



St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 21 May 2023 • 7th Sunday of Easter (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 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)

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

2023 Parish Census

As many things have changed since our last Parish Census eight years ago, we seek your co-operation to register your family on the SJCBT Parish Census portal before 30 June 2023.

Your information will help us to plan better programmes for you in line with our vision of building a vibrant, evangelising and missionary Church under the patronage of St Joseph.

We ask that the Catholic head of the household take the lead to complete the information for your family.

It will take a few minutes to fill in the form once you have the following information on your household members:

Name/Year of Birth/Baptism Year/Confirmation Year/Marriage Year

You can either scan the QR code or
click on the link below

to access the Parish Census form :

<https://mycatholic.sg/link/sjcbtcensus>

Thank you for participating in our 2023 Parish Census. All your information will be kept in confidence.

Gradual Resumption of Liturgical Programmes

Do take note that we will be gradually re-introducing our liturgical programmes.

In May, we will be resuming the blessing of expectant mothers on every 4th Sunday of the month at all Masses.

In June, we will be continuing with our First Friday Holy Hour at 8 pm.

In August, we will resume the First Wednesday Masses in Honour of St Joseph.

Please come join in these activities to give thanks and praise to our God.

Do note that in July, the priests will be on retreat from 3 – 7 July, and hence there will only be Communion Services at 6.30 am and 6.30 pm in the Chapel of St Joseph.

INTRODUCING OUR LITURGICAL MINISTRIES :

AUDIO-VISUAL AIDS (AVA) MINISTRY



Who we are

The Audio-Visual Aids team serves God by enhancing the “hearing” and “seeing” experience at Masses.

What we do

AVA Ministry serves the church by:

1. Providing audio, video and visual support for all church services through dedicated and committed volunteers.
2. Carrying through every service technically and efficiently, from the sound reinforcement for speakers and worship teams to the effective delivery of AV announcements.
3. Working closely with ministries to communicate relevant information from them to the congregation.

Above all this, we exist to be skillfully creative and spiritually significant for the greater glory of God.

Want to join us?

- Contact piorakesh@yahoo.com for more information or
- Talk to our friendly coordinators after weekend Masses to get more details

This last article concludes the presentation of the six Liturgical Ministries (Altar Servers, AVA, Choirs, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Hospitality and Lectors). The Liturgical Ministries ensure our Masses are adequately supported to give glory to God. Their commitment and dedication to serve the Lord is highly lauded. If you are interested in joining any of the Liturgical Ministries, you can approach the respective Coordinators.

AROUND THE PARISH

World Communication Sunday (21 May)

The collections over the weekend of 20 – 21 May (7th Sunday of Easter) will be set aside for the Archdiocesan Media Apostolate.

Faith Sharing (Thu 25 May @ 10 am)



GLAD Faith Sharing

Thursday 25 May 2023
10 am – 10.45 am
St Joseph AVA Room (Level 2, PCH)

Fr Paul Staes cism will share on
the Book of Exodus.
All are welcome

Fr Paul Staes will give an introduction to the Book of Exodus.
All are welcome.

SAHOP (Fri 26 May @ 8 pm)



"Prayer thru Music"
(brought to you by SAHOP)



Guest Speaker:
Sister Maria Lau
(Provincial IJ Sisters)

Topic:
"Discovering God's Dream for
Gloria in Excelsis Deo
with Joseph & Mary!"

Date: 26th May 2023 (Friday) at 8pm
Venue: Level 3, AVA Room
(Parish Community Hall)

"He Who Sings Prays Twice" – St. Augustine



Blessing of Expectant Mothers (Sun 28 May @ all Masses)

Blessing of
Expectant
Mothers

Every 4th Sunday
of the Month



Fathers are also invited to accompany their wives for the blessing.

Mass Timing on Fri 2 June (Public Holiday)

Morning Mass : 8 am in the Main Church (instead of 9 am)
As it is First Friday, there will be Mass at 7.15 pm, followed by Holy Hour.

