



# St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

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620 Upper Bukit Timah Road  
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Gate Opening Hours:  
8.00am to 9.00pm

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[facebook.com/sjcbt/](https://facebook.com/sjcbt/)

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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

## Pilgrims of Hope



**Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope –  
A Journey of Renewal and Faith**

*Exploring faith, renewal,  
and community impact*

## The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.  
May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.  
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and  
the whole cosmos  
in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.  
May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.  
May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our Redeemer  
throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever.  
Amen.

*Francis*



Catholic News available this weekend. Inside: Heart-to-Heart dialogue on marriage; 1,700th anniversary of the Nicene Creed; and snapshots from Cardinal Goh's Lunar New Year open house.

### HOSPITALITY MINISTRY RECRUITMENT




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!

Service to the Community

### Join the Little Praisers Children's Choir!



*Do you love to sing?  
Are you between the ages of 6 and 12?*

Come and be part of a fun and exciting group where you'll make new friends, learn to sing hymns and praise & worship songs, and sing as a choir during mass.

Sign up today!  
For more information, WhatsApp **Simon** at **91396399**

### Join the St. Joseph's Church Media Team!



Are you passionate about photography, videography, video editing, or content creation?

St. Joseph's Church is looking for talented individuals like YOU to join our dynamic media team!

☀️ What we're looking for - Photographers ,Videographers, Video Editors, Content Creators to join us.

We create exciting media projects that inspire and engage our parish community.

Please WhatsApp Audi @ 92412937 to register your interest.

Every weekend when you come for Masses, there are many teams working backstage to ensure that our Masses run smoothly and our communications are executed with precision. If you would like to play a part in serving our Masses, these are the Ministries / Service Teams that are in need of more members.

- (1) Audio Visual Aids – to assist with preparing and projecting slides for Masses;
- (2) Choirs – looking for new members
- (3) Hospitality – see ad above
- (4) Parish Emergency Preparedness Team (PEPT)
- (5) Media Team – see ad
- (6) SAHOP – see ad

You can approach any of the members to indicate your interest; or register yourselves at the Welcome Desk.



Urgently seeking dedicated  
**Keyboardist & Drummer**  
to join us in worship if you have passion for music & prayer!

**Please contact:**  
**Henry @ 9115 7616 or Bernard @ 9822 7103**

Amazing Race (Sun 16 Feb @ 2.30 pm)



Join us as a family for a fun-filled afternoon! Come in teams of at least 2 - parent and child, siblings, grandparents etc... for an 'amazing race' around the parish of St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

- Sunday 16 February 2025
- Registration at 2pm
- Briefing at 2:15pm and so that race can start punctually at 2:30pm -4pm.
- Light refreshments provided till 4:30pm.
- Meet at Community Hall Building Foyer


Prizes for:

- The Fastest Families!
- Best Dressed Families! Come dressed according to the theme (Pilgrims of Hope / Holy Family)

Bible4Beginners (Tue 18 Feb @ 8 pm via Zoom)

You have unread messages from God.


73,000



Explore the most important book in history.

**Bible4**  
BEGINNERS

FAITH & BIBLE  
REFLECTIONS



## Bible4Beginners

- Speaker: James Nichols, Director, Archdiocesan Biblical Apostolate Singapore
- Tuesdays Feb 11 & 18
- 8.00pm - 9.45pm
- Online via Zoom



## Scripture Series : Part VIII – Book of Judith 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 : 06 / 13 / 20 / 27 Feb  
06 / 13 / 20 Mar  
(7 sessions)

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



## Holy Hour for Vocations Thu 20 Feb 2025 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!



Prayer thru Music (Fri 21 Feb @ 8 pm)



# Prayer thru Music®

(brought to you by SAHOP)



## JUBILEE 2025

Pilgrims of Hope in Community

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

**“The role of music in the Catholic Church and it’s connection with God”**



e-mail:sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com



Rev Fr Valerian Cheong  
(Rector – SFXMS)

**21 February 2025 (Friday) 8PM**  
**@ Level 3, St Mary, AVA Room**  
**Parish Community Hall**

Neighbourhood Prayer Walk (Sat 22 Feb)

# Neighbourhood Prayer Walk

Sat 22 February, 8.30am:

