





# St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 16 Jul 2023 • 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time (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

### 1. Resumption of Confession in the Reconciliation Rooms

Confessions from this weekend will be held in the two Reconciliation Rooms 15 mins before all weekend Masses.

### 2. Scripture Series

Fr Ambrose Vaz will resume the Scripture Series every Thursday morning from 9 am to 10.45 am in St Joseph AVA Room.

The Scripture Series started in our parish in 2018 but was put on hold during COVID.

Fr Vaz will cover the entire bible in about a year. Please register early and also help to spread the word.

### 3. SJC Ministry Fair (Sun 16 Jul from 8 am to 2 pm)

Do drop by the Parish Community Hall to visit the SJC Ministry Fair.

This is especially organised for our teens to familiarise themselves with what our Ministries do. Door gifts have also been prepared for them.

### 4. Kanektas 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Congratulations to Kanektas Youth Ministry on their 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

I would like to extend our appreciation to the youths (both past and present members) for their services to the Church over the last 19 years, especially in organising the confirmation camps. I encourage our teens to join the Kanektas especially after your confirmation.

To commemorate the occasion, they will be organizing :

- a) Youth Rally : Sat 22 Jul @ 7.30 pm in Parish Community Hall
- b) Youth Mass : Sun 23 Jul @ 11.30 am Mass

Please support the team's activities next week.

### 5. Hospitality Ministry Recruitment

We are in need of more Hospitality Ministry members to support our Masses. If you can render your services, please contact any of the wardens after Mass. You can also visit the Ministry Fair to speak with any of the wardens on duty.

### 6. Archdiocesan Pastoral Council (APC) Intercessory Prayers (Wed 16 Aug @ 8 pm)

We will be hosting the APC Intercessory Prayers in our Church on Wed 16 Aug. We look forward to your participation.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scripture Series by Fr Ambrose Vaz (commencing on 03 Aug 2023)

### Scripture Series : Part I – Leviticus / Numbers / Deuteronomy



*Ignorance of Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.  
(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 133)*

The Scripture Series by Fr Ambrose Vaz is back in St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah).

Time : 9 am to 10.45 am

Venue : St Joseph AVA Room

St Joseph's Church (BT)

Dates : Aug : 03/10/ 17/24/31

Sep : 14/21/28



Registration Link :

<https://forms.gle/cwToiEaEr8KqNQYw8>

## Teen Faith Formation

### Volunteers needed!

Help us to create a space where teens can

1. Encounter God
2. Build a Christ-centered community
3. Learn to be disciples

Scan this QR code for  
more information



The parish is setting up a new community to cater to the 13-16 year olds of our parish, to provide a space where teens can encounter God, build a Christ-centered community and learn to be disciples. Volunteers are needed to help plan and execute events, and to be mentors and friends to the teens. Scan the QR Code to find out more.

Hospitality Ministry Recruitment

Interested in Joining Us?

We strongly encourage and welcome all who wish to serve the Lord by being a member of the Ministry of Hospitality.

If you are a Catholic and above 21 years of age, willing to serve the Lord through this ministry, we will be happy for you to join us.

Please drop us a mail at: [hospitality.ministry.sjc@gmail.com](mailto:hospitality.ministry.sjc@gmail.com) or speak to any of our ministry members after the Mass.

Thank you!

Hospitality Ministry Recruitment



SJC Ministry Fair (Sat 16 Jul)



# SJC MINISTRY FAIR

**A TIME TO DISCOVER WHAT LIFE AFTER CONFIRMATION LOOKS LIKE!**

**Join us on 16 July 2023 at  
St Thomas Aquinas (#02-01) &  
& St Bonaventure (#02-02) from 8am to 2pm!**

Participating Ministries: Kanektas Youth Ministry, Society of St Vincent De Paul (Youth), Laudato Si, Primary Catechesis, Secondary Catechesis, Family Formation, CGS & Altar Servers



GET YOURSELF  
A FREE DOOR GIFT PREPARED  
BY THE MINISTRIES!









Come and visit the Ministry Fair and discover what our Ministries do.  
The Fair is open to all especially our teens who are looking for a Ministry to serve in.  
Parents, do bring your children to visit the Fair.

Holy Hour for Vocations (Thu 20 Jul @ 8 pm)



Come, join our seminarians from St Francis Xavier Major Seminary as they facilitate this Holy Hour to pray for vocations.

