



St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

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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

Update from Fr Christopher Lee

My dear parishioners

As you probably know, I have been discharged from the hospital and am now on medical leave, recovering well thanks to your loving prayers and support!

I am eager to return to serving our community soon, and I thank God and St. Joseph for their watchful care and protection over us all. Your prayers have been a source of strength and comfort, and I am humbled by your love and concern.

I look forward to rejoining you soon. My prayers are with you too.

Fr Christopher Lee

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, also known as the Feast of Christ the King, is a significant celebration in the liturgical calendar. This feast honors the supreme kingship of Christ and highlights His dominion over all creation.

It typically falls on the last Sunday of Ordinary Time, marking the culmination of the liturgical year. As we observe this feast, we transition into a new liturgical season, concluding Ordinary Time and paving the way for Advent, which begins on Advent Sunday. With the start of Advent, we will enter into Year C of the liturgical cycle.



Advent Penitential Services

2024 Advent Penitential Schedule

Day & Date	Time	Parish
Monday 09 Dec	10.30 am & 8 pm	Risen Christ
Tuesday 10 Dec	8 pm	St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)
Wednesday 11 Dec	10.30 am & 8 pm	Holy Spirit
Thursday 12 Dec	8 pm	Our Lady Star of the Sea
Friday 13 Dec	10.30 am & 8 pm	Christ the King
Monday 16 Dec	8 pm	St Anthony

AROUND THE PARISH

Vending Machines



The new vending machines have arrived and have been installed next to the Media Centre (Bookshop) at the Parish Community Hall.

These new machines accept payment via PayNow as well.

5th Lourdes Experience – Reminder on Collection of Tickets



BE IT DONE UNTO ME
ACCORDING TO YOUR WILL

Sat 07 Dec
Singapore Indoor Stadium
2 pm – 7 pm

THE 5TH
LOURDES
Experience

Reminder :

Tickets are to be collected latest by
Saturday 30 November
at the Parish Office.

Fr Augustine Tay Golden Jubilee Mass (Sun 24 Nov @ 5.30 pm)

Rev Fr Augustine Tay
50th Sacerdotal Anniversary
(Golden Jubilee)

To commemorate the occasion,
Fr Augustine Tay will be celebrating the :
5.30 pm Mass on Sunday 24 Nov
at our Parish.

Please come to join us for this joyous
occasion.



Fr Augustine Tay served as Parish Priest in St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah) from 1986 to 2002. He was instrumental in building the Rectory, the Parish Community Hall, the Chapel of the Resurrection and in the installation of the Stations of the Cross. He also commissioned Prof Wu Yong Liang to paint the Chinese paintings found in the Church.

Mysteries of the Rosary (starting 26 Nov)



**TUESDAY
MORNING MANNA**
presents

MYSTERIES of the ROSARY:
The Joyful Mysteries


**Journey through Advent with this
video series filmed in the Holy Land!**

Starting 26 November
Tues 11.05am, St Joseph AVA Rm



As we prepare our hearts this Advent to welcome Jesus, come and learn about the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary through this video series filmed in the Holy Land. Every Tuesday morning, 11.05am at St Joseph AVA Room. Please register at: <https://tinyurl.com/JoyfulMysteries2024>

Online Advent Reflections (starting 26 Nov)





FAITH & BIBLE Community presents:
REFLECTIONS

Online Advent Reflections

**Join us in reflecting on the
Sunday Advent readings**

Tues 8pm or Wed 9am
Starting 26 November
Online via Zoom



Join the Faith & Bible Reflections Community of St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah) for weekly online sessions to reflect and share on the Sunday Advent readings.

Every Tuesday 8-9.45pm or Wednesday 9-10.45am (you can attend either), online via Zoom from 26 November to 18 December 2024. For ages 20+.

Please register at: <https://tinyurl.com/SJCBTAdvent2024>

Neighbourhood Prayer Walk (Sat 30 Nov)

Neighbourhood Prayer Walk

Sat 30 November, 8.30am:

- Meet at Teck Whye LRT for Prayer Walk to pray for our neighbourhoods followed by the Breaking of the Word.
- For more info:
tinyurl.com/SJCBTNPW



Join us for our last Neighbourhood Prayer Walk of the year as we pray for all those staying in Teck Whye. Meet on Saturday 30 November at 8.30am at Teck Whye LRT. The Prayer Walk will be followed by a short Breaking of the Word. Please join the Neighbourhood Prayer Walk whatsapp community at tinyurl.com/SJCBTNPW for more information

Preparing for our Final Journey (Sat 30 Nov)

Preparing for our Final Journey

The hour of death is a sacred moment as we pass from this life to the one promised by our Lord. Are we prepared for this journey? When the time comes, will we know what to do?

