

St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 31 Dec 2023 • Holy Family (Year B)



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

Feast of the Holy Family



Rafael Flores - The Holy Family

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is normally celebrated on the Sunday after Christmas. This feast developed at the beginning of the 19th century in Canada and then spread to the entire Church in 1920. At first, it was celebrated on the Sunday after Epiphany. It is a Feast that seeks to portray the Holy Family of Nazareth as the "true model of life" from which our families can draw inspiration and know where to find help and comfort.

Extracted from the Vatican News

In Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God for all His blessings throughout 2023!

It has been a fruitful year for us at St Joseph's Church with God's grace and providence.



Just as we welcomed our blessed Saviour on Christmas morning, let us always keep Him close to us as His bountiful love will see us through trials that may come our way.

We entrust 2024 into God's hands, that He will protect us and care for us.

Remember to be grateful and never take God's blessings for granted.

Blessed New Year

The priests of the parish –

Fr Christopher Lee, Msgr Peter Zhang and Fr Lourdusamy Prasanna - wish all parishioners a blessed New Year filled with God's graces. May 2024 augur good tidings for all.



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Mon 01 Jan 2024 @ 8 am)

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (01 Jan)

On the first day of the New Year, we celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God.

The title "Mother of God" is a western derivation from the Greek Theotokos, which means "God-bearer".

As we start our new year, let us take a moment to honor our Blessed Mother, who in her "yes" to God brought our Savior into the world to redeem us.

It is a reminder of the role she played in the salvation of humankind.



As 01 Jan is a public holiday, there will only be one Mass at 8.00 am in the Main Church.

Tamil Carols



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You can invite the Tamil community to sing at your homes during this Christmas season.

They will be at these venues at the designated dates. Kindly Scan the QR code to Register.

For more info contact, Priya at 81390982

Dates & Locations

Bukit Panjang: 5-7 Jan 2024



Canteen & Bookshop Closure Dates

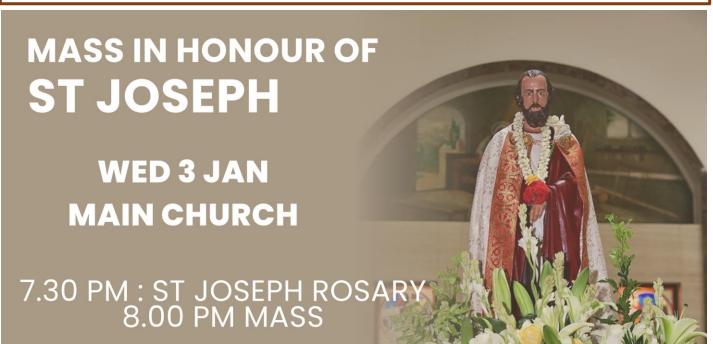


Please note that the Canteen will be closed on New Year's Eve 31 Dec.

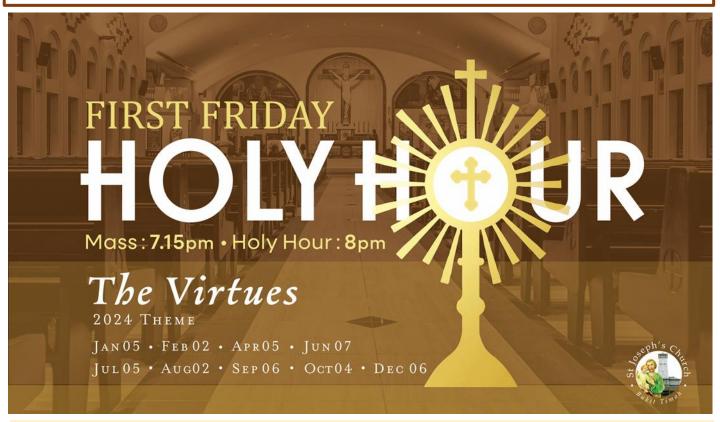


The Media Centre will be closed on 30 & 31 Dec. It will re-open on 6 & 7 Jan 2024.

2024 First Wednesday - Mass in Honour of St Joseph



2024 First Friday Holy Hour: Theme - Virtues



This year, our theme for the Holy Hour sessions will be on "Virtues".

Join us on Fri 5 Jan as Bro Dominic Yeo-Koh will reflect on the virtuous person and the meaning of virtue.

Do come and join us. .

Scripture Series : Part III - Ruth & Samuel

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Ignorance of Scriptures is ignorance of Christ. (Catechism of the Catholic C<u>hurch</u>, 133) Time : 9 am to 10.45 am

Venue: St Joseph AVA Room

St Joseph's Church (BT)

