



# 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

## Jubilee Prayer

Last weekend, we shared the Jubilee Prayer in the bulletin. Moving forward, we will recite this prayer at all Masses on the second Sunday of every month. By doing so, we unite with Catholics worldwide to pray for God's guidance and strength amidst global challenges such as war, the pandemic, and the climate crisis.

It is also our Holy Father's hope that the Jubilee will "be a moment of genuine, personal encounter with the Lord Jesus, the "door" (cf. Jn 10:7.9) of our salvation, whom the Church is charged to proclaim always, everywhere and to all as "our hope" (1 Tim 1:1)."

In Singapore, the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd has been designated as the local pilgrimage site for the Archdiocese of Singapore during this Jubilee Year. A special shrine featuring the Crucifix of Hope, a large and ornate cross, has been erected in the south transept of the Cathedral. We invite you to make it a point to visit the Cathedral and pray at this shrine during this year-long celebration.

## Preparation for Lent

## Collection of Palms

Parishioners can deposit their blessed palms (from the previous year) in the boxes that have been placed at the Statue of St Joseph in the main Church.

(Last day of collection: 4 Mar)



Ash Wednesday falls on 5 March. We will then enter into the Lenten season which will last for 40 days. Please refer to page 2 of the bulletin for the Mass timings for Ash Wed and the Fridays in Lent.

## Collection of Pre-Loved Items for Gebirah



Gebirah is a global humanitarian organisation established under the inspiration of the Spirit of Opus Dei. It is a Catholic Organisation under the Archdiocese of Singapore and a member organisation of Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives Singapore (CHARIS).

They will be making mission trips to the Philippines, Indonesia and India and are collecting pre-loved items to ship over.

### Collection of Pre-Loved Items

1. Clothes (children & adults)
2. Stationery (pens, pencils) & school bags
3. Exercise books
4. Plastic Plates
5. Forks & Spoons, Cups (plastic / metal)
6. Blankets


Please do not buy these items.

You can bring your pre-loved items between **Tue 4 Mar – Sun 9 Mar** to the Parish Office / St Joachim Room.

LENTEN PREPARATIONS

Ash Wednesday Mass Timings (Wed 05 Mar)

# ASH WEDNESDAY




## 05 March

Day of Fasting and Abstinence

**Mass Timings :**  
6.30 am  
12.30 pm  
6.30 pm  
8.30 pm


**Venue :**  
Main Church

**Imposition of Ashes  
at all Masses**



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Fridays in Lent (Stations of the Cross)



Dates	
07 Mar	28 Mar
14 Mar	04 Apr
21 Mar	11 Apr

### Fridays in Lent

Stations of the Cross : 7.30 pm

Mass : 8.00 pm

Main Church

Divine Mercy Way of the Cross (Thursdays)

# Divine Mercy Way of the Cross

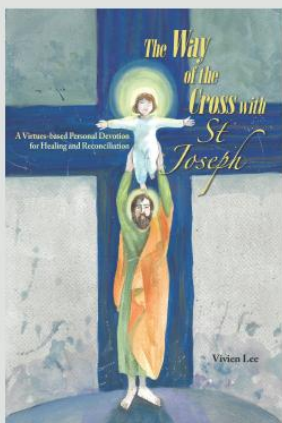
Every Thursday @ 8 PM  
6, 13, 19 (Wed) and 27 Mar  
3, 10 and 17 Apr  
Chapel of St Joseph

For more information,  
contact Michael @ 9270 1712.

All are Welcome



The Way of the Cross with St Joseph



- *Desiring to grow in virtue?*
- *Looking for a meaningful Lenten reflection?*
- *Seeking to know St Joseph more deeply?*

*You now have...*

## The Way of the Cross with St Joseph:

**A Virtues-based Personal Devotion  
for Healing and Reconciliation**

See pages 16-17 for a quick start! 