Venue : Chapel of St Joseph



Prayer thru Music (Fri 21 Jul @ 8 pm)



# Prayer thru Music

brought to you by SAHOP –  
(Sing A Hymn of Praise) to God



**Topic:**  
**Conversation thru Music**

**Guest Speaker:**

**Rev Fr Edward Seah**

**SFX Major Seminary**

**(Friday) 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023 @ 8pm**

**Level 3, AVA Room (Parish Community Hall)**

*"He Who Sings Prays Twice" – St. Augustine*

Ave Maria Family Rosary (Sat 22 Jul @ 6.30 pm)

## Ave Maria Family Rosary

**Date:** *22 July 2023 (Saturday)*

**Time:** *6:30pm - 9:00pm*

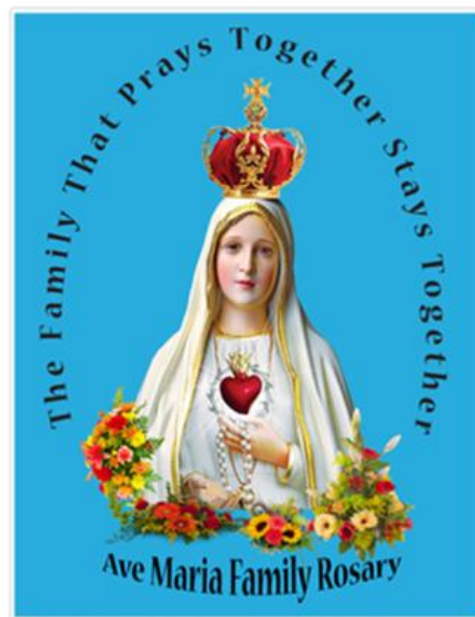
**Venue:** *St. Joseph AVARoom*

*Level 2, Parish Community Hall*

*You are invited to join the Filipino Community as they pray the Holy Rosary and meditate on the Word of God (Sunday Gospel Reading).*

*All are welcome!*

*Light refreshments will be provided.*



To register, please visit: <https://forms.gle/1pjg991of91S6NiU6>

For enquiry, please contact: **Maricon @ 9227 1576** or visit

<https://www.facebook.com/avemariafamilyrosary?mibextid=LQQJ4d>


## Kanektas 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Youth Rally (Sat 22 Jul @ 7.30 pm)



Calling all Youth and Young Adults!  
Come join the Kanektas as we celebrate our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a night of praise and thanksgiving!  
All are welcome!

## First Wednesday Mass in Honour of St Joseph (resuming on 2 Aug)

**MASS IN HONOUR OF  
ST JOSEPH**



**Every First Wednesday  
Main Church**

**2 Aug / 6 Sep / 4 Oct / 6 Dec**  
**7.30 pm : St Joseph Rosary**  
**8.00 pm Mass**

To honour our patron saint, we will pray the St Joseph rosary at 7.30 pm followed by Mass at 8.00 pm.

The 6.30 am Mass in the Chapel will continue.

There will be NO 6.30 pm Mass in the Chapel.



Infant Baptism (deadline for registration Fri 11 Aug)

2023 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



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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 1 Oct @ 1.30 pm	Sun 3 Sep 2023	24 Sep 2023	Fri 11 Aug 2023

Boys' Town 75th Anniversary Church Collections 2023 (12 – 13 Aug)

BOYS' TOWN  
75th Anniversary  
CHURCH COLLECTIONS

Helping children and youth in need since 1948 **2023**



MAKE A LOVE OFFERING!  
DONATE VIA PAYNOW:

Using your bank's payment app, you can donate to us by scanning the QR code or keying in our UEN No.:

**BOYS' TOWN FUND RAISING**  
**UEN: 201534576H007**

For tax deduction purposes, kindly key in your information using the template below under **"Reference"**

**CC <space> NRIC <space> Mobile No.**

Physical collections will be on a weekend in **August 2023**.  
Look out for our friendly Boys' Town Staff who are more than happy to assist you with any inquiries you may have!



Staff/volunteers from Boys' Town will be in the parish during the weekend of 12th & 13th Aug 2023 to raise funds for their programmes and operations.

Together, we can help make a difference in these young lives!

We thank you for your kindness and support!

# AROUND THE PARISH

Parish Assembly (Mon 13 Nov from 9 am to 11.30 am)

## 2023 PARISH ASSEMBLY

DATE : MON 13 NOV 2023  
TIME : 9 AM – 11.30 AM  
VENUE : PARISH COMMUNITY HALL  
MASS : 11.30 AM IN CHURCH

Come and share your views on how to achieve our vision to becoming a vibrant, evangelising and missionary church, under the patronage of St Joseph.



### What is a Parish Assembly?

The Parish Assembly is the gathering of the parish, during which the pastoral concern(s) of the parish are examined.

*Article 10 of the Constitution of the Parish Pastoral Council in the Archdiocese of Singapore*

Do make the time to participate in our Parish Assembly to hear the upcoming plans and to share your feedback.

