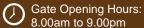


St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKDAY MASSES (Chapel of St Joseph)

Mon - Fri: 6.30am, 6.30pm : 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)

: 4.30pm to 7.00pm Sat : 8.30am to 1.00pm Sun

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

Stations of the Cross: Traditional and Scriptural



In medieval times, the faithful who couldn't read Latin relied on church icons and sculptures as a visual representation of the Bible. The practice of praying the Via Crucis, or "Stations of the Cross," during Lent has its roots in this period. Pilgrims who couldn't travel to Jerusalem would journey with Jesus to Golgotha in prayer.

Over the centuries, the tradition evolved with variations, but the fourteen-station sequence gained popularity worldwide only in the past two to three centuries.

Notably, only nine of the fourteen traditional stations are directly based on biblical accounts. The Gospels don't mention Jesus falling, meeting his mother, or encountering Veronica along the way.

In recent decades, some traditions have added a "fifteenth station," commemorating Jesus' Resurrection from the tomb.

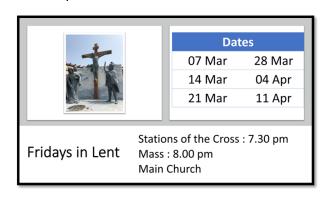
In 1991, Pope John Paul II introduced a revised version of the Stations, all of which are scripturally grounded, hence the "Scriptural Stations of the Cross".

The outdoor Stations of the Cross at our Church; as well as the Stations of the Cross in the main Church and the Chapel of St Joseph are the traditional stations.

The mural that is placed in the foyer just outside the Adoration Room depicts the Scriptural Stations of the Cross.

A comparison of the Traditional and Scriptural Stations of the Cross can be found on page 2.

Come and join us as we reflect on the stations of the cross every Friday during Lent at 7.30 pm in the Main Church.



LENTEN PREPARATIONS

Stations of the Cross: Traditional and Scriptural (cont'd)

The Traditional and Scriptural Stations of the Cross:

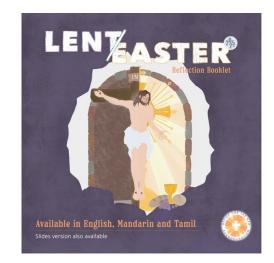
Stations	Traditional	Scriptural
First	Jesus is condemned to death	Jesus in Gethsemane
Second	Jesus takes up the cross	Jesus is betrayed
Third	Jesus falls the first time *	Jesus is condemned
Fourth	Jesus meets his mother	Jesus is denied
Fifth	Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus carry the cross Jesus is Judged	
Sixth	Veronica wipes the face of Jesus *	Jesus is scourged
Seventh	Jesus falls the second time *	Jesus takes up His cross
Eighth	Jesus consoles the women of Jerusalem	Jesus is helped by Simon
Ninth	Jesus falls the third time *	Jesus meets the women
Tenth	Jesus is stripped of his garments	Jesus is crucified
Eleventh	Jesus is nailed to the cross	Jesus and the repentant thief
Twelfth	Jesus dies on the cross	Jesus entrusts Mary and John to each other
Thirteenth	Jesus is taken down from the cross	Jesus dies on the cross
Fourteenth	Jesus is laid in the tomb	Jesus is laid in the tomb
[Fifteenth]	Jesus' resurrection	The women find the tomb empty

^{*} not mentioned in the bible

Lent to Easter

This reflection booklet is designed to accompany individuals, families, RCIA groups, parish organisations, ministries, and small Christian communities throughout the Lenten and Easter seasons. It is our hope that by reflecting on the Word of God, they come to encounter more intimately Christ's passion, death, and resurrection.

We pray that this resource will enrich the spiritual journey of your parishioners as they walk with Christ from Lent into the newness of life at Easter.



Let us prepare our hearts this Lent & Easter for the newness of life in Christ Jesus

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LENTEN EVENTS

Intercessory Prayers (every 2nd Wed of the Month)

St Joseph Intercessory Prayer Group

Intercessory Prayer Session @ Adoration Room Every 2nd Wednesday of the Month

> Starting: 12 March 2025, Wednesday Time: 8:00-9:00pm

"First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings should be made for everyone." 1 Tim 2:1

