



# St Joseph's Church

## (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 29 Jan 2023 • 4<sup>th</sup> Sun Ordinary Time (Year A)



620 Upper Bukit Timah Road  
Singapore 678116



Gate Opening Hours:  
8.00AM to 9.00PM



[stjoseph-bt.org.sg/](http://stjoseph-bt.org.sg/)



[facebook.com/sjcbt/](https://facebook.com/sjcbt/)

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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 open foyer of the main 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)

**Divine Mercy** : Every Friday  
(except First Friday) @ 8.00pm in the  
Chapel of St Joseph

**Garden Rosary** : Every 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

## The Presentation of the Lord

### Blessing of Candles

(Thu 2 Feb @ 6.30 am and 6.30 pm Masses in Main Church)



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*The Church celebrates the feast of the Presentation of the Lord on 2 Feb. It commemorates Simeon's famous prophecy that Jesus would be a "light of revelation to the Gentiles." It is also known as Candlemas since it is the day that candles are blessed for use throughout the Church year.*

The 6.30 am and 6.30 pm Masses will be held in the main Church.

Parishioners can bring their candles to the Parish Office prior to 2 Feb. Please label the candles with your name and contact number.

If you are unable to attend the Masses, you can collect your candles from the St Joachim Room on weekends.

## First Friday Mass and Holy Hour (3 Feb)



## FIRST FRIDAY Mass and Holy Hour

Mass : 7.15pm  
Holy Hour : 8.00pm

» 3 Feb 2023	» 1 Sep 2023
» 2 Jun 2023	» 6 Oct 2023
» 7 Jul 2023	» 3 Nov 2023
» 4 Aug 2023	» 1 Dec 2023



*Gifts*  
of the  
**Holy Spirit**

First Friday Mass and Holy Hour resumes on 3 Feb. Mass will be at 7.15 pm in the Main Church followed by Holy Hour at 8 pm.

The theme this year is on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Fr Christopher Lee will facilitate the first session on the topic of "Wisdom".

Talk by Sister Elizabeth Sim (Sat 18 Feb)

## Lent and Essence of a Disciple

Date: Sat 18 February 2023

Time: 8 pm

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

# Lent

This is the time of fulfillment.  
The Kingdom of God is at hand.  
Repent and believe in the Gospel.

MARK 1:15

Speaker: Sister Elizabeth Sim  
Canossian Daughters of Charity (FDCC)

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To prepare for Lent, come and join Sister Elizabeth as she shares her insight on Lent.  
All are welcome. No registration is required.

Ash Wed (22 Feb)

# ASH WEDNESDAY



**22 February 2023**

## Day of Fasting and Abstinence

**Mass Timings :**

6.30 am

6.30 pm

8.30 pm

**Venue :**

Main Church

Imposition of Ashes  
at all Masses

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## Fridays in Lent



Date	
Friday 24 Feb	Friday after Ash Wed
Friday 03 Mar	First Friday in Lent
Friday 10 Mar	Second Friday in Lent
Friday 17 Mar	Third Friday in Lent
Friday 24 Mar	Fourth Friday in Lent
Friday 31 Mar	Fifth Friday in Lent

Fridays in Lent

Stations of the Cross : 8 pm

Mass : 8.30 pm

Main Church

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SSVP Statement of Accounts



Society of St Vincent de Paul  
Conference of St Joachim

Statement of Income and Expenses for Dec 2022

Total Donations Received	\$	21,961.00
Total Disbursements	\$	14,600.00
Surplus	\$	7,361.00

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

### Infant Baptism – Closing Date for Registration : 10 Feb 2023

#### Upcoming Infant Baptism Schedule

- Parents seeking Baptism for their infant or child, please submit the registration form to the Parish Secretary.
- Registration forms can be obtained from our Church website : <https://stjoseph-bt.org.sg/services> under the section on Infant Baptism



Rite of Baptism	Preparation Session 1 @ 2 pm (Online Session) For parents & godparent	Preparation Session 2 @ 2 pm (St Joseph AVA Room) For parents & godparent	Closing date for registration
Sun 2 Apr 2023 @ 2.30 pm	Sun 5 Mar 2023	Sun 26 Mar 2023	Fri 10 Feb 2023

**5 Tips to Easily Motivate Your Child for Success (Sat 18 Feb @ 3.30 pm)**

## 5 Tips to Easily Motivate Your Child for Success

Do you want to motivate your child to do well in their studies?