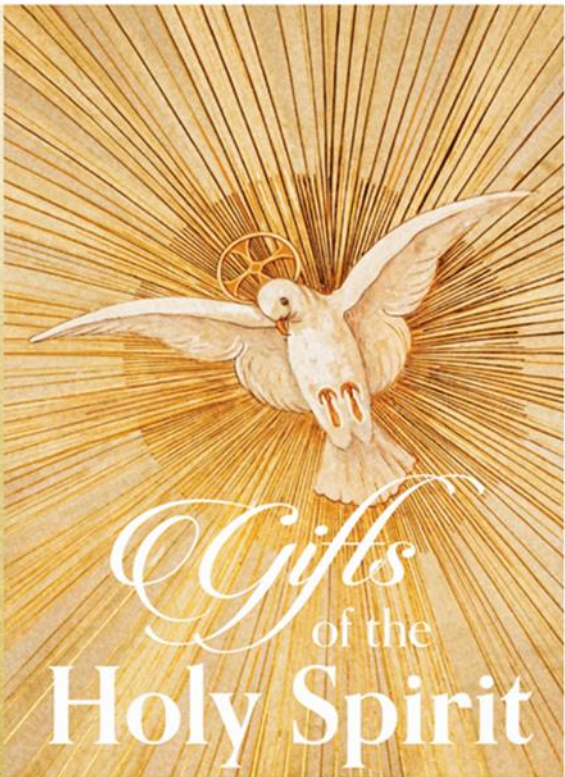
First Friday Mass and Holy Hour (Fri 2 Jun in Main Church)



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



Please join Bro Dominic Yeo-Koh as he shares on the Gift of Understanding.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults – A New Journey Begins...

Rite of Christian
Initiation of Adults
(RCIA)

Introduce a friend
to the faith... invite
them to RCIA.



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English RCIA

Commencing : Mon 26 June

Time : 8 pm – 9.45 pm

Venue : St Joseph AVA Room

Chinese RCIA

Commencing : Thurs 13 July

Time : 7.45 pm – 9.45 pm

Venue : St Joseph AVA Room.

Do note that RCIA is for non-Catholics only.

To register, go to the Church website <https://stjoseph-bt.org.sg/services>
and scroll down to RCIA and download the registration forms.
Alternatively, you can also pick up a hardcopy from the Parish Office.

First Wednesday Mass in Honour of St Joseph (resuming on 2 Aug @ 8 pm)



Resuming every First Wednesday from August
8.00 pm in Main Church

02 Aug
06 Sep
04 Oct
06 Dec

There will still be the 6.30 am Mass in the Chapel.
There will be NO 6.30 pm Mass in the Chapel.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

PIETA Singapore (Tue 23 May via zoom)

PIETA is a support group for bereaved parents who have united in faith to seek God's comfort, wisdom and hope. The session, run by bereaved parents, meets monthly to pray, reflect and break open the WORD OF GOD. We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to unite with us in faith.

Details of our next zoom session :
Date : Tue 23 May
Time : 7:30 pm to 9:15 pm
If you wish to join us, please email us directly at pieta.singapore@gmail.com for the Zoom link.



My Personal Compass (25 May – 13 Jul)



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\$70



MY PERSONAL COMPASS

Module 3: Christian Morality

BY FR DAVID GARCIA, OP

Registration URL via
Microsoft Form

📅 25 May – 13 July (excluding 29 Jun) ⌚ 7:30 pm

📍 CANA at Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo St. Level 3

Via Maria (26 – 28 May @ Montfort Centre)

CELEBRATING THE 350TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BIRTH OF ST. LOUIS MARIE DE MONTFORT



VIA MARIA

MONTFORTIAN EXPERIENCE RETREAT
HONOURING THE MONTH OF MARY

Montfort Centre 26-28 May 2023
624 Upper Bukit Timah Road 7 PM (Fri) - 1 PM (Sun)
Singapore 678212



Come, discover and experience how doing everything through, with, in and for Mary, helps us do everything more perfectly through, with, in and for Jesus!