Day: Saturday 30 November
Time: 3.30pm
Venue: St Joseph AVA Room

The souls of the virtuous are in the hands of God, no torment shall ever touch them.

Wis3:1

Death is a natural part of life, and as Christians, we believe it marks the beginning of a new journey. Yet, many of us shy away from discussing it. Let's break this taboo and explore how we can prepare ourselves and our loved ones for this inevitable transition.



Christmas Joy of Giving

Every year, **Parish Befrienders Group** proudly represents our Parish community to share the joy of Christmas with our migrant brothers living in dormitories. We bring simple gifts of friendship and Christ's love.

This year, we would like to invite all of you to be part of this. We are appealing to your generous hearts to help us fill gift bags for their daily necessities: **towel, toothpaste, and toothbrush.** If you are able to help, please let members of PBG know by registering your offers on **30 Nov or 01 Dec 2024** at St Joachim room.

Thank you.



**FAITH & BIBLE
REFLECTIONS presents:**

YOUTH ADVENT REFLECTIONS (Secondary to Tertiary)



Let's come together and reflect on the Sunday Gospels!

- Sun 2-3.30pm, 1/8/15/22 Dec
- St Mary AVA Room

Calling all youth in secondary, tertiary and NS! Let us come together and prepare for Christmas with our weekly Advent Reflections. We'll be reflecting and sharing on the Sunday Gospels, every Sunday 2-3.30pm at St Mary AVA Room.

Please register at <https://tinyurl.com/YFABAdvent2024>



Media Centre (Bookshop) : Christmas Fair

*Back by
popular demand!*

The Daughters of St Paul Media Centre (Bookshop) will extend the Christmas Fair for one more weekend on **Sat 7 Dec & Sun 8 Dec.**

Do drop by and pick up some delightful Christmas presents for your family and friends.



SSVP Gifting – Thank you for your support



Sharing Christmas Joy

**The Society of St Vincent De Paul
thanks the Parish community
for the tremendous support to our Families-In-Need**

Collection of Christmas gifts
Day & Date: Sunday, 8 & 15 December 2024
From 8.30am to 12.30pm @ St Joachim Room

Please paste the gifting card on the gift box or put the gifting card together with goodie bag items or bookshop vouchers

SSVP thanks all parishioners for their overwhelming support.
All gift cards were already taken up by 11 am on Sunday 17 Nov.

Simbang Gabi (Wed 18 Dec)

Simbang Gabi 2024

Singapore

St. Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Rev Fr Romeo Yu Chang, CICM

Date : 18 December 2024

Time : 7:15pm - 9pm

7:15pm (Holy Rosary)

8:00pm (Holy Mass)

**Address : 620 Upper Bukit Timah Rd
Singapore 678116**

MRT : Cashew Station (Blue Line)

**Bus : 67,75,170,176,178,184,961
963,970**

Theme :

**"Thy Will Be Done on Earth as it is in Heaven
(A request for God's will to be fulfilled)"**

Simbang Gabi is a beloved Filipino Christmas tradition that consists of a series of nine dawn Masses, beginning on December 16 and ending on Christmas Eve, December 24. The term "Simbang Gabi" literally means "night Mass" in Filipino.

One of these nine Masses will be held in St Joseph's Church. Come and experience the rich cultural heritage of the Filipino people. All are welcome!

Prayer thru Music (Wed 18 Dec)