- Meet at main church
- Come and pray for our neighbourhoods followed by the Breaking of the Word.
- For more info:  
[tinyurl.com/SJCBTNPW](https://tinyurl.com/SJCBTNPW)





Come and pray for our neighbourhoods! join us on Sat 22 Feb morning as we walk around the Chestnut neighbourhood. Join our Whatsapp Community for more information: [tinyurl.com/SJCBTNPW](https://tinyurl.com/SJCBTNPW)



Neighbourhood Community Fellowship (Sat 22 Feb @ 6.30 pm)



# Neighbourhood Community Fellowship

6.30pm, Saturday 22 Feb  
Parish Community Hall

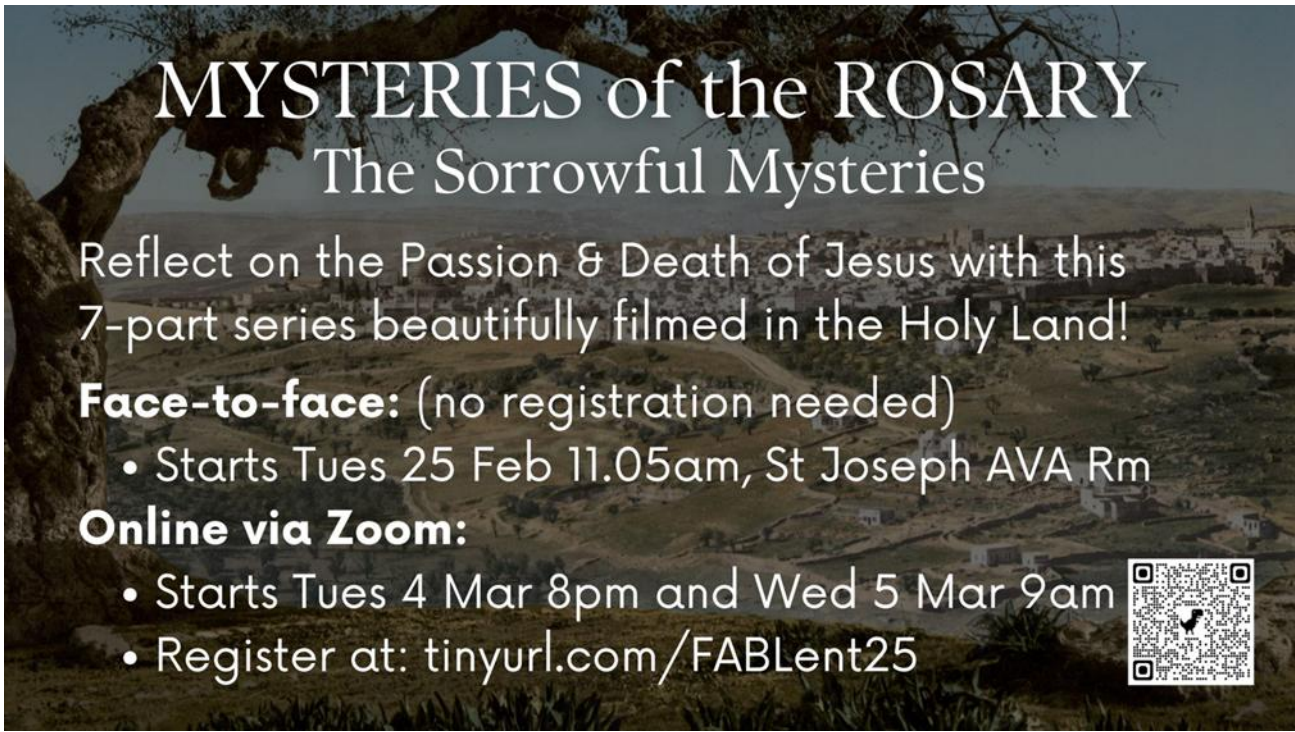
Get to know your fellow parishioners over dinner and grow in faith together! Please register for catering purposes.

- Choa Chu Kang
- Teck Whye
- Chestnut
- Hillview
- Bt Panjang



Join us for dinner and fellowship at our very first Neighbourhood Community Fellowship! Grow in faith and get to know our fellow parishioners in our neighbourhoods. Please register for catering purposes at: <https://tinyurl.com/NCFFeb25>

Mysteries of the Rosary (Tue 25 Feb OR Tue 04 Mar via Zoom)



# MYSTERIES of the ROSARY

## The Sorrowful Mysteries


Reflect on the Passion & Death of Jesus with this 7-part series beautifully filmed in the Holy Land!

