



# St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 22 March 2026 • 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent (Year A)

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🕒 Gate Opening Hours:  
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

## Official Launch of our 180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations



With praise and thanksgiving to God, we have formally launched our 180th Anniversary Celebrations with the introduction of the Plenary Indulgence on Thursday 19 March, Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

At the 7.00 pm Mass in the Main Church, Msgr Peter Zhang elaborated on what a Plenary Indulgence is and the prescribed conditions that need to be fulfilled to gain the indulgence. You can refer to the poster placed at the Statue of St Joseph or check the Church website for the conditions.

It was also a timely occasion to remember our founding priest, Fr Anatole Mauduit. A Memorial Plaque has been installed which contains (*on the left*) a transcription (or a copy) of the original tombstone of Fr Anatole which is written in Latin and Chinese; as well as (*on the right*) a translation in English.



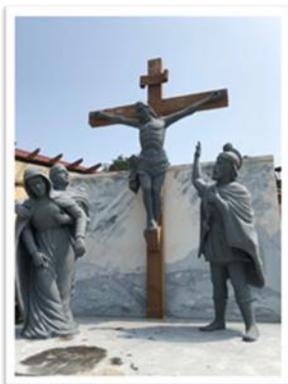
Finally, we had the privilege of ringing our new Church bells for the first time for a Mass.

The horizontal bell tower contains 7 bells named after saints.

The bell tower has yet to be fully completed. Still pending are the installation of the lighting bearing the 4 marks of the Church; and a little piazza (a little open space in front of the bell tower) with benches for parishioners to sit and pray.

# AROUND THE PARISH – LENT

## Fridays in Lent (Fri 20 Mar)



### Date

Friday 20 Feb	Friday after Ash Wed
Friday 27 Feb	First Friday in Lent
Friday 06 Mar	Second Friday in Lent
Friday 13 Mar	Third Friday in Lent
Friday 20 Mar	Fourth Friday in Lent
Friday 27 Mar	Fifth Friday in Lent

## Fridays in Lent

Stations of the Cross : 7.30 pm  
 Mass : 8.00 pm  
 Main Church

There will be no 6.30 pm Mass in the Chapel of St Joseph on these Fridays.

## Holy Week Mass Timings

### 2026 HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE



**PALM SUNDAY**  
 (圣枝主日)

**28 MARCH**  
 5.30PM  
 (Sunset Mass)

**29 MARCH**  
 7.30AM (华语弥撒)  
 9.30AM  
 11.30AM  
 5.30PM



**MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
 (圣周四)

**02 APRIL**  
 6.30PM  
 8.00PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after 8.00PM Mass, till Midnight  
 (No 6.30AM Mass)



**GOOD FRIDAY**  
 (圣周五)

**03 APRIL**  
 9.00AM (华语礼仪)  
 11.00AM (Service)  
 1.00PM (Service)

**3.00PM**  
 (Stations and Service)



**EASTER VIGIL**  
 (圣周六)

**04 APRIL**  
 7.30PM  
 (with Baptism)  
 (No 6.30AM Mass)



**EASTER SUNDAY**  
 (复活主日)

**05 APRIL**  
 7.30AM (华语弥撒)  
 9.30AM  
 11.30AM  
 5.30PM  
 2.00PM  
 (华语弥撒+领洗)

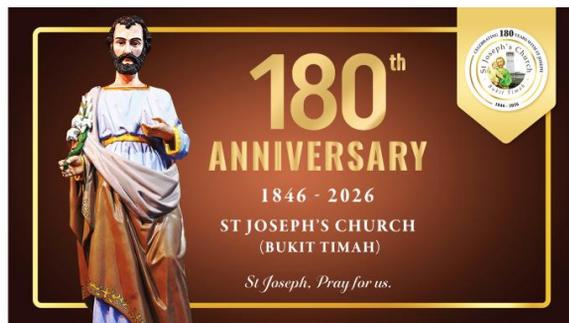
St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Parishioners can collect a copy of the Holy Week Mass Timing cards at the entrances of the Church.