Do you want to know your child's strengths and gifts?

Do you want to set your child up for success?

18 Feb 2023 | 3:30 – 5:00pm

St Joseph Church (Bukit Timah),

Parish Community Hall



**Catholic  
Family Life**



Register now:

[bit.ly/5TipsSJ](https://bit.ly/5TipsSJ)



**The Great St Joseph Celebration (Sun 7 May)**

## The Great St Joseph Celebration Sunday 7 May 2023

Block your calendars and join us as  
we resume our Food and Fun Fair  
this year.

More announcements will follow in  
the coming weeks.



# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## Love Adventures with God (Commencing Thu 2 Feb)



2 Highland Road,  
#03-17 C.A.E.C (Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre)  
Singapore 549102

Office Working Schedules are on **Mondays to Fridays: 9am-1pm**

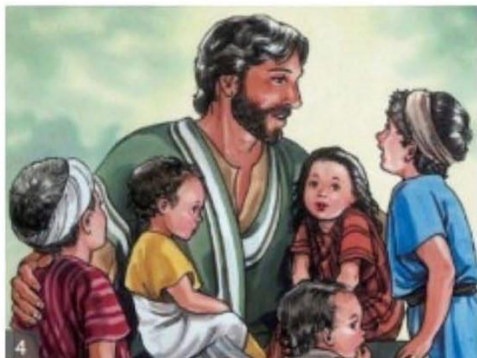
Tel: 6280 0354 / 96528097  
Email: [aba\\_secretariat@catholic.org.sg](mailto:aba_secretariat@catholic.org.sg)

### Love Adventures with God (ZOOM Online)

#### COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Do you want to be comforted and enthralled by God's gentle love whispers to you every day? Come and experience intimacy with God through *understanding* and *appreciating* God's love language in His Love Letter to us, the Bible. Experience God's love, get to know God personally and deepen your relationship with Him by gaining insights into biblical interpretation, including literary devices such as Jewish numerology, typology, symbolism, imagery, colours, the use of questions etc.

This series is suitable for all (Beginners & Intermediate) who wish to be equipped with some of the key tools of Biblical interpretation (hermeneutics) "to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." (Eph 3:18-19)



### By Prof. Hannah Lim

#### About the Speaker

Prof Hannah Lim is a graduate and valedictorian of the very first cohort of the Catholic Theological Institute of Singapore in 2014. Hannah has lectured on a number of biblical topics at the parish level, including the Beatitudes and the Book of Job. In her professional life, she is a professor and published author at a leading Singapore university.

**10 Sessions Thursday Evenings LIVE**  
**(Feb 2,9,16,23) (Mar 16,23,30) (Apr 13,20,27)**  
**EVENINGS (8:00 – 9.30 PM)**

#### REGISTRATION



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## Marriage Encounter Weekends (Fri 3 Feb – Sun 5 Feb)

  
**Restore · Rekindle · Renew**  
your marriage at the ME Weekend  
**3rd - 5th Feb or 14th - 16th April 2023**  
Joe and Reenie 96705390 or [mewkend@gmail.com](mailto:mewkend@gmail.com)  




## Vocation Seminar for Young Single Women (Sat 4 Feb)



The poster features a circular illustration of two women walking on a path towards a body of water where a small boat is visible. The text 'What does God want from me?' is written in a large, blue, cursive font. Below the illustration, the text 'VOCATION SEMINAR FOR YOUNG SINGLE WOMEN 17~28 YEARS OF AGE' is written in blue capital letters. The date, time, and place are listed in blue capital letters. The sessions are by Sr. Sandra Seow. A description of the afternoon's activities is provided, along with a registration deadline. A blue box at the bottom contains the email address for registration.

**verbum dei Singapore**

*What does God want from me?*

**VOCATION SEMINAR FOR YOUNG SINGLE WOMEN 17~28 YEARS OF AGE**

**DATE: 4TH FEBRUARY 2023, SATURDAY**  
**TIME: 2 TO 6 PM**  
**PLACE: 4 SOMMERVILLE ROAD S358228**  
**SESSIONS BY SR. SANDRA SEOW**

An afternoon to learn more about consecrated life and vocation discernment with time for personal prayer and tea with the Verbum Dei Missionaries.

Register by 28th January 2023

**Email [verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg](mailto:verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg) to register**

"What does God want from me?"

Vocation Seminar for young single women 17-28 years of age.