**Face-to-face:** (no registration needed)

- Starts Tues 25 Feb 11.05am, St Joseph AVA Rm

**Online via Zoom:**

- Starts Tues 4 Mar 8pm and Wed 5 Mar 9am
- Register at: [tinyurl.com/FABLent25](https://tinyurl.com/FABLent25)



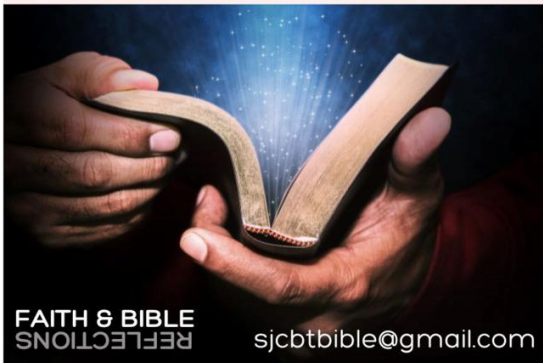
Journey through Lent by reflecting on the Passion and Death of Jesus with a video series on the Sorrowful Mysteries. 7 sessions face-to-face and online via Zoom. Please register for the online sessions at [tinyurl.com/FABLent25](https://tinyurl.com/FABLent25)

AROUND THE PARISH

Praying with Scripture (Tue 25 Feb @ 8 pm via Zoom)

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

TUESDAY FEBRUARY 25, 8.00-9.45PM,  
ONLINE VIA ZOOM



Learn how to pray with the Bible using the ancient method of Lectio Divina.

Facilitated by Pastoral Teams Coordinator, Jane Lau, and the Faith & Bible Reflections Community.

Learn how to pray with the Bible using the ancient method of Lectio Divina, which means 'Divine Reading'. Through contemplating and 'chewing' on the Word of God, we can learn to hear God's voice speaking more clearly to us.  
Please register at: <https://tinyurl.com/BibleBasics2025>

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

His Seven Last Words on the Cross (Fri 28 Mar)

His Seven  
Last Words  
On The Cross

A Lenten Reflection by Br Collin Wee, FSC

Register now  
<https://forms.gle/c8rmsf1cpmBxAjBd8>



Date: Friday, 28 March 2025  
Time: 8 pm – 10 pm  
Venue: La Salle House  
490 East Coast Road, S'pore 429058  
Contribution: \$40 per adult  
SAVE \$10 WITH EARLY BIRD OFFER  
of \$30 per person if you register before  
Wednesday, 12 March







# ASSISI FUN DAY

## CHARITY CARNIVAL

with more than 100 stalls



**15 JUN 25** SUN  
10:00 am ~ 4:00 pm

**ST. JOSEPH'S INSTITUTION  
INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL**  
TOA PAYOH WEST ENTRANCE  
19 TOA PAYOH WEST, S318876

**SCAN NOW  
TO BUY  
COUPONS  
OR MAKE  
A DONATION**



 [www.assisihospice.org.sg/assisifunday](http://www.assisihospice.org.sg/assisifunday)  [donate@assisihospice.org.sg](mailto:donate@assisihospice.org.sg)  6832 2859  [assisihospice](https://www.facebook.com/assisihospice)  [assisi\\_hospice](https://www.instagram.com/assisi_hospice)

Staff and volunteers from Assisi Hospice will be at our church on 1 March from 4.30pm - 7.00pm and on 2 March from 8.00am - 1.00pm to sell carnival coupons for their upcoming Assisi Fun Day. Assisi Hospice serves 3,200 patients each year, with 70% of them being means-tested at the lowest income tier and in need of financial support. The funds raised will help Assisi Hospice to continue their mission of providing compassionate, personalised and quality palliative care to patients with life-limiting illnesses. Please support them by purchasing the carnival coupons or making a donation.