April May June

July

Oct

Nov

Dec

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



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

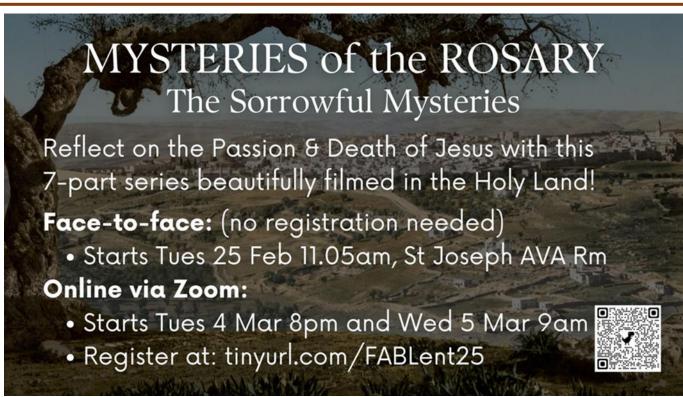
Mass: 8.00 pm Main Church

What's on your Mind? (09 Mar @ 2 pm)



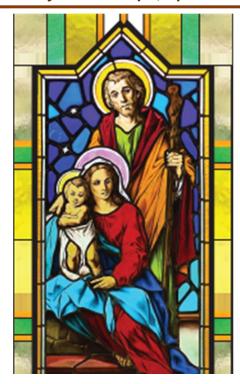
This Lent, join the Youth Faith & Bible Reflections community as we explore life, faith and purpose. Register at: tinyurl.com/YFABLent25

Mysteries of the Rosary (Tue 11 Mar in person OR Tue 11 Mar via Zoom)



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

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.

Holy Hour for Vocations (Thu 20 Mar @ 8.00 pm)

Holy Hour for Vocations Thu 20 Mar 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!



Picnic with Dad (Sat 22 Mar)



Join us for a picnic in the parish with dad in this month of St Joseph! Please bring your picnic mat and enough food and snacks for your family. Register at: tinyurl.com/Dadpicnic2025

Prayer thru Music (Wed 26 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)

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







"He loved us"



e-mail:sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com

SSVP Statement of Accounts

Society of St Vincent de Paul Conference of St Joachim Statement of Income and Expenses for Feb 2025

Donations	\$ 17,700.97	
Expenditure	\$ 18,779.83	
Deficit	\$ 1,078.86	

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

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Canossaville

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Every year on 3rd March, the world comes together to celebrate World Hearing Day—a day dedicated to raising awareness about hearing loss, promoting ear and hearing care, and emphasising the importance of early intervention.

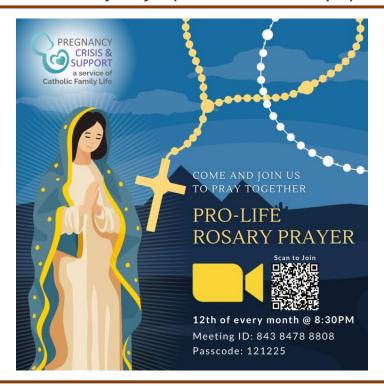
Here in Singapore, Canossaville is committed to empowering children with hearing loss from as young as 18 months to 12 years old. Through their inclusive environment, they learn, play, and grow alongside their hearing peers, ensuring they have every opportunity to thrive.

Discover how Canossaville helps children hear the beautiful sounds of God's creation - https://youtu.be/jT1gTBGdNRs.

Visit <u>canossaville.org.sg</u> to learn how you can help make an impact!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Pro-Life Rosary Prayer (Wed 12 Mar @ 8.30 pm)



Our Lady of Guadalupe Pro-Life Rosary by Pregnancy Crisis & Support a service of Catholic Family Life

"The power of the Rosary is beyond description"

The Our Lady of Guadalupe Pro-Life Rosary is a beautiful way to pray for the unborn children and all who are affected by abortion. Let our Rosaries be our weapon against the culture of death and let us pray for the dawning of a new culture, the culture of LIFE!

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Pray for us!

SACCRE (15 Mar @ 12 nn)



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

CJC 50th Anniversary (Sat 15 Mar)



Come Sit with Me Lah! (Commencing 18 Mar)



The retreat is facilitated by Lay Spiritual Directors from Life Direction Singapore in collaboration with the Friars of San Damiano Franciscan Centre.

The retreatants will meet once a week with the larger community to experience different forms of praying and small group faith sharing of their experiences encountered in their prayer time at home.

Scripture/readings will be provided to help the retreatants into the daily

rhythm of prayer.