Register here:
<https://www.montfortcentre.org/events-1/via-maria-2023>

Who Do You Say I Am? (Fri 26 May – Sun 28 May)

A poster for a retreat titled "Who Do You Say I Am?" with the subtitle "Matthew 16:15". The background is a warm, golden-hour photograph of two people sitting on a grassy bank, looking out at a body of water. The text is centered and reads: "Come away to encounter who Christ is for you in community. Open to those who are same sex attracted or identify as LGBTQ, and their loved ones who accompany them." Below this, it says "Fri, 26 May (6.30pm) to Sun, 28 May 2023 (4.00pm)" and "LifeSprings Canossian Spirituality Centre". A registration link is provided: "Kindly register by 16 May at tinyurl.com/couragegayretreat". A QR code is on the right. At the bottom left, a small text block says: "Providing care for men and women experiencing same sex attraction to know God's love & support his loved ones accompanying, with presence to keep their faith and family." The "COURAGE" logo is at the bottom center, and "courage.sg" and "courage.org.sg" are at the bottom right.

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COURAGE

courage.sg
courage.org.sg

A Closer Walk With You (1 – 30 Jun)

A poster for a charity walk titled "A Closer Walk With You". The left side features a photograph of a diverse group of people (a man, a woman, an older couple, and a child) walking together in a park. The "Catholic Family Life" logo is in the top left. The right side has a white background with teal text and graphics. The title "A Closer Walk With You" is in a large, teal script font. Below it, the text reads: "A Charity walk with family, for families", "1 June - 30 June 2023", "Join & Donate", and "Walk & Raise Funds". A QR code is on the left with the text "Scan & Walk to Support our Mission". At the bottom right, there are teal silhouettes of families walking. The background of the right side has faint, light-colored footprints.

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A **Charity** walk with family, for families

1 June - 30 June 2023
Join & Donate
Walk & Raise Funds

Scan & Walk to Support our Mission

Catholic Family Life



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YOUTH CAMP

DO YOU FEEL CALLED TO SERVE
THE LESS FORTUNATE?

CALLING ALL YOUTH AGES 14-35



"HE HAS SENT ME TO BRING
GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR"

LUKE 4:18

2-4 JUNE
2023

\$40/YOUTH*
*\$35/YOUTH IF YOU BRING A FRIEND

 FMM RETREAT HOUSE
49 HOLLAND RD
SINGAPORE 258849

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, SINGAPORE (SSVP)
For inquiries, email us at youthexco@ssvpsingapore.org

2023 **CARITAS
YOUNG
ADULTS**

SCAN TO REGISTER



Life Without Strife:
Choosing What Is Truly Important



3 June 2023



10 AM - 12 PM



CANA at Catholic Centre, 55 Waterloo St. Level 3

Fee: Free (Love offering welcome)

Abundant & Better Life Abroad (AbBA)



ABUNDANT & BETTER LIFE ABROAD (AbBA)

COMMUNITY | GROUP SHARING | REFLECTION

A four-week values formation programme run by migrants for migrants!

Discover more about **yourself, people that you meet, work and community** through experiential learning.

Joint collaboration between:



DETAILS

4, 11, 18, 25 June (Sundays)*

1pm to 5pm

Church of St Bernadette,
12 Zion Rd
Singapore 247731

*Please take note of the rooms:
- Canteen (For lunch and tea break)
- Parish Hall (For sessions)

Scan the QR code to register



Assisi Fun Day (Sun 11 Jun)

Assisi Fun Day 2023

Assisi Hospice is a Catholic organisation that provides care for patients with terminal illnesses.



BUY COUPONS Or DONATE Here!

- ♥ **Buy Carnival Coupons** from the Assisi Fun Day Booth outside your church to support the event! **Proceeds from the event will go towards supporting needy patients.**
- ♥ **Join us at our fundraising carnival Assisi Fun Day on 11 Jun** for a fun and meaningful day!
- ♥ **Support someone-in-need through "Give-A-Gift"!** Make a \$50 donation to give a gift of Assisi Fun Day coupons to Assisi Hospice's patient or someone in need for purchase of food and products at the Assisi Fun Day Carnival. We hope to bring joy to 700 patients and needy persons through this initiative.





AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

CHARIS Humanitarian Forum and Fair (24 Jun)



Humanitarian
Forum and Fair

Saturday, 24 June 2023

9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Catholic Junior College
(Performing Arts Centre)

"We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other".



MASS CELEBRANT



Cardinal William Goh
Roman Catholic Archbishop of Singapore

His Eminence Cardinal William Goh assumed the office of Archbishop of Singapore in 2013, and he was elevated to the College of Cardinals in 2022.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Dr Noeleen Heyzer
United Nations Special Envoy

First woman to serve as Executive Secretary of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), between 2007 and 2014.



Friar Derrick Yap, OFM

Custos (Regional Superior) for the friars in Singapore and Malaysia as well as the Spiritual Assistant to the Secular Franciscans in Singapore.

Join us as we learn from practitioners of humanitarian work as they share their experiences whilst serving in areas of natural disasters, refugees and the poor.

Visit our website to register via our online form:
www.charis-singapore.org/hff2023



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Landings



PHONE

now

Whether you've been away from church for a short while or a long time, know that you are never alone. We are here for you, ready to listen, support, and uplift you. Reconnect with your Catholic roots and rediscover the love and mercy of our faith.

Missed Call

A new 10-week Landings journey awaits 4 September through 14 November 2023. Contact us to find out more.



returning@landings.org.sg



SCAN ME

www.landings.org.sg



VERBUM DEI FAMILY CAMP

A Family that Prays TOGETHER Stays TOGETHER

1 - 3 SEPTEMBER 2023
LE GRANDEUR PALM RESORT
(SENAI, JB)

This is your chance!

Extremely difficult to find time to pray as a family? Or... no idea how to even start? Come away with your kids to our family camp with our Verbum Dei Missionaries and families this September holidays!

Hear from fellow Catholic parents about their life experiences and sharings on how to grow closer to God as a family. Kids programme for ages 3 – 12 years will be provided. We promise a spirit-filled getaway with plenty of fun, food and fellowship!

- Date:** 1 - 3 September 2023 (3 days, 2 nights)
Venue: Le Grandeur Palm Resort (Senai, JB)
Cost: Twin - Sharing
\$270 per adult
\$120 per child
(5-12 years old with no extra bed)
\$160 per child (with extra bed)
(Free for children below 5)
Meals: Full board (2 x breakfast, 2 x lunch, 2 x dinner and 2 x tea breaks included)
Transport: Own transport
Free WiFi
Registration Closing Date: 16 July 2023

For enquiry, please contact Diana:
Email: vdeifamilies@gmail.com
Mobile: 9689 0919

Scan the QR code or visit <https://tinyurl.com/VdeiFC2023> to register.





Clarity Circle - Gather

Mental health journeys can often be difficult or isolating. To encourage **psychosocial support**, Gather is a monthly gathering for individuals with lived experience/mental health concerns to **connect, grow, and spend quality time** with one another. Gather provides a platform for individuals with mental health concerns to journey together through **meaningful activities** and be part of a **supportive mental health community**.

ADULT (36-55 YEARS OLD): 11AM-12PM
YOUTH (18-35 YEARS OLD): 3PM-4PM

Online via Zoom

- 17 MARCH**
- 19 MAY**
- 21 JULY**
- 15 SEPTEMBER**
- 17 NOVEMBER**

F2F at Clarity Yishun

- 21 APRIL**
- 16 JUNE***
- 18 AUGUST**
- 20 OCTOBER***

*Combined adult and youth session, timing will be 2pm-4pm
(Dates are subject to change)

Register at: tinyurl.com/ccgather2023 or scan the QR code



CBN Leadership Program

"Journey with Christ" 2023

How to be an effective leader in the workplace?



**16 Weeks + 6-12 months of Individual Mentorship
Designed by a Panel of Catholic Leaders & Priests**

**Inviting all Aspiring, Young Christian Leaders seeking a
Spiritual Journey with meaningful careers.**

June – September 2023
\$500 (Individual) | \$800 (Corporate)



Scan QR Code for more information and to register
Contact us: errolmas65@gmail.com/91117325