Love Without Limits (7 – 9 Mar)

MONTFORTIAN EXPERIENCE LENTEN RETREAT

# Love WITHOUT Limits

**7-9 March 2025**  
7 PM (Friday) - 1 PM (Sunday)  
Stay-in retreat

**Montfort Centre**  
624 Upper Bukit  
Timah Road  
Singapore 678212





In order to draw closer to us and give us a more convincing proof of his love, eternal Wisdom went so far as to become one like us, even to become a little child, to embrace poverty and to die upon a cross for us. Will you let Jesus, friend of sinners, come to you and love you just as you are?

Register at: <https://www.montfortcentre.org/events-1/love-without-limits>

Building Trust (8 Mar)

## BUILDING TRUST (TRU)

Date: 8 Mar 2025 OR  
12 Apr 2025

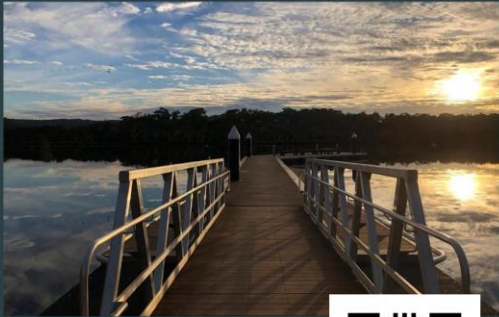
Time: 9.30am - 3:30pm

Venue: Agape Village, 7A Lor 8  
Toa Payoh, MPR1 (#03-09)

Cost: \$100/- (lunch included)



CATHOLIC  
LEADERSHIP  
CENTRE



Register at: [www.catholicleader.sg](http://www.catholicleader.sg)

Through conversations and interactive group activities, participants will develop a shared understanding of trust and take personal responsibility for how they can develop deeper levels of trust at an inter-personal and group level.

# AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

## Quieting The Soul (7 – 9 Mar)

Take some time out with the Lord as He invites you to "come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." [Mark 6:31]

This is a 3-day silent retreat suitable for beginners and busy people.

Register early using QR code.

**A Cenacle Programme**

# Quieting THE SOUL

3-day Silent Retreat  
@SFX retreat center  
Punggol  
7-9 March, 2025





## Beginning Experience (21 – 23 Mar)





REGISTER YOUR INTEREST  
[HTTPS://WWW.BESINGAPORE.ORG/BE\\_EVENT](https://www.besingapore.org/be_event)

# BEGINNING EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

DIVORCED?  
SEPARATED?  
WIDOWED?

TURN THE  
PAIN OF LOSS  
INTO AN EXPERIENCE OF  
POSITIVE GROWTH.

**DATE: FRIDAY 21 MAR TO SUN 23 MAR 2025**

**VENUE: LIFESPINGS  
CANOSSIAN SPIRITUALITY  
CENTRE**

**EXPERIENCE A WEEKEND  
AWAY FOR A LIFETIME OF  
CHANGE.**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:**

**RODNEY 9693 0785  
MARY 9755 4310  
JEAN 9828 5162**

**[WWW.BESINGAPORE.ORG](http://WWW.BESINGAPORE.ORG)**

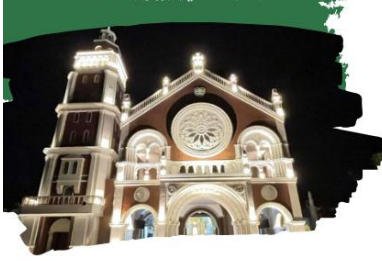
 *Beginning Experience*  
listen. accompany. heal

Come and experience a weekend away for a lifetime of change. The 68th Beginning Experience (BE) Weekend is a live-in weekend for the permanently separated, divorced or widowed (for both males and females). The BE Weekend helps single-again individuals move on from the darkness of their grief into the light of a new beginning, to be healed and be free to love themselves, others and God.





**ORGANISED BY GEBIRAH, MEMBER ORGANISATION OF CHARIS**  
**15TH TO 19TH MARCH 2025**



**About the Mission**

In November 2024, Typhoon Marce wreaked havoc in the region, leaving over 40,000 individuals displaced and their homes destroyed, leaving them desperate for help and hope.

**What We Will Do**

As we approach Lent, a time of reflection, sacrifice and service, we emulate Christ by bringing essential aid to those most in need, rebuild their school, homes, bringing hope and some joy back into their lives.

