



# St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

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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



### Apostolic Journey of His Holiness Pope Francis

As our Holy Father embarks on this Apostolic Journey to the region,  
please continue to pray for his good health and safety.

We must also pray for all the volunteers who have been working  
behind the scenes to prepare for this historic visit. Many of our  
Liturgical Ministry members are serving at the Papal Mass and have  
given of their time selflessly. I wish to extend my appreciation to  
them.

For our parishioners who have been successful in securing a ticket for  
the Papal Mass, please refer to the official papal website :

<https://www.popefrancis2024.sg/>

You will find the latest updates on :

- The Papal Mass
- Going to The National Stadium: public transport and drop off points
- Dressing Up for The Papal Mass
- Conditions of entry: what I can and cannot bring into the stadium
- Mass Programme

Do familiarize yourself with this.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Lourdes Experience (Sat 7 Dec)



## THE 5<sup>TH</sup> LOURDES Experience



Inviting Wheelchair / Bed /  
Trolley-Bound Pilgrims

If you wish to be allocated a space on the  
Premier Floor for Wheelchair/Bed/  
Trolley, please complete a Malade  
Application Form, signed by a medical  
practitioner.

One seat will also be allocated to an  
accompanying caregiver.

Pick up Malade Application Form  
from Parish Office

This first call is for the registration of the wheelchair / bed / trolley  
bound pilgrims only.

Boys' Town Church Collection



# BOYS' TOWN CHURCH COLLECTIONS 2024

Helping children and  
youth in need since 1948

## MAKE A LOVE OFFERING! DONATE VIA PAYNOW:

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



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**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 31 Aug & 1 Sep 2024. Our  
friendly Boys' Town Staff will be more than happy to  
assist you with any enquiries!



Staff/volunteers from Boys' Town will be in the parish on 31 Aug & 1 Sep 2024 for physical collections. All funds raised will go towards their programmes and operations. Together, we can help make a difference in these young lives!

### Information Session on Catechetical Ministries (Sun 1 Sep @ 10.30 am)

# Be a Catechist

PLANT **Faith** • GROW **Hope** • HARVEST **Love**

## INFORMATION SESSION ON CATECHETICAL MINISTRIES

DATE : SUNDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER 2024

TIME : 10:30 AM

VENUE : ST JOSEPH AVA ROOM  
(COMMUNITY HALL BUILDING)



The role of a catechist is always to set hearts aflame for Christ. If you are interested to know more, please come join in the briefing session on 1 Sep.

Please register via the link <https://tinyurl.com/Catechetical>



Tuesday Morning Prayer Features : The SEARCH (Tue 03 Sep @ 9 am)

"Will our kids stay Catholic when they grow up?"



"Either life is an accident or a beautiful mystery..."







"My life has a purpose!"

"Where am I going?"



THE  
**SEARCH**

BROUGHT TO YOU FROM  
**FORMED**

What is the meaning of life? Who is Jesus?  
Is God real?

- Join THE SEARCH starting 27 August
- Tues 9am, St Joseph AVA Room
- Non-Christians Welcome!
- Other timings available

Join in THE SEARCH, a video programme every Tuesday 9am at St Joseph AVA Room. Explore themes such as 'What is the meaning of life?' 'Is God real?', and 'Why do we need a Church?'. All are welcome, including non-Christians.

Please register at: [tinyurl.com/SJCBTSearch2024](https://tinyurl.com/SJCBTSearch2024)

If you are not able to attend on Tuesdays but are interested in the programme, please fill in the registration form as well.

Explore Pope Francis' Encyclicals ( Tue 03 Sep @ 8 pm / Wed 04 Sep @ 9am)

Explore  
Pope Francis'  
Encyclicals

12 weekly sessions  
6 Aug - 22 Oct 2024  
Tues 8pm or Wed 9am  
Online via Zoom

FAITH & BIBLE  
REFLECTIONS





**First Wed : Mass in Honour of St Joseph (Wed 04 Sep)**

# **MASS IN HONOUR OF ST JOSEPH**

**WED 04 SEP  
MAIN CHURCH**

**7.30 PM : ST JOSEPH ROSARY  
8.00 PM MASS**



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

**First Friday Mass and Holy Hour (Fri 06 Sep)**

# **FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR**

**Friday 06 Sep**

**7.15 PM : Mass**

**8.00 PM : Holy Hour**

**Speaker : Fr Christopher Lee**

**Venue : Main Church**



The focus of the Holy Hour will be to pray for our Holy Father as he embarks on his apostolic journey to the region; and to ask for God's blessings of unity and hope for the Church in Singapore.