Join us for an afternoon to learn more about consecrated life and vocation discernment with time for personal prayer. Tea will be provided. This seminar will be led by Sr. Sandra Seow, FMVD.

Date: Sat 4 Feb 2023

Time: 2 to 6 pm


Place: Verbum Dei House  
4 Sommerville Road  
Singapore 358228

Register by 28 Jan 2023

Email

[verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg](mailto:verbumdeispore@yahoo.com.sg) to register.

## Jesus Encounter Retreat (Wed 8 Feb – Sun 12 Feb)



The poster features a background image of a crucifix. The text 'JESUS ENCOUNTER RETREAT 2' is written in large, bold, black capital letters. The date and time are listed in bold black capital letters. The text 'BE A NEW CREATION IN CHRIST' is written in large, bold, white capital letters. The text 'RE-EXPERIENCE', 'RE-DISCOVER', and 'RE-IGNITE' are written in bold black capital letters. The text 'TO REGISTER' is written in bold black capital letters. A QR code is provided for registration. The text 'SCAN HERE' is written in bold black capital letters.

**JESUS ENCOUNTER RETREAT 2**

**FEB 2023 8th - 12th WED - SUN**

**BE A NEW CREATION IN CHRIST** - 2Cor 5:17

**RE-EXPERIENCE**  
God's merciful love poured into your heart - Rm 5:5

**RE-DISCOVER**  
your dignity as a child of our Loving Father - Gen 1:27

**RE-IGNITE**  
the faith given to you through baptism - Col 2:12

**TO REGISTER**

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**CATHOLIC SPIRITUALITY CENTRE**  
Encountering God • Healing Hearts • Empowering Lives

**J|E|R**  
RETREAT

# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## ACMI Migrant Fund Charity Golf (Fri 10 Feb)



ACMI MIGRANT FUND  
CHARITY  
FUNDRAISING

Network over golf and putt  
for the migrant cause!

MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS!

FRIDAY  
10 FEB 2023  
11am - 9.30pm  
Tanah Merah Country Club,  
Tampines Course

ACMI  
FAMILY TO MIGRANTS

## ACMI Migrant Fund Charity Golf 2023

There are more than 12 million low-wage migrant workers and migrant domestic workers in Singapore. Many are single mothers or who have courageously left their families to come to Singapore to work. Others are struggling to make ends meet in a rising cost environment whilst facing hardship and prejudice.

Your support can feed 500 migrant workers, give 76 migrant domestic workers upskilling opportunities through training courses and much more.

**\$5,000\*/flight**  
lunch and dinner included

*\*All flight purchases and outright donations for this golf fundraiser are eligible for 250% tax deduction.*

Scan to register!



## Cenacle At-Home-Retreat - "Journey from Ashes to Easter" (Commencing Thu 16 Feb)

A ten-week programme based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola, which enables one to know Jesus Christ more intimately in the midst of life's daily routine. It includes a weekly meeting of faith sharing, daily prayer using Scripture, and spiritual direction. It falls within the Lent season, the retreat theme of "Journeying from Ashes to Easter" would be a timely opportunity for us to deepen our Lenten pilgrimage. By Cenacle Sister Francisca and team.

MORNINGS: 10 Thursdays

Date: 16 Feb – 20 April; Time: 9.30am to 11.30am

Venue: LaSalle Centre- St. Patrick School – 490 East Coast Road

OR

EVENINGS: 10 Thursdays

Date: 16 Feb – 20 April; Time: 7.30-9.30 pm

Venue: Cana - the Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo St

Contribution: \$250.00

For registration: website: [cenaclemission.com](http://cenaclemission.com) or call 92985808







Encouraged ( Fri 17 Feb – Sun 19 Feb)

## Encouraged

*A retreat for parents & spouses  
of people who identify as LGBT*

Join us for a weekend of prayer and reflection on God's call to accompany and support our loved ones who identify as LGBT. How might you be invited to journey with them with the tenderness of God?

 Fri, 17 Feb (6.30pm) to Sun, 19 Feb 2023 (4.00pm)  
 LifeSprings Canossian Spirituality Centre

Register by  21 Jan 2023 by contacting  
[spdircourage@gmail.com](mailto:spdircourage@gmail.com). Spaces are limited



courage.sg



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

Landings (Thu 23 Feb)



## Start your Journey



Landings  
Singapore

EACH OF US HAS THE POWER TO OUR SPIRITUAL AWAKENING WITHIN OUR GRASP. YOU COULD BE LOST, SEARCHING OR YEARNING TO BE FOUND. KICKSTART YOUR JOURNEY TO A PERSONAL ENCOUNTER WITH CHRIST THROUGH LANDINGS.