**End with a Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Piat**

We end the mission with a pilgrimage of thanksgiving and presentation of petitions to the shrine of the centuries old image of Our Lady of Piat that was visited by Pope Francis in 2023.



Creating Safe Spaces (22 – 23 Mar)

# Creating Safe Spaces

*in Communities and Religious Institutions*

**WHEN:** 22-23 March 2025; 9:00-5:00 pm

**WHERE:** La Salle House Conference Room

Facilitated by Fr. James Gascon, SJ

**Who should attend?**

Leaders and members of Church ministries/Catholic organisations

Persons who accompany others  
*teachers, mentors, catechists, facilitators, etc.*



A Cenacle-organized workshop



 **REGISTER NOW**

This two-day workshop seminar introduces Safeguarding as Charism and Spirituality, starting with its theological and spiritual foundation. Abuse and all its forms will be defined. The dynamics of victimization and offending will also be explored. This workshop is highly recommended to all holding leadership positions in the Church.

As Pope Francis insists, “We are a sign that the ministry of safeguarding belongs to all of us as it is part of the Church's ministry, indeed of evangelization itself,” and without safe spaces and interior freedom from the heart, our Church will never be safe where the Gospel is freely proclaimed.

FGS Retreat (22 – 23 Mar)

AT THE FEET OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD RETREAT (FGS)

22 – 23 March 2025

St. Francis Xavier Retreat Centre,  
199 Punggol 17th Ave

\$320/- (ensuite single-room,  
meals & spiritual direction session  
included)



Register at: [www.catholicleader.sg](http://www.catholicleader.sg)

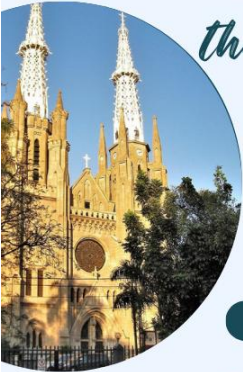




Our mission seeks not only to meet essential needs but also to equip these individuals and families with the tools to regain self-reliance and rebuild their lives. By accompanying them on this journey of recovery, we remind them that they are not forgotten. Together, we can offer a beacon of hope and the assurance of God's unfailing love.

Mission  
BRINGING THE EASTER  
JOY OF THE  
RESURRECTION TO  
REFUGEES IN BOGOR

*St. Iosemaria: "Do not forget that doing good means more than wanting to do good. We must sacrifice ourselves, by giving ourselves, for the good of others."*



30TH APRIL TO 4 MAY 2025

WHAT WE WILL DO

During this mission trip, we will engage in a range of impactful activities designed to bring hope, healing, and empowerment to the refugee community

PILGRIMAGE

We end the mission with a pilgrimage of thanksgiving and presentation of petitions to the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, a neo-gothic masterpiece and one of Indonesia's most iconic Catholic landmarks.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Be a part of the mission. Donate preloved or new items needed by the refugees. If you cannot join, consider sponsoring someone willing to serve but unable to afford the expenses. Pray for Us:

+65 92347889

<https://www.gebirah.org/bogorrefugees>

[gebirah@charis-singapore.org](mailto:gebirah@charis-singapore.org)



Marriage Preparation Courses



This course, spanning over 6 half-day sessions on weekends, is designed to help couples build strong foundation for a lasting fulfilling marriage.

**2025 DATES**

**CLOSED** 09 Feb – 16 Mar

**Q2** 04 May - 08 Jun

**Q3** 20 Jul - 31 Aug

**Q4** 05 Oct - 09 Nov

*Scan to Register!*





Couples intending to celebrate your union in the Catholic Church are encouraged to attend MPC as early as possible before your wedding date

For more info : [www.mpcsingapore.com](http://www.mpcsingapore.com)

Job Opportunities at ACMI

**ACMI IS  
HIRING**

Join us in our mission of  
being family to migrants!

 **Executive, Pastoral & Formation**

 **Executive, Skills Development**

Looking for a meaningful career where you can make a difference to the lives of migrants in Singapore? ACMI is looking for passionate individuals to fill the following roles:

- Executive, Pastoral & Formation
- Executive, Skills Development (Full-time & Part-time)

To apply, visit [rebrand.ly/acmijobs](https://rebrand.ly/acmijobs) or scan the QR code below for more details!







# 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*