180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner Bookings

# 180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner

Sunday 10 May @ 7 pm  
Orchid Country Club



Dear Parishioners

Bookings are now open for our 180<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner.

Closing date extended to **Tue 31 March**.

Please indicate if you require transportation to the venue and back.

Payment will only be made upon confirmation of your tickets.

Please click on the link below or scan the QR code to reserve your seats.



**Registration link : <https://forms.gle/zGxzReGjcXJJGWv97>**

**Plenary Indulgence (launching on Thu 19 Mar @ 7 pm Mass in Main Church)**

The Plenary Indulgence will be launched on the Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary which falls on Thu 19 Mar 2026. The evening Mass will be held at 7 pm in the Main Church.

Parishioners are invited to attend the Mass and then learn more about what a plenary indulgence is.

## PLENARY INDULGENCE

On the occasion of the 180th Anniversary of St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah), our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, has granted a plenary indulgence valid until the end of the year. The faithful are invited to come and pray before the statue of St Joseph and follow the prescribed conditions indicated below.

**Prescribed General Conditions for receiving Plenary Indulgence**

The faithful are asked to

- have complete detachment from sin;
- receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation;
- receive the Holy Eucharist; and
- pray for the intentions of the Holy Father

and to perform one of these aspects after visiting the statue of St Joseph

1. attend Mass;
2. perform one Corporal Work of Mercy; or
3. perform one Spiritual Work of Mercy

## Registration for Food and Non-Food Stalls

### 2026 Feast Day Food & Non-Food Stall Applications

**THE GREAT ST JOSEPH FEAST DAY**  
**Saturday, 2 May 2026 \*Optional\* (5 pm – 8 pm)**  
**Sunday, 3 May 2026 (7am-2pm)**

Applications for Feast Day Food & Non-Food Stalls is now open. Please register your interest at this link or QR Code :



<https://forms.gle/yuoTf4Dn43WoWu7j7>

Deadline for registration is **05 April 2026**.

Meeting for all food stall holders will be held on

**12 and 26 April @ 1pm in**  
St Thomas Aquinas #02-01  
(Parish Community Hall )



Parishioners who are interested to set up food or non-food stalls are to register their interest in the link.

By participating in this event, you acknowledge and agree that this is a non-profit initiative, and all proceeds will be donated to the church.

The respective organisers will be getting in touch with you to follow up on your submission.

## Flower Donations

### St Joseph's Feast Day Flower Donations

Honour our Patron Saint with an offering of flowers.



Place your requests at this link :  
<https://forms.gle/YXPig2dtJnriP19G6>  
or via this QR code .

All contributions will go to St Joseph's Church.

Closing Date : Tue 28 April 2026



**Divine Mercy Way of the Cross (Wed 18 Mar)**

# Divine Mercy Way of the Cross

Please note change of dates :  
~~Thurs 19, 26 Mar and 02 Apr~~  
Wed 18 Mar, Thurs 26 Mar and  
Tues 31 Mar  
@ 8 PM in Chapel of St Joseph

For more information,  
contact Michael @ 9270 1712.

All are Welcome



Please take note of the changes in the dates for the following sessions.

**Divine Mercy Novena**

## Novena to the Divine Mercy

- Day 1 : 03 April - Good Friday @ 5pm
- Day 2 : 04 April - Holy Saturday @ 3 pm
- Day 3 : 05 April - Easter Sunday @ 3 pm
- Day 4 : 06 April - Easter Monday @ 8 pm
- Day 5 : 07 April - Easter Tuesday @ 8 pm
- Day 6 : 08 April - Easter Wednesday @ 8 pm
- Day 7 : 09 April - Easter Thursday @ 8 pm
- Day 8 : 10 April - Easter Friday @ 8 pm
- Day 9 : 11 April - Easter Saturday @ 1pm



Venue : Chapel of St Joseph

Invitation to Ordination to the Priesthood (Mon 01 June @ 10 am)

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE ORDINATION TO THE

*Priesthood* OF

BERNARD TNG HONG YI | EUGENE CHAN YAU SENG  
MARCUS DOMINIC CHEW WEI | KEVIN WEE LIN



**MONDAY, 1 JUNE 2026, 10:00 AM**  
**ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH (BUKIT TIMAH)**

MASS FOLLOWED BY A LUNCH FOR ALL  
ALL ARE WELCOME!