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



Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Sat 7 & Sun 8 Sep)

Legion of Mary celebrates Our Lady's Birthday

"PRAISE HER WITH A FLOWER"  
(\*7 & 8 September 2024)

Flowers will be distributed at St Joachim's Room (next to canteen) and outside church entrances. The roses can be placed at Our Lady's statues and/or icons. Love offerings are welcome.



"THE ROSARY IS A SCHOOL OF PRAYER.  
THE ROSARY IS A SCHOOL OF FAITH!"  
- Pope Francis

Join the Legion of Mary for Garden Rosary on Sat 7 Sep after the Sunset Mass.

2025 Bible Diaries (Sat 7 & Sun 8 Sep)

Bible Diary 2025 : 365 Days with the Lord



Now available from the Media Centre  
(Bookshop)  
Price: \$20  
Get your copy now!



The Daughters of St Paul will also be selling the diaries on the weekend of 7 & 8 Sept at the foyer of the main Church.

# Scripture Series : Part VI – Books of Ezra & Nehemiah

## By Fr Ambrose Vaz



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

Time : 9 am to 10.45 am  
Venue : St Joseph AVA Room  
St Joseph's Church (BT)  
Dates : 19 / 26 Sep  
03 / 10 / 17 Oct  
(5 sessions)

No registration required. All are welcome.  
Do bring along your bibles.



Journey through the bible with bible scholar, Fr Ambrose Vaz. We will be commencing on the historical Books of Ezra and Nehemiah from 19 Sept for 5 sessions.  
All are welcome. Do bring along your bibles.

Prayer thru Music (Fri 27 Sep @ 8 pm)



**Prayer Through Music ©**  
(Brought to you by SAHOP)

**COME JOIN US!**

- High-Energy Praise Songs
- Gospel & Scriptures
- Intercessory / Healing
- Spiritual & Inspiration Talk
- Hymnal
- Community Bonding

Sharing by  
**Sister Elizabeth Sim**

**"The Spirit is Alive  
and active in your Life."**

(Friday) 27 September 2024 @ 8:00pm,  
Level 3, AVA Room, Parish Community Hall

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

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Art and Faith Talk : Marian Art (Sat 5 Oct @ 3 pm)

AN  
ART&FAITH  
TALK



# MARY, THE MOST PAINTED WOMAN IN HISTORY

See how artists have interpreted the main dogmas of Catholic Mariology such as the Virgin Birth of Jesus, Immaculate Conception and Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Marvel at the beautiful depictions of the Mother of God, and through these paintings sense the veneration accorded to her from ages past and across cultures.

Sat 5th October,  
3.00-4.45pm

St Joseph's Church (BT)  
Parish Community Hall

Speaker:  
Patricia Tan



Appeal for Typhoon Gaemi Relief

FUNDRAISING APPEAL





**TYPHOON GAEMI RELIEF**

HELP OUR  
NEIGHBOURS IN  
NEED TODAY!



Scan to Donate

Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives, Singapore (CHARIS), is making an appeal for those affected by the recent Typhoon Gaemi.


You can donate via credit card or PayNow through CHARIS website. Alternatively, you can send a crossed cheque payable to “Humanitarian Aid Fund”, indicate “Typhoon Gaemi Relief” at the back of the cheque, send the cheque to: CHARIS, 55 Waterloo Street, #07-02 Catholic Centre, Singapore 187954.

Please contact CHARIS at 6337-4119 or scan the QR code to visit their website for more information.

JC / IB Exam Mass & Recollection (Fri 6 Sep @ 2pm)

**JC/IB  
EXAM MASS &  
RECOLLECTION**

Friday, 6 Sept 2024 | 2pm - 5pm  
Catholic Centre, L8 (55 Waterloo Street)  
Sign Up: [tinyurl.com/JCIBexammass24](https://tinyurl.com/JCIBexammass24)



Calling all JC/IB students, this is your invitation to join the upcoming Exam Mass & Recollection!

A time of input, prayer, fellowship, and Mass – come and allow yourselves to be strengthened by Christ and His love.