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER

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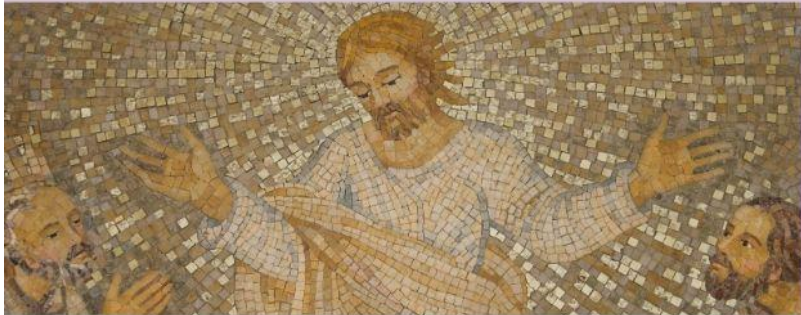
NEW JOURNEY  
COMMENCES

23RD FEB 2023, EVERY  
THURSDAY 8:00PM TO 10:00PM  
THROUGH TO 18 MAY 2023 AT  
THE CHURCH OF ST IGNATIUS

24TH FEB 2023, EVERY FRIDAY  
7:30PM TO 9:30PM THROUGH TO  
19 MAY 2023 AT THE  
CATHEDRAL OF THE GOOD  
SHEPHERD



# PER #32



PER aims to teach participants to pray authentically and deepen their relationship with God.

*The Theme,*

**"The Three Ways of the Spiritual Life"**

traces the whole spiritual journey through the Purgative, Illuminative and Unitive stages in relation to prayer. This will help participants understand their own journey in order to advance and grow in holiness.

## Prayer Experience Retreat

-  Non stay in
-  Semi-silent Retreat
-  Conducted by  
Juliana Koh &  
CSC Retreat Team

### RETREAT FEE

S\$150 (8% GST included)

### DATE & TIME

FRI to SUN  
3rd-5th MAR 2023  
9am – 6.30pm

REGISTRATION OPENS  
19 JAN 2023, THURSDAY



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## Encounter (Sat 4 Mar)

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations"*

Overseas Humanitarian Foundation Course

# ENCOUNTER- Living As Missionary Disciples



Are you called to be a Catholic Missionary Disciple?

Are you interested in overseas missionary activities or have a special level of compassion for a certain group of people? Join us and discover "what", "why", and "where" your calling may be, to be open and have a courageous heart in becoming a missionary disciple.

-  Saturday, 4 March 2023
-  9AM – 5PM
-  St. Joseph's Institution
-  Love Offering of S\$10  
(Lunch is Provided)