"Lord you know everything; you know that I love you."  
Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep."

Dear St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah),

With gratitude to God, I am delighted to share that together with Dcn. Bernard Tng, Dcn. Kevin Wee, Dcn. Marcus Chew and I will be ordained to the Sacred Order of the Presbyterate on Monday, 1 June 2026, 10am at St Joseph Church Bukit Timah.

Having been attached to this parish back in 2023, I have been deeply blessed by the love, support, and encouragement of this community in my journey of formation particularly with the hosting of the entire Diaconate Ordination. It is therefore with heartfelt joy that I extend an open invitation to the entire parish community to join us for the Ordination Mass and the lunch reception that will follow.

Do note that carpark space within the Church is reserved solely for Clergy and family members of the ordinates as we will be putting up tentages. However, parishioners who want to drive have the option of parking at CMPB public carpark, which is a 5-7min walk to the parish.

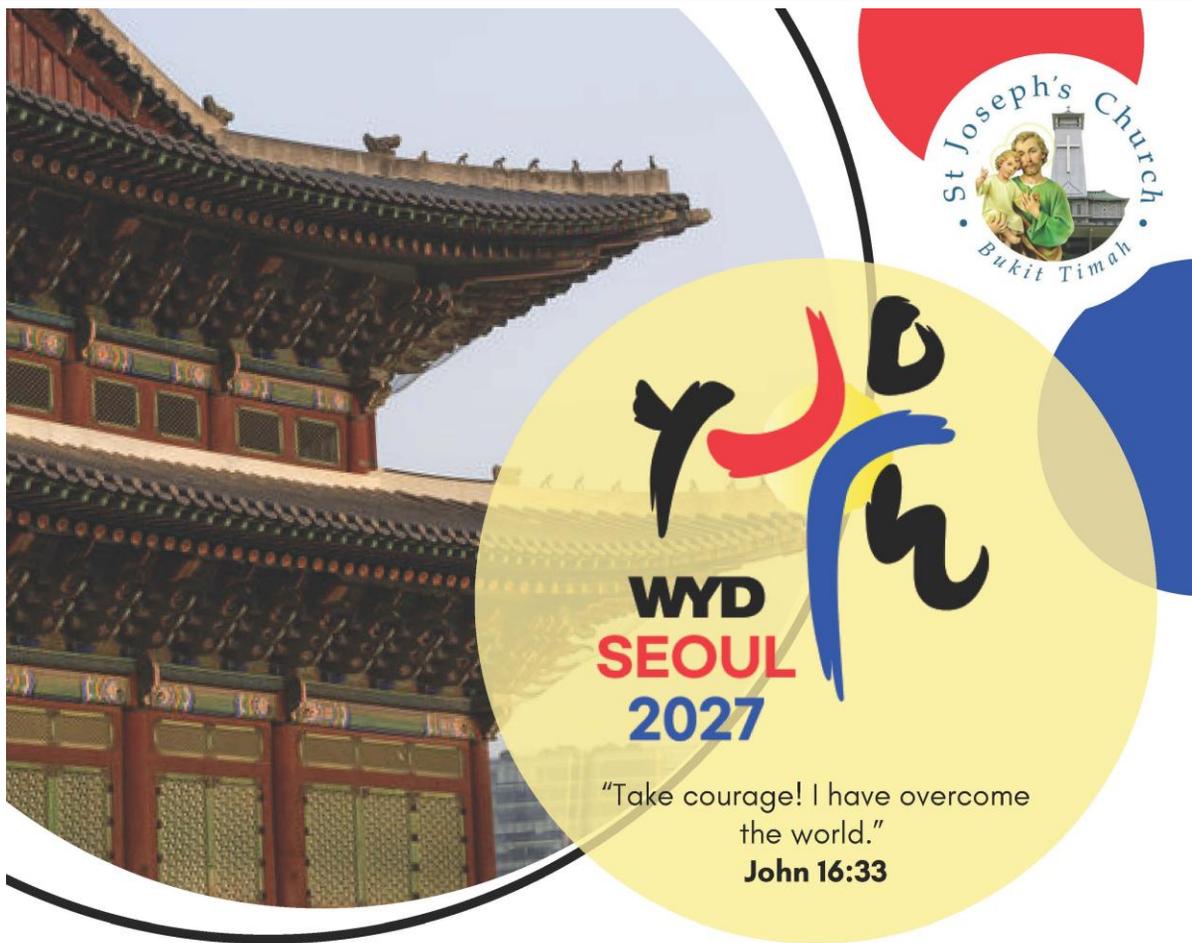
To assist in sharing this news, I have attached an e-poster and a slide with the relevant details, which may be used for parish announcements or circulation.