*Embrace the
Season of Hope
-Advent &
Christmas!-*

**18 Dec 24 (Wednesday), 8pm
@ St. Mary AVA Room (Level 3) PCH**

- ❖ Praise & Worship
- ❖ Spiritual Talk
- ❖ Community Bonding



Msgr Peter Zhang



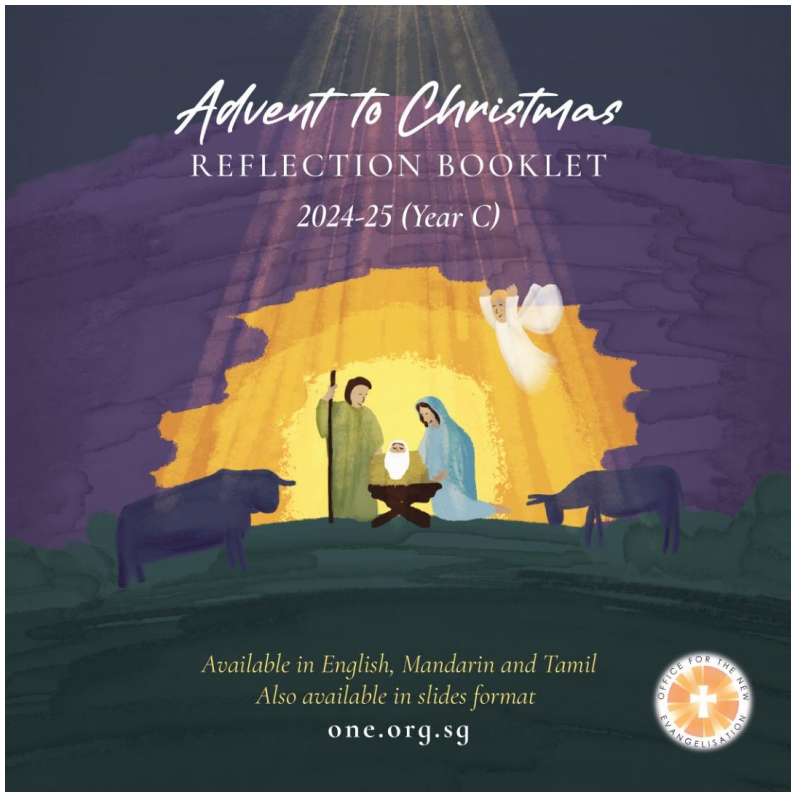
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Prepare your hearts
for our Lord Jesus'
coming at Christmas

Download Now



bit.ly/ONEAdventChristmas24

In the midst of the busy holiday season, this booklet offers a beautiful way to pause, reflect on God’s boundless love, and share meaningful moments of faith with those around you. It is our hope that through the breaking of the Word and the sharing of our own unique stories, we may bring one another closer to the heart of Christ.

PIETA Singapore



PIETA (a support group for bereaved parents) invites 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 26 Nov 2024

Time : 7:30pm to 9:15pm

Please email: pieta.singapore@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Courage : Advent Retreat (29 Nov – 1 Dec)



WHAT *child* IS THIS?

HEBREWS 1:1-4

An Advent retreat for those who are same-sex attracted or identify as LGBTQ. A quiet and safe space for prayer, reflection and conversations on Advent.

This stay-in retreat invites you to prepare your hearts and minds for Christmas. Mass, eucharistic adoration, confession and spiritual direction will be available. The retreat will be facilitated by Fr Adrian Danker and Lance Ng.

 St Francis Xavier Retreat Centre
199 Punggol Seventeenth Ave
S(829645)

 Fri, Nov 29 (6pm) to
Sun, Dec 01 (4pm)

Kindly reach out to us at
our email for more information or
to register by 20 Nov

 spdircourage@gmail.com
 [courage.sg](https://www.instagram.com/courage.sg)
 courage.org.sg

Providing care for men and women experiencing same sex attraction to know God's love
& support for loved ones accompanying LGBT persons to keep their faith and family



Overcoming Sub-Fertility (Sat 30 Nov)

Overcoming Sub-fertility

Moral Considerations and Overcoming It *the Natural Way*

 **30 NOV '24 (SAT)**
2:30PM-5:00PM
Cana the Catholic Centre

Exploring ethical perspectives and natural approaches to overcoming sub-fertility with compassion and hope.

Speakers:

Fr David Garcia
Moral Theologian

Teresa Phua
NFP Instructor/Trainer

Dr Douglas Ong
Gynaecologist

Dr John Hui
Natural Family Planning Medical Consultant



Sign up now!

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Natural Family Planning Singapore is organising this Forum to address couples’ questions from a medical and moral perspective providing options suitable for couples of any faith especially Catholics.

Review of Life Workshop (Sat 30 Nov)