We will also be giving an update on action undertaken since the last Parish Assembly in 2019.

# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Mass for Catholic Nurses & Allied Healthcare Professionals (Sun 23 Jul @ 5 pm)

## Mass & blessing for Catholic Nurses & Allied Healthcare Professionals



**J**oin us for the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the Catholic Nurses' Guild of Singapore with His Excellency Archbishop Marek Zalewski, Papal Nuncio to Singapore



The event will include the Eucharist; the Nurses' pledge & the Blessing of hands.

- Date: Sunday July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023. Time: 5.00 pm.
- Venue: Church of Christ the King, AMK, Av.8.
- After Mass, there will be a dinner.
- Tickets for the dinner is S\$15/- pax.
- Please register via QR code or contact the following:-
- Contact: Maria - 96610818 ; Yvonne - 81210988; Geraldine – 81131673;

• Special jubilee tote bag for those who register.  
Don't miss this chance to celebrate Catholic Nurses & Allied Healthcare Professional's Day with His Excellency Marek Zalewski, the Papal Nuncio.

**Please register asap !**



# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## PIETA Singapore (Tue 25 Jul @ 7.30 pm 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 session via zoom :  
Date : Tue 25 Jul 2023  
Time : 7:30pm to 9:15pm

If you wish to join us, please email us directly at [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com) for the Zoom link.

Our contact details are  
email: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com)  
facebook: <https://facebook.com/PietaSingapore>  
website: [www.PietaSingapore.org](http://www.PietaSingapore.org)

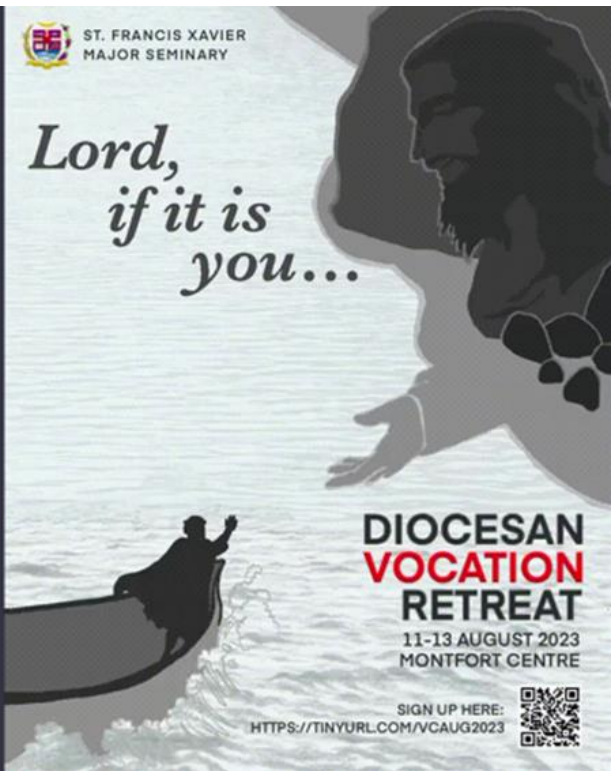


## SFXMS Annual Vocation Discernment Retreat (11 – 13 Aug)

### SFX Major Seminary Annual Vocation Discernment Retreat

Dates: 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> Aug 2023 (Stay-in)  
Open to men ages 21-35. Priority for  
first-timers.

Sign up at [tinyurl.com/vcaug2023](https://tinyurl.com/vcaug2023) or  
visit [seminary.catholic.sg](http://seminary.catholic.sg) for more  
information



For those who are interested in just finding out more about the diocesan priesthood, it is highly recommended that you attend this 3-day-2-night retreat, it serves as an excellent introduction into the life of a priest and also the seminary.

As there are limited seats over at the retreat centre, please do sign up soon as the slots fill up fast. You may scan the above QR code, or find the link to the sign-up form on Catholic SG or the Seminarians Instagram or Facebook platform



# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## Verbum Dei Family Camp (1 – 3 Sep)

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](mailto:vdeifamilies@gmail.com)  
Mobile: 9689 0919

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

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## Landings (4 Sep – 14 Nov)



**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](mailto:returning@landings.org.sg)

 **SCAN ME**

[www.landings.org.sg](http://www.landings.org.sg)

Spirituality for the 2nd Half of Life (8 – 10 Sep)



A Cenacle Programme



SPIRITUALITY FOR THE 2ND HALF OF LIFE –  
**THE MIDLIFE TRANSITION**

Sept 8-10, 2023 (Friday evening - Sunday afternoon)

Venue: La Salle House

For ages between 40 to 60yo



Rest, Relish & Recharge! By the Beach (21 – 24 Sept)



**Beach Retreat**

*Rest,  
Relish &  
Recharge!*

**Sept 21-24, 2023**



By Cenacle Sisters, Singapore  
 [www.cenaclemission.com](http://www.cenaclemission.com)

Feeling tired from work, daily routines and ministry?