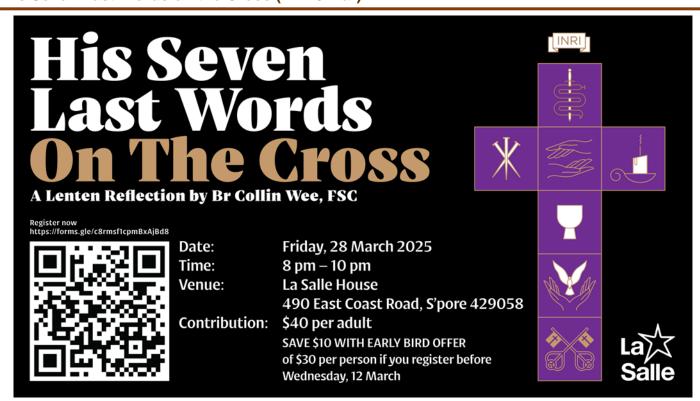
Creating Safe Spaces (22 - 23 Mar)



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)



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Choice Weekend (29 – 31 Mar)



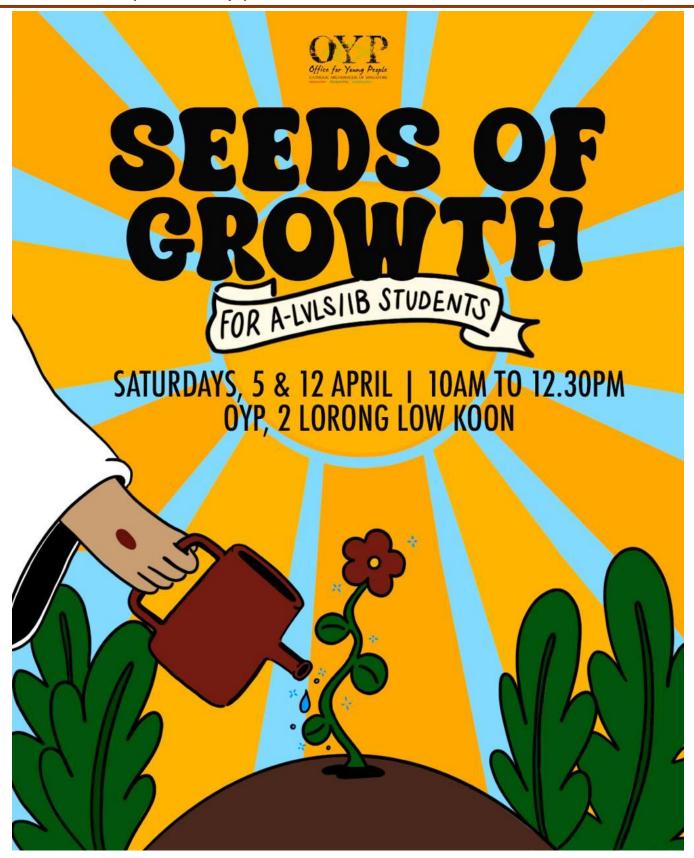
SHINE25



Calling all Polytechnic, ITE and Private diploma students between 16-25 y/o! SHINE is a Catholic encounter retreat for all who are currently studying or waiting to be enrolled in any local Polytechnic, ITE, or private diploma institutions!

Jesus calls you to abide and remain with Him as you enter into a new academic year! Come and accept His invitation!

Seeds of Growth (Sat 5 & 12 Apr)



OYP is back with its next run of Seeds of Growth — happening over two Saturdays in April for all Alevels/IB students!

There'll be worship, faith formation sessions, prayer, and fellowship. Come and grow in friendship with God, and fellow A-levels/IB students!

Heart-to-Heart Conversations (Sat 05 Apr)

HEART-TO-HEART CONVERSATIONS (H2H)

Date: 5 Apr 2025 OR 3 May 2025

Time: 9.30am - 3:30pm

Venue: Kingsmead Centre

Cost: \$100/- (lunch included)







Register at: www.catholicleader.sg

Do you desire to be a better leader or a better companion in journeying with others? Start with being a better listener as listening is the foundation of accompaniment. This Listening Recollection provides participants a sacred time and safe space to reflect silently and listen to God in His Word. Thereafter they are invited to listen to one another without judgment and receive the gift of being listened to with undivided attention, within small groups.

