



# St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 08 Sep 2024 • 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time (Year B)

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/)

## PARISH PRIEST

Rev Fr Christopher Lee  
Tel: 6760 0052

## ASST PARISH PRIEST

Rev Msgr Peter Zhang  
[peter.zhang@catholic.org.sg](mailto:peter.zhang@catholic.org.sg)

## ASST PARISH PRIEST

Rev Fr Lourdasamy Prasanna  
[lourdusamy.prasanna@catholic.org.sg](mailto:lourdusamy.prasanna@catholic.org.sg)

## SECRETARIAT

Maggie Chia Tel: 6769 1666  
[sjcbt.secretariat@catholic.org.sg](mailto:sjcbt.secretariat@catholic.org.sg)

## ADMINISTRATION

Evelyn Lau Tel: 6769 1608  
[sjcbt.admin@catholic.org.sg](mailto:sjcbt.admin@catholic.org.sg)

## 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



As we wait in anticipation for the Papal Mass on Thursday 12 September, let us continue to pray for the good health of our Holy Father and also to pray for the Universal Church.

Please also take note of the following arrangements for Thursday 12 September :

1. There will be no 6.30 pm Mass in the Chapel of St Joseph. The 6.30 am Mass will continue.
2. The Parish Office will be closed from 12 nn.
3. The main gates will be closed from 2.30 pm and will re-open when the Papal Mass ends.

For those not attending the Papal Mass, you can follow the proceedings from the Archdiocese YouTube Channel :  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/CatholicsSg>

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

ORDER OF MALTA SINGAPORE

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

BE IT DONE UNTO ME ACCORDING TO YOUR WILL

OUR HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS HAS GRANTED PLENARY INDULGENCE

7 DECEMBER 2024 SINGAPORE INDOOR STADIUM

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE ORDER AND OUR WORKS  
[WWW.ORDEROFMALTAASINGAPORE.ORG](http://WWW.ORDEROFMALTAASINGAPORE.ORG)

Please note that this first call is for the registration of the wheelchair / bed / trolley bound pilgrims only.

The application form must be signed by a medical practitioner and the completed form has to be emailed back to :

[lourdesexperiencesg@gmail.com](mailto:lourdesexperiencesg@gmail.com) by 20 Sept 2024.

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 this weekend at the foyer of the main Church.



Tuesday Morning Prayer Features : The SEARCH (Tue 10 Sep @ 9 am)



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 10 Sep @ 8 pm / Wed 11 Sep @ 9am)

Explore  
Pope Francis'  
Encyclicals

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



# 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*

Scan Here




e-mail:sahop.sjcvt@gmail.com



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

Beyond 'Because I said So' (Sat 12 Oct @ 3.15 pm)



# Beyond 'BECAUSE I SAID SO'

BY POSITIVE DISCIPLINE PARENT COACH, SOPHIA KLOPP


**Power struggle, tantrums, and more challenges?**


Join us for this **experiential workshop** where we'll cover:

- Introduction to Positive Discipline
- Awareness of why children misbehave
- Communication approach that invites cooperation
- 5 essential questions to ask before disciplining your child


**REGISTER NOW!**

**IMPORTANT!**  
12 OCT 2024 (SAT), 3.15PM - 5.15PM  
@ ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH (BUKIT TIMAH)  
PARISH COMMUNITY HALL





**\$20**  
PARTICIPATION FEE



[bit.ly/PDSJCBT](https://bit.ly/PDSJCBT)

Are you finding yourself caught in power struggles, tantrums, and other challenges with your children? Do punishment, nagging, or giving in seem like your only options when faced with such situations?

If so, join us for this experiential workshop that invites you to step into the child's world and understand which discipline methods work for your children, and which do not.

Recruitment : Hospitality Ministry



Calling Catholics above 18 years of age, if you are willing to serve the Lord through this ministry, we will be happy for you to join us.

Please drop us an email 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!

SSVP Accounts



Society of St Vincent de Paul  
Conference of St Joachim  
Statement of Income and Expenses for Aug 2024

Donations	\$ 15,272.97
Expenditure	\$ 16,396.16
Deficit	\$ 1,123.19

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





Appeal for Typhoon Gaemi Relief

FUNDRAISING APPEAL





**TYPHOON GAEMI RELIEF**

HELP OUR  
NEIGHBOURS IN  
NEED TODAY!



Scan to Donate

The Green Conversation (Thu 19 Sept @ 6.30 pm)

**THE GREEN CONVERSATION**



**EMBRACING LAUDATO SI**

**CURIOUS HOW YOU CAN APPLY SUSTAINABILITY PRACTICES  
AND SUCCEED IN BUSINESS ?**

**PRESENTERS**



**DR MAXINE MOWE**  
SUSTAINABILITY EXPERT



**TRINITY CHUA**  
SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIST



**DR SHAWN LUM**  
CONSERVATION EXPERT

**\*Event Details\***

**19 Sept 2024 (6.30pm to 10pm)**  
**(Registration/Dinner (own expense) starts at 6.30pm)**  
**Talk: 7.30pm to 9.00pm (9-10pm - Drinks & Networking)**  
**Venue: The Upper Room (Restaurant)**  
**115 KING GEORGE'S AVE, #01-02, S'pore 208561**



catholic  
business  
network  
singapore



**Caritas**  
SINGAPORE  
God's Love in Action

Scan here to register  
<https://forms.gle/332tmxZDyW6JYP1t6>



**SPECIALLY FOR THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY**

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://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

A

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)

SCAN ME



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



Walk with Caritas (Sat 5 Oct)



**WALK**  
*With Caritas Family*

**HELP UPLIFT LIVES AND SUPPORT THOSE IN NEED**

DATE:  
**5 OCTOBER 2024**  
SATURDAY

TIME:  
**8AM - 11AM**

**SCAN TO LEARN MORE AND REGISTER!**



**bit.ly/wwcf-church**

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

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:  **Caritas SINGAPORE**



PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF CARITAS SINGAPORE FAMILY



Divorce Separation Annulment (Mon 7 Oct @ 8 pm via Zoom)

# What the Catholic Church actually teaches about Divorce Separation Annulment

By Fr Terence Pereira

Part 1 – Monday, 7 October 2024  
Part 2 – Monday, 21 October 2024  
8pm to 10pm

Via Zoom

**Register at**



<https://bit.ly/4g7ndvr>



Couples enter into marriage with faith and hope that it will be a happy union that lasts. However, there are occasions when a couple faces an unhappy end to their married life together.  
How can Catholics in such a situation continue their life journey in a way that keeps them in full communion with the Church?  
This Symposium will help participants gain an insight into the complexity of the issues related to divorce, separation and annulment.





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.



Verbum Dei Singapore • 4 Sommerville Rd, Singapore 358228  
6274 0251 • [verbumdeispace@yahoo.com.sg](mailto:verbumdeispace@yahoo.com.sg)