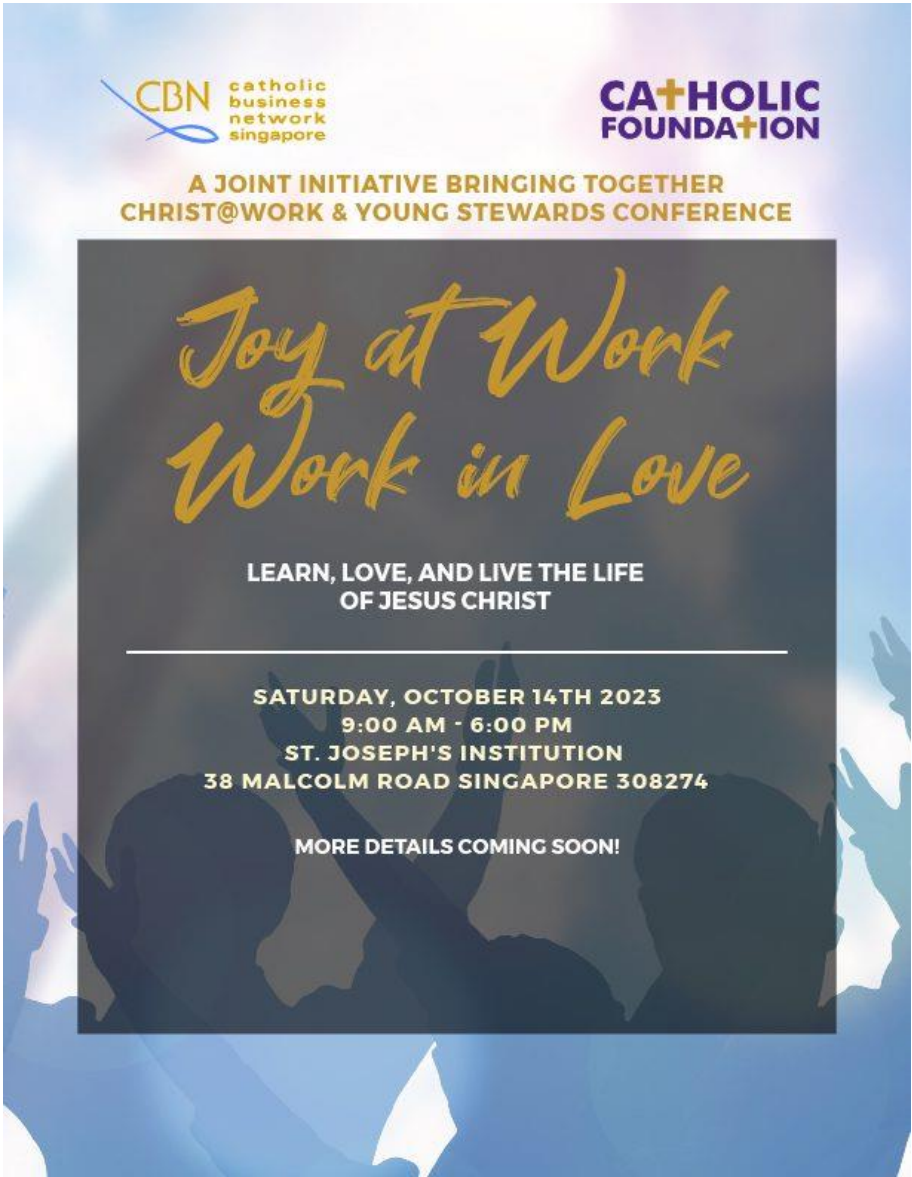
Almost at the brink of burn-out yet having no-where safe to go?

Let us go to a quiet place and rest in the Lord. This retreat is suitable for active servers and/or those taking a break from ministry to grow & deepen our relationship with self and with God.

Accompanied by Sr. Kriz & team, through an arrangement of leisure activities, these days of reflection and prayer hope to find God in all things & time.

# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## Young Stewards Conference (Sat 14 Oct)



## Quieting the Soul by Cenacle Sisters and Team

A silent 8-full day or 5-full day retreat set in the beautiful environment of the Seven Fountains Retreat Center in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

Three choices of dates (includes travel time) :

- 1) 8 days – Nov.26 – Dec. 5, 2023
- 2) 5 days – Nov. 29 - Dec -5, 2023
- 3) 5-days – Dec. 7 – Dec. 13, 2023

Closing date: 15 September or when registration is full

Contact : 9298-5808 / 9722-3148.

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