Thank you sincerely for your prayers and continued support. I look forward to celebrating this special occasion with you all.

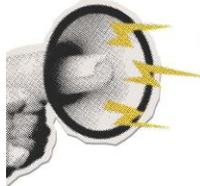
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Dcn Eugene Chan  
St. Anne's Church



## Recruitment for World Youth Day (21 and 22 Mar)



### CALLING ALL YOUTHS IN ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH (BUKIT TIMAH)!!



WORLD YOUTH DAY IS COMING AND WE ARE BRINGING YOU TO CELEBRATE THIS EXCITING GLOBAL GATHERING TO SEOUL. SO COME JOIN US AND TOGETHER WE DEEPEN OUR FAITH AS A COMMUNITY!

**Location:** Seoul, Korea

**Package 1**  
**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> August 2027  
**Age:** 19 - 35 yrs old  
**Price:** \$1,700 - \$2,100 (Simple Accoms)

**Package 2**  
**Date:** 1<sup>st</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> August 2027 (tentative)  
**Age:** Young working adults, Families  
**Price:** \$4,000 - \$4,700 (4-star Hotel)

Scan the QR code for our linktree!



St. Joseph's youth ministry is excited to share that World Youth Day 2027 in Seoul is coming!! They are planning to gather interested individuals from our parish to be a part of this incredible journey of faith, friendship and community. The first package are for youths 19 to 35 and the second package are for youths 19+ and accompanied minors. For more information, the youths will be handing out brochures at the foyer next to the welcome desk!

Kids Bible Camp – Helpers Wanted



The poster features a cartoon boy on the left, a sun on the right, and a central banner with the text 'KIDS BIBLE CAMP HELPERS WANTED!' and '13-16 JUNE'. A QR code is provided for more information.

**KIDS BIBLE CAMP**  
**HELPERS WANTED!**

13-16 JUNE

SCAN QR FOR MORE INFO!

We are looking for adult helpers for the Kids Bible Camp from 13-16 June. Please go to <https://tinyurl.com/2026KBChelper> for more information."

Assisi Fun Day : Ticket Sales on Sat 28 and Sun 29 March



The poster is for 'ASSISI FUN DAY' and 'CHARITY CARNIVAL WITH MORE THAN 100 STALLS'. It includes the Assisi Hospice logo, event details, a QR code for coupons/donations, and social media links.

**ASSISI FUN DAY**

14 JUN 26 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.assisifunday.sg donate@assisihospice.org.sg 6832 2859 assisihospice assisi\_hospice

The Assisi staff and volunteers will be in St Joseph's Church on the weekend of 28 and 29 March to sell their tickets. Please do give them your support.

