec)



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Feast Day Mass

Honouring the Patroness of Unborn Children

FRIDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2025
Pro-life Rosary | 5:45 PM
Mass | 6:30 PM
Church of St Alphonsus
(Novena Church)



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CATHOLIC LAWYERS GUILD

- ARE YOU FACING LEGAL ISSUES OR DISPUTES AND FEELING LOST?
- DO YOU REQUIRE SOME HELP TO UNDERSTAND YOUR SITUATION AND LEGAL OPTIONS?
- HOWEVER, YOU CANNOT AFFORD A LAWYER OR DO NOT QUALIFY FOR OTHER PRO BONO SERVICES.

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SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER



Contact details

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- probono@clgsingapore.com

1. Online registration is required before an appointment will be given to you (*CLG reserves the right to accept/reject any application at its sole discretion)
2. In order for our lawyers to assist you better, you will be asked to provide some basic information / background of your legal matter.
3. If you have any queries on the CLG Pro Bono Legal Clinics, see contact details above

Marriage Encounter Weekend



Discover the Joys of a
Richer, Fuller Life Together!



2025 Weekend

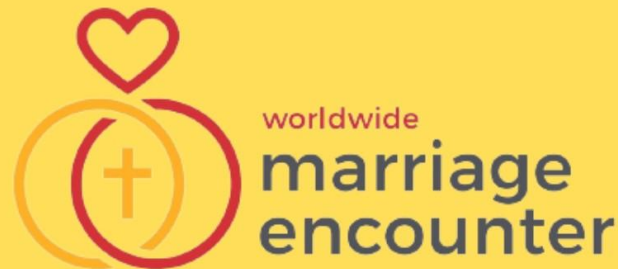
Date Options*

- 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>



Build a Strong Foundation for a Lifetime of Love

Getting married in the Catholic Church?
Marriage Preparation Course (MPC) offers **six focused, half-day weekend sessions** to help you and your partner grow closer and prepare for a strong, faith-filled marriage.

✨ **What to expect:**

- Practical tools for married life
- Deeper communication and connection
- Faith-based guidance rooted in Catholic values

 **Plan ahead – attend well before your wedding day!**

 Register or learn more: www.mpcsingapore.com

MPC 2026

Q1: 11 Jan - 01 Mar

Q2: 12 Apr - 17 May

Q3: 05 Jul - 16 Aug

Q4: 20 Sep - 25 Oct



Strengthen your bond. Grow in love. Start with Marriage Preparation Course.