### How is the book relevant?

In calling for Jubilee 2025 with the theme “Pilgrims of Hope”, Pope Francis writes: “We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and far-sighted vision.” Given St Joseph’s faithfulness despite being confronted with ample challenges as the foster-father of Jesus, he exemplifies what it means to be a pilgrim of hope. He is a model of the open spirit, trusting heart and far-sighted vision that the Holy Father speaks of.

The Priests of the Parish are presenting every family with a copy of the book, *The Way of the Cross with St Joseph: A Virtues-based Personal Devotion for Healing and Reconciliation*, to aid your prayer during this special year. You can collect your copy after all Masses on 01 – 02 March.

### What is the book about?

The book offers the reader a fresh perspective of the Way of the Cross by considering St Joseph’s life and influence on the child Jesus alongside that of Jesus’s final journey. Adopting a virtues-based approach, it considers the practical aspects of Christian living and advocates for the restoration of relationships with self, others and God. These virtues are summarised on pages 144 and 145.

Let us deepen our insights into St Joseph’s life, and through him grasp the hope which Jesus offers.



### 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


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.



### 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.



**Prayer thru Music**



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

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

Neighbourhood Community Fellowship (Sat 22 Feb @ 6.30 pm)



# Neighbourhood Community Fellowship

6.30pm, Saturday 22 Feb  
Parish Community Hall

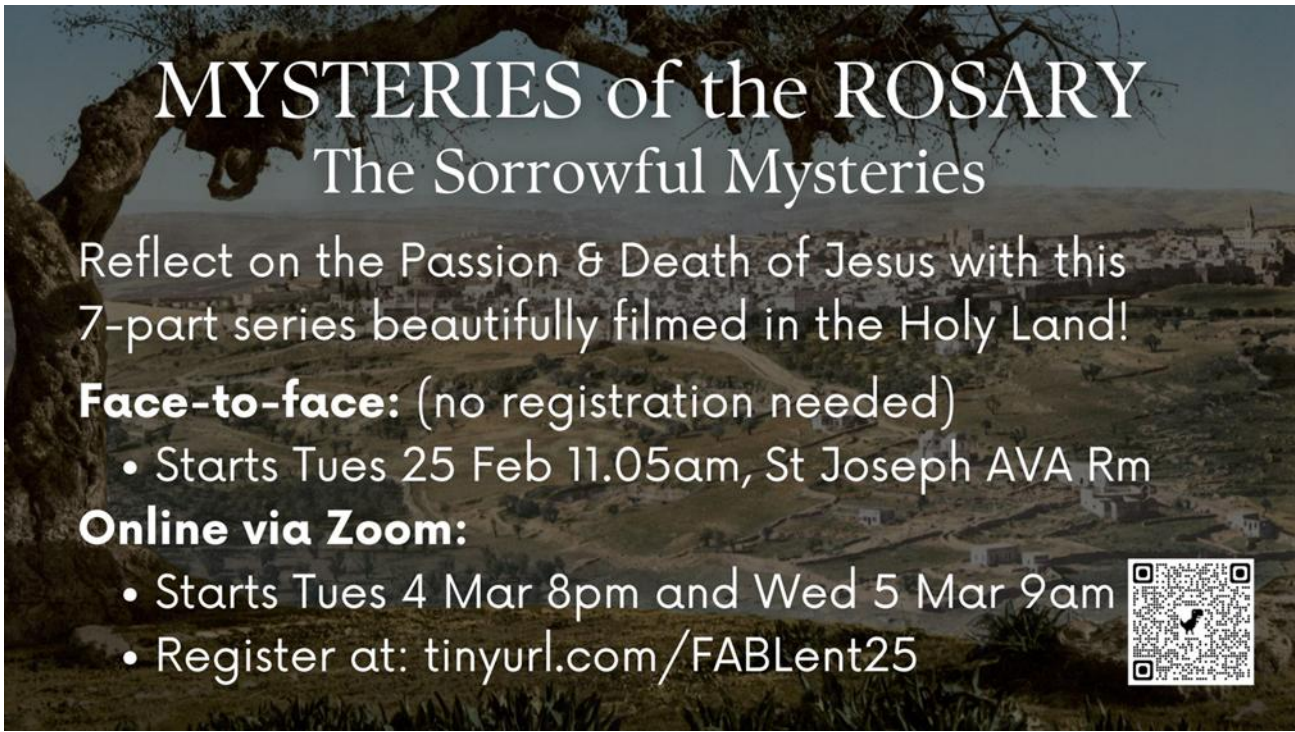
Get to know your fellow parishioners over dinner and grow in faith together! Please register for catering purposes.