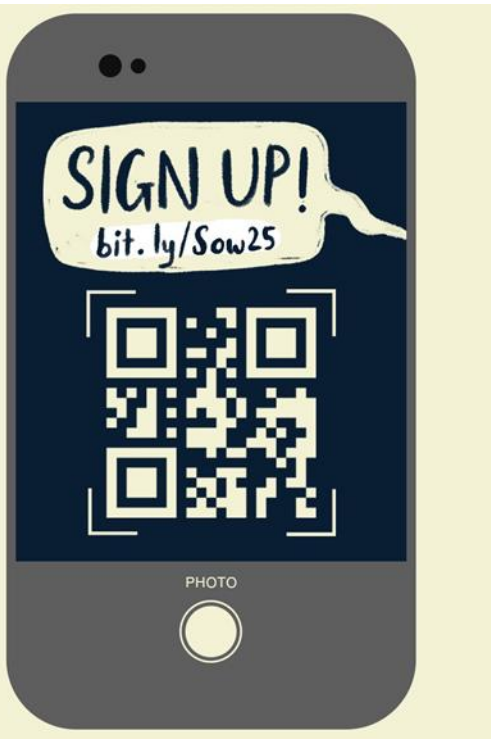
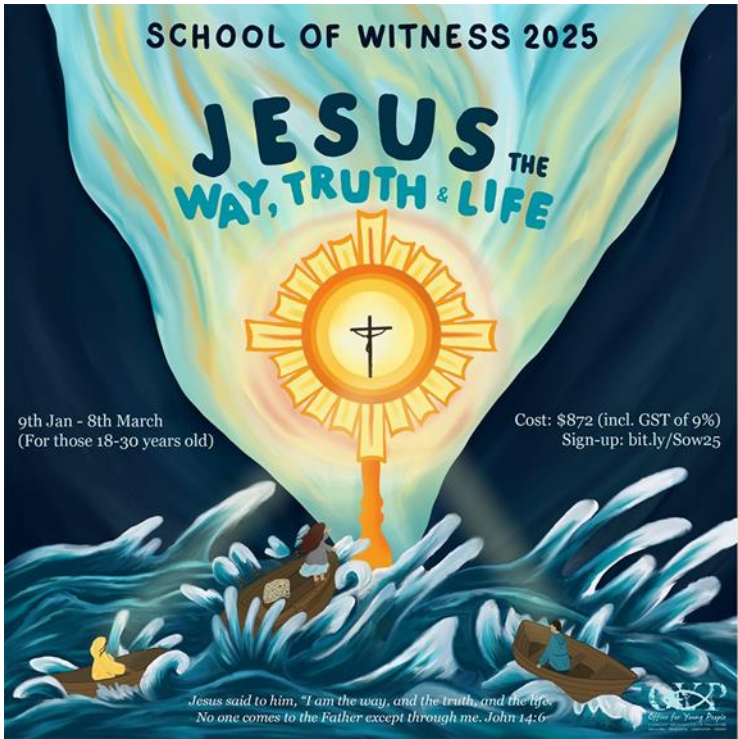


Join us at CANA on 30 November morning for a guided and facilitated discussion of personal and social issues using the See-Judge-Act method. Used by the Holy Father and many Catholic organisations, the method helps us to apply our faith as a family or community to our situations and also the wider society. Every participant will contribute to enrich the discussions!

Sign up now at bit.ly/caritas-rol-form

For enquiries, please email Caritas Singapore at formation.cst@caritas-singapore.org

OYP School of Witness 2025 (Applications Close : Mon 2 Dec)



This live-in discipleship school is for young Singaporeans aged between 18 to 30 years and runs from 9 January 2025 to 8 March 2025.

Young people, is the Lord calling you to turn to Him, to live in Him and for Him? Be courageous to allow the Lord's way and truth to lead you in the storm and to commission you to bring this life to others and to show them the way to Him! Sign up for School of Witness 2025!

ACMI Skills Development (Registration open till Sun 8 Dec)

ACMI Skills Development Courses (Jan-Jun 2025)



Sign up for weekend classes at Agape Village!

- English Language
- Caregiver
- Basic Conversational Mandarin
- Basic Web Design & Canva
- Basic Mobile Photography & Editing
- Zumba
- Dressmaking and many more...

Calling all migrants:
Registration open
till 8 Dec

Scan the QR code
to find out more:



ACMI
FAMILY TO MIGRANTS

Registration for Jan-Jun 2025 courses are open! Pick up new skills such as mobile photography and editing, cooking and many more. Courses are held at Agape Village.

For more information, visit rebrand.ly/skillsdevelopmentcourses or scan the QR code below for more details! Registration closes on 8 Dec. For any enquiries, please call 8600 3583 or drop us a message on Instagram or Facebook (@acmi.singapore).

Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast Day Mass (Thu 12 Dec)

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE
Feast Day Mass
Honouring the Patroness of Unborn Children

Thursday, 12 December 2024
Pro-life Rosary | 5:30 PM
Mass | 6:30 PM
Cathedral of the Good Shepherd

PREGNANCY
CRISIS &
SUPPORT
a service of
CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE

We invite all parishioners to join us at Cathedral of the Good Shepherd in celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

The celebration will begin with Pro-life Rosary at 5.30pm followed by the Eucharistic Celebration at 6.30pm. There will be a Healing Prayer and Blessing of Pregnant Women after the mass.



Verbum Dei Family Camp

15 - 17 MARCH 2025
HARRIS RESORT WATERFRONT BATAM

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

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





Career Counselling for PME

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Mt 7:7

- ✓ CAREER EXPLORATION
- ✓ WORKPLACE WELL-BEING
- ✓ CAREER TRANSITION
- ✓ JOB SEARCH STRATEGIES

Sessions conducted via Zoom



Scan the QR Code to Register

There will be a nominal charge of \$10 to cover administrative costs. All PMEs are welcome