Dates: Jan 11 / 18 / 25

Feb 01 / 15 / 22 / 29

Mar 07 / 14 / 21

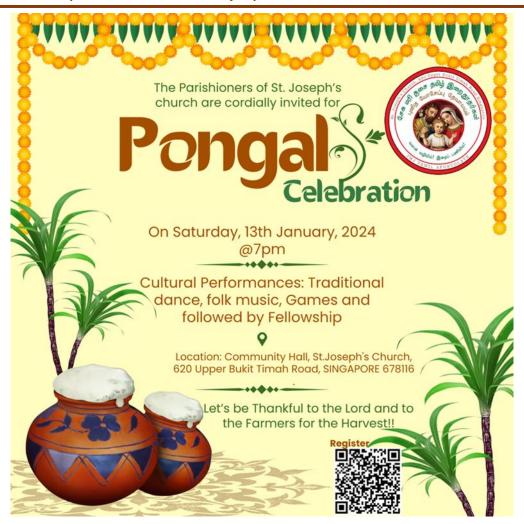
(10 sessions)

Registration Link:

https://forms.gle/ZiFfpF1UZPpUD9ncA



Pongal Celebration (Sat 13 Jan 2024 @ 7 pm)



2024 Holy Hour for Vocations

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Thu 18 Jan 2024

Time: 8 pm

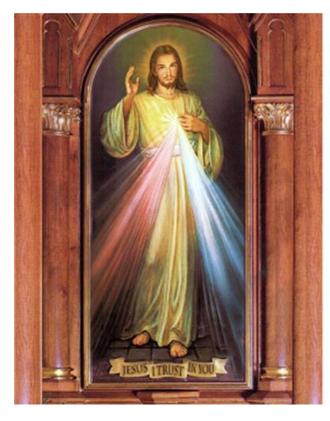
Venue: Chapel of St Joseph

The seminarians from St Francis Xavier Major Seminary will be leading the Holy Hour every third Thursday of the month to pray for Vocations.

Please come and join them to pray for vocations to the priesthood!



Divine Mercy 22nd Anniversary Mass



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Fri 19 Jan 2024 in Main Church

Program:

7.00 pm : Divine Mercy Prayers

7.30 pm: Holy Mass

8.00 pm: Potluck (Canteen)

ALL ARE WELCOME

Please note that there will be no 6.30

pm Mass in the Chapel

Commencement of Catechism

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| | Primary Catechesis | Secondary Catechesis |
|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Commencement | Sat 20 Jan 2024 | Sun 18 Feb 2024 |
| Time | 3.00 pm | 9.30 am |
| Assemble in | Parish Community Hall | Parish Community Hall |
| Parents Briefing | Sat 20 Jan 2024 | Sun 28 Jan 2024 |
| (compulsory) | 3.00 pm – 4.30 pm | 9.00 am – 12 nn |
| | Parish Community Hall | Parish Community Hall |

Note:

- 1. Children who are already attending catechism, need not re-register.
- 2. Parents of registered children will be added to WhatsApp chatgroups for ease of communication.

Registration for Primary Catechism

Primary Catechesis 2024: Registration



- Children who are already attending catechism, need not re-register.
- For those who have yet to register, please go to
 https://mycatholic.sg/welcome and log in using your child's
 myCatholicSG account and select "Catechesis" on the main page.
- If you have any queries regarding the registration, please email: primarycatechesis@stjoseph-bt.org.sg
- For technical queries for myCatholicSG account registration, please email: mycatholicsg@catholic.org.sg

Scan to access the user guide on registering the child



Scan to access the user guide on linking the parent to the child's account



Please note that the Archdiocese is introducing on-line registrations from 2024 onwards for all first time registrations for Primary Catechism. Please follow the instructions to register your children.

Prayer thru Music (Fri 26 Jan @ 8 pm)



Prayer thru Music
brought to you by SAHOP





Guest Speaker: Mr Zerah Goh

Executive Director of Montfort Centre

Scan to follow us:

Friday 26th January 2024 @ 8pm Level 3, AVA Room Parish Community Hall

E-mail: sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com

"He Who Sings Prays Twice" - St. Augustine

No Dumping on Church Grounds



As you are spring cleaning your homes, please do not dispose of your unwanted items on the Church premises.

Of late, we have been finding bags of discarded items, many of which are not reusable.

Please be considerate and dispose of these unwanted items appropriately in the garbage bins located at your homes, and do not impose upon our staff to clear up your unwanted items.

Laudato Si

Please note that with effect from 2024, the Laudato Si team will be progressing to up-cycling efforts. We will be ceasing all collection of pre-loved items.

The team thanks parishioners for your support over the past year.



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

My Personal Compass: Shortened Edition by Fr David Garcia, OP



Come and get introduced to the basics of morality in an increasingly complex world. Build an ethical foundation to journey towards fulfilling your potential as a human person made in the image of God. To register, please visit our website at https://tinyurl.com/y38faeyr or scan the QR code. For enquiries, please email Caritas Singapore at mpmc@caritas-singapore.org

Family Conference 2024 (27 Jan 2024)



Landings (from 15 Feb 2024)



Landings Singapore presents a new 10-week programme for Catholics seeking a reconnection to the faith. It runs from 15 February 2024 through 9 May 2024. All sessions will be held in person at the Church of St Ignatius on Thursdays from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm. We invite you to register your interest at returning@landings.org.sg or visit www.landings.org.sg

Lead Like Jesus (LLJ)



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A foundational course based on the servant leadership modelled by Jesus Christ. In the sessions, we will explore the 4 domains of leading like Jesus: the heart, head, hands and habits.