## AROUND THE PARISH

Prayer thru Music (Thu 26 Mar @ 8 pm)



### Prayer thru Music ©

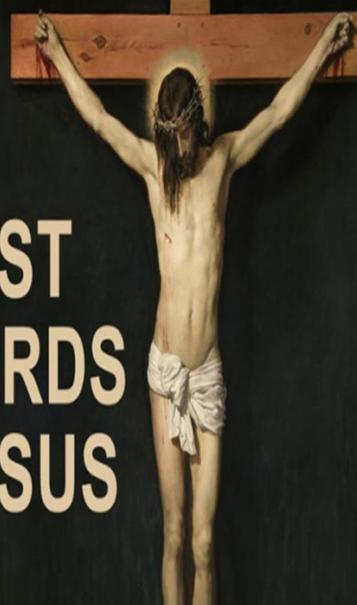
(brought to you by SAHOP)

- ❖ Praise & Worship
  - ❖ Scripture Reading
  - ❖ Intercessory Prayers
  - ❖ Spiritual Talk
  - ❖ Community Bonding
- (Thursday) 26 March 2026**  
**at 8.00pm, Level 3, AVA Room,**  
**Parish Community Hall**



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# THE 7 LAST WORDS OF JESUS



Sharing by  
Rev Fr Joseph Zhang

Tenebrae (Fri 3 Apr @ 5 pm)

# Tenebrae

*Service of Shadows*

Join us on Good Friday for this ancient & solemn service of prayers, hymns and reflections on Jesus' final hours.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Good Friday, 3 April 2026  
5pm - 6pm (after 3pm  
Good Friday Service)  
Parish Community Hall

Presented by the Youth Groups  
of St Joseph's Church  
(Bukit Timah)

All parishioners are warmly invited to the Tenebrae service on Good Friday to reflect more deeply on the Passion of Jesus through music, Scripture, prayer and reflections. This will be at 5pm on Good Friday in the Parish Community Hall after the 3pm Good Friday Service. All are welcome

## SHINE Retreat (21 – 25 Mar)



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 invites you to come and walk with Him as you enter into a new academic year!

## Pieta (Tue 24 Mar)

### Pieta Prayer Support for Bereaved Parents

Tues 24 March 2026 from 7.30pm to 9.15pm on Zoom



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.

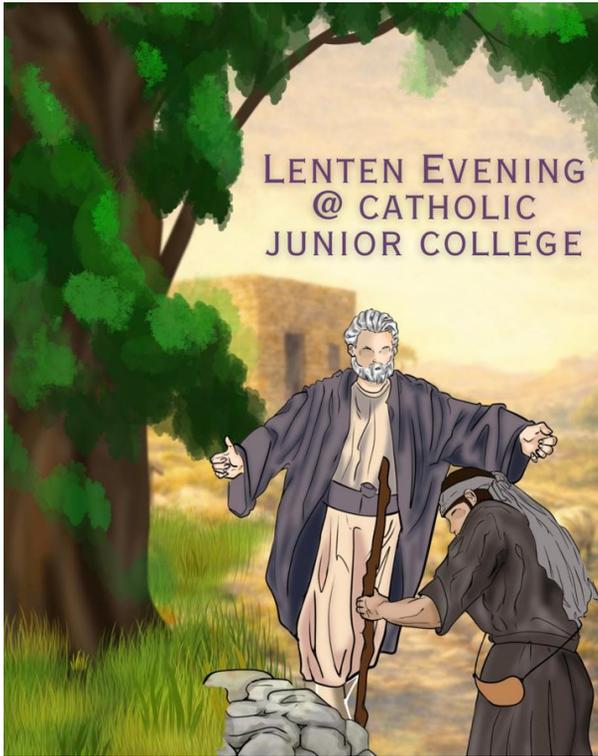
Enquiries: [pieta.singapore@gmail.com](mailto:pieta.singapore@gmail.com)

or <https://pieta.familylife.sg/>

*Please email us directly for the Zoom link.*

Note: In April, we will be meeting in person at Catholic Family Life at Highland Road. Please email us for details.

## Lenten Evening @