Sign Up: [tinyurl.com/JCIBexammass24](https://tinyurl.com/JCIBexammass24)

For enquiries, contact Gabriella at [gabriella.oyp@catholic.org.sg](mailto:gabriella.oyp@catholic.org.sg) or Emilie at [emilie.oyp@catholic.org.sg](mailto:emilie.oyp@catholic.org.sg).



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

CSC 20th Anniversary Celebration (Sat 21 Sep)



21

Sep 2024

10.00am to 8.30pm  
(Lunch & Dinner Provided)

- Praise & Worship
- Thanksgiving & Testimonies
- Family Friendly Activities
- Talk by Msgr Peter Zhang
- Mass by William Cardinal Goh

*"Whoever drinks the water I give will never thirst" - John 4:14-*

THANKSGIVING STEWARDSHIP PRAYER

**SIGN UP NOW**

<https://bit.ly/csc20mc>  
via [mycatholic.sg](https://mycatholic.sg)

<https://csctr.net/tacm>  
via CSC Webstore incl memorabilia sales

\$20/Adult ; Children under 12 FOC



We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to our 20th Anniversary Celebration on 21 September!  
Sign-up at [www.csctr.net/tacm](http://www.csctr.net/tacm)  
Contribution of \$20 includes lunch and dinner, FOC for children under 12 years old

Retrouvaille Weekend (27 – 29 Sep)



RETROUVAILLE  
SINGAPORE

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MARRIAGE LIFELINE

Is your marriage tearing you apart?

Are you considering divorce or separation?

Retrouvaille Weekend  
Date: 27 - 29 September 2024  
Visit: [www.familylife.sg/Retrouvaille](http://www.familylife.sg/Retrouvaille)

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Retrouvaille is an international programme that came to Singapore in 1993. The programme aims to help troubled couples mend their relationships.

If you are considering separation, divorce, or are already divorced and want to get back together, Retrouvaille may just be what you need as a couple.

The Retrouvaille Weekend starts on Friday 8 pm and finishes on Sunday 6 pm. This is a Couple stay-in weekend.

# Mass with Intentions

FOR THE SPECIAL  
NEEDS COMMUNITY

29 SEP 2024, SUNDAY  
11:45AM  
CHURCH OF ST BERNADETTE

**Don't miss** the roadshow  
by Catholic organisations  
supporting persons with  
special needs at the Parish  
Centre, the foyer outside the  
canteen from **9am to 1pm!**



Jointly brought to you by  
Catholic Family Life and Office for Catechesis



Catholic  
Family Life







HELP UPLIFT LIVES AND  
SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED

DATE:  
**5 OCTOBER 2024**  
**SATURDAY**

TIME:  
**8AM - 11AM**

**LOCATION: FICUS GREEN, BISHAN-AMK PARK**  
**DISTANCE: 5KM**

SCAN TO LEARN MORE  
AND REGISTER!



[bit.ly/wwcf-church](https://bit.ly/wwcf-church)

It's more than just a walkathon,  
it's a movement!  
Join us in this celebration of community  
and compassion to help support those in need.

Organised by:



**PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF CARITAS SINGAPORE FAMILY**





Struggling to hear God's voice or find time for family prayer? Come away and discover what God has in store for you this upcoming 2025 March school hols! Experience a faith-filled adventure for the whole family this Lent and re-discover the plans and wonders God has for your family. Hear from fellow Catholic parents about their life experiences on how to grow closer to God as a family. Kids' programmes for ages 3 – 12 years will be provided, including a special bonfire on Saturday night! We promise a spirit-filled getaway for the whole family with plenty of fun, food and fellowship!

**Date:** 15 - 17 March 2025 (3 days, 2 nights)

**Venue:** Harris Resort Waterfront, Batam

**Cost:**

Twin/Triple - Sharing :

\$290 per adult (above 12 yrs)

Child w Bed : \$190 per child (5 - 11 yrs)

Child w/o Bed : \$135 (5 - 11 yrs)

(Extended Stay @ \$75 room/night with Breakfast for two)

Return ferry ride to Batam & land transfer included

**Meals:** Full board (2 x breakfast, 2 x lunch, 2 x dinner included)

Registration Closing Date: **11 November 2024**

For enquiry, please contact **Michelle @ 9683 0817** or **Diana @ 9689 0919**

Email: [vdeifamilies@gmail.com](mailto:vdeifamilies@gmail.com)

Scan the QR code or visit <https://tinyurl.com/VdeiFC2025> to register.



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