- 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)



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>

**Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Wed 19 Mar0)**



Wed 19 Mar : St Joseph,  
Spouse of the BVM

6.30 am : Mass in the Chapel of St Joseph

6.30 pm : Mass will be held in the Main Church

Please note that the evening Mass will be held in the Main Church.

AROUND THE PARISH

Prayer thru Music (Fri 21 Mar @ 8 pm)



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

Rev Fr Joseph Zhang , CDD  
Superior of Congregation of the Disciples of the Lord  
(Congregatio Discipulorum Domini)



“He loved us”

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



**Prayer thru Music** ©  
(brought to you by SAHOP)



**JUBILEE 2025**  
Pilgrims of Hope in Community



e-mail:sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Gaza Fundraising Appeal

Touch Lives with God's Love...

**REBUILD GAZA**

Small Gifts, Miraculous Impact

**FUNDRAISING APPEAL**



go.charis-singapore.org /gaza-rebuild

  
**CHARIS**  
Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives Singapore

In Gaza, countless families have lost everything — their homes, their schools, their safe spaces. Yet, even in the midst of devastation, hope remains. Together, we can help rebuild not just buildings, but lives, dreams, and futures.

Your generosity can provide shelter, education, and a chance for these families to begin again.



Pieta Prayer Support for Bereaved Parents

Tue 25 February from 7.30pm to 9.15pm at Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre, 2 Highland Road, unit LG-01, S. 549102 (next to the Church of Immaculate Heart of Mary).



We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to meet every fourth Tuesday of the month to pray and support each other.

Enquiries: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com) or <https://pieta.familylife.sg/>

Note: We will be on Zoom for March. Please email us for Zoom details.

Assisi Fun Day : Ticket Sales (01 – 02 Mar)



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


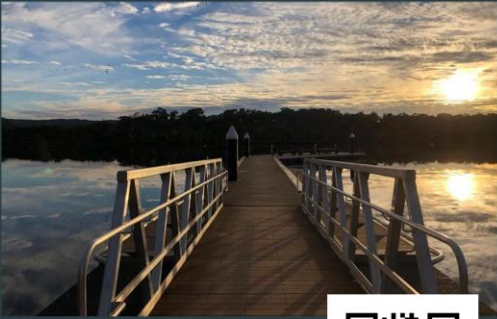
Time: 9.30am - 3:30pm

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.





MAKING IT EASY TO DO GOOD

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

**About the Mission**

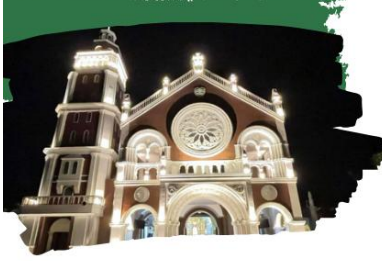
In November 2024, Typhoon Marce wreaked havoc in the region, leaving over 40,000 individuals displaced and their homes destroyed, leaving them desperate for help and hope.

**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





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.

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



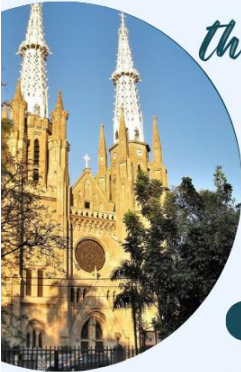




Our mission seeks not only to meet essential needs but also to equip these individuals and families with the tools to regain self-reliance and rebuild their lives. By accompanying them on this journey of recovery, we remind them that they are not forgotten. Together, we can offer a beacon of hope and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