Find out more

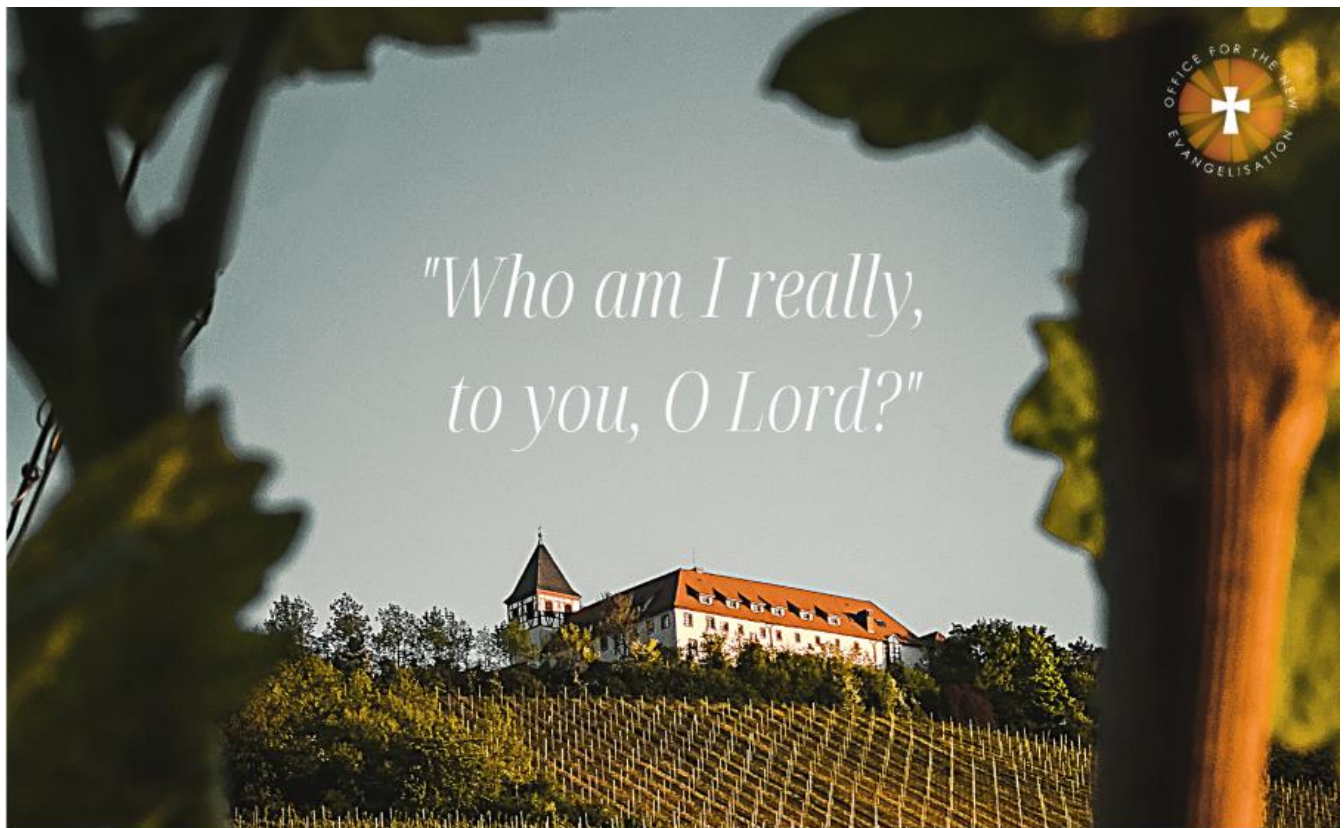


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*"Who am I really,  
to you, O Lord?"*



An experience of discovering ourselves  
through the eyes of our Father.



# LABOURERS IN THE VINEYARD RETREAT

Talks | Praise & Worship | Spiritual Sessions

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**9 – 13 March 2023**

MAJODI Centre, Johor, Malaysia

Retreat Fees: S\$400 (incl. accommodation, transport, meals)  
Retreat Master: Rev Fr. Terence Pereira and Gloria Patri Ministry  
Registration closes on 20 February 2023.  
Limited seats available, sign up today!







*Beginning Experience*  
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# BEGINNING EXPERIENCE W E E K E N D

**Divorced?  
Separated?  
Widowed?**

**Date: Friday, 10 Mar 2023 to  
Sunday, 12 Mar 2023**

**EXPERIENCE A  
WEEKEND AWAY  
FOR A LIFETIME  
OF CHANGE**

For further information, please contact:

Joseph	9661 8089
Mary	9755 4310
Jean	9828 5162

*Register your interest*  
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**WWW.BESINGAPORE.COM**







Office for the New Evangelisation

# UPCOMING EVENTS 2023

**JUL  
14 - 15**

## Catholyst Conference

Be inspired and energised to live your vocation  
and mission as the lay faithful in the world.

### Retreats



**MAR  
9 - 13**

#### Labourers in the Vineyard

A stay-in retreat to re-discover  
our identity through the eyes  
of our Heavenly Father.



**NOV  
2 - 6**

#### Watchmen

A stay-in experience to forge  
a steadfast faith for a world of  
distraction and uncertainty.

### Workshops



**FEB  
11**

#### Liturgical Booklet Group Facilitation

Get everything you need to  
confidently facilitate a Reflection  
Group with the ONE Liturgical  
Booklet.



**JUN  
3**

#### Called and Gifted

Understand your calling and  
identify your God-given charisms  
to share with others.



**AUG  
5 & 12**

#### Balik Kampong

Winning our adult children  
back to the faith.

### Formation



**SEP  
8, 15, 22, 29**

#### Faithworks

Short courses to explore how  
faith works and how to apply  
faith to various areas of life.



Our mission is to inspire and equip  
baptised Catholics to become  
missionary disciples.

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