Companions (Sat 12 Apr)

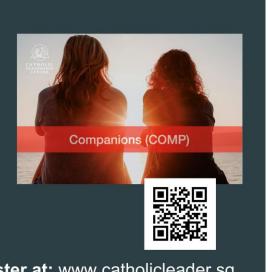
COMPANIONS (COMP)

Date: 12 Apr 2025 & 17 May 2025

Time: 9.30am - 12.30pm

Venue: Agape Village

Cost: \$60/- (teabreak included)

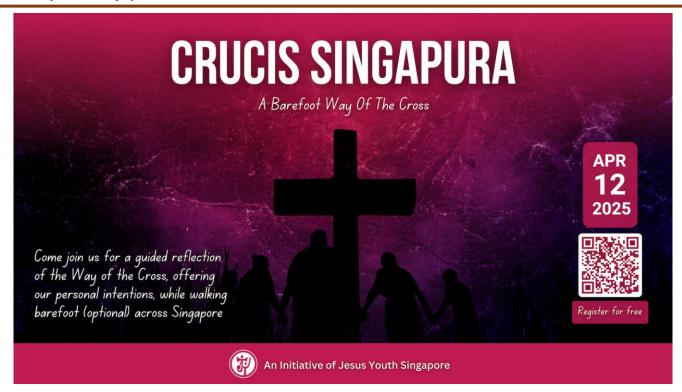




Register at: www.catholicleader.sq

As baptised followers of Jesus, we are all called to accompany one another in our journey towards holiness. Experience a taster of what it means to be walked with and to walk alongside another within a mutually enriching relationship, each supporting the other to grow in faith and holiness together.

Crucis (Sat 12 Apr)



Jesus Youth invites you to join Crucis Singapura, a unique 'Way of the Cross" experience, where participants walk barefoot (optional) across the island, marking the sign of the Cross. Participants can choose from one of four pre defined routes, ranging from 6 to 18 km. The event is scheduled for 12th April 2025, and registration is free.

Register at https://singapore.iesusyouth.org by 6th April 2025. For any inquiries, contact Aji George at 8339 1887.

Paschal Triduum : Holy Week Retreat (17 – 20 Apr)



There will be daily input sessions, spiritual direction, Sacraments and Liturgies from Maundy Thursday to Easter Sunday. Due to limited rooms, early registration is recommended.

Mission to Bogor (30 Apr – 4 May)



St. I osemaria: "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 to the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, a neogothic 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

https://www.gebirah.org/bogorrefugees

@ gebirahecharis-singapore.org



From Shifting Sand to Solid Ground (17 - 18 May)

From Shifting Sand to Solid Ground

A Midlife Retreat by Sr. Bubbles, RC

Dates: 17-18 May 2025

Venue: La Salle House

We need to walk on shifting sand to find a home on Solid Ground.





The retreat will evoke significant questions during this life transition: Who am I? How have my relationships impacted me? How would I like to live meaningfully and fruitfully? While the approach to this retreat is psycho-spiritual, the call at this life stage is essentially to undertake a spiritual journey towards a more intimate relationship with self, others and God.

Marriage Preparation Courses



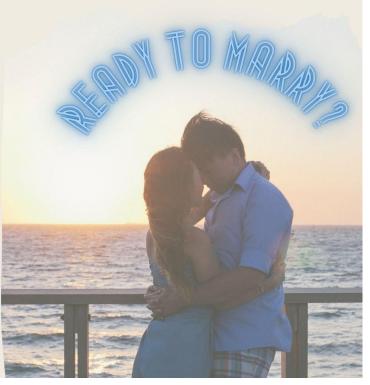
This course, spanning over 6 half-day sessions on weekends, is designed to help couples build strong foundation for a lasting fulfilling marriage.



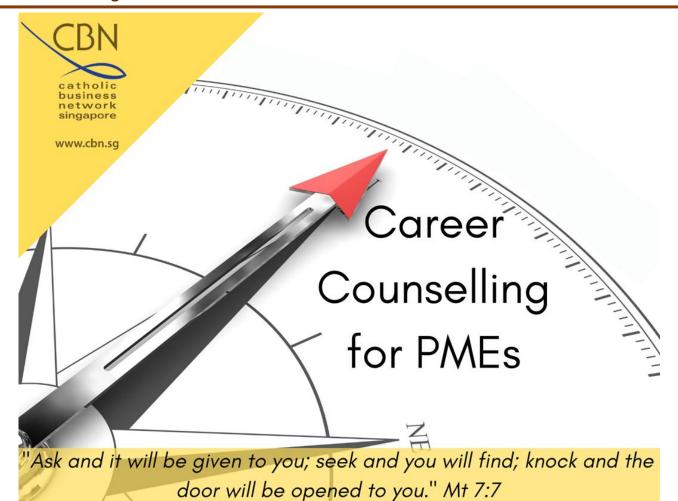


Couples intending to celebrate your union in the Catholic Church are encouraged to attend MPC as early as possible before your wedding date

For more info: www.mpcsingapore.com



CBN Counselling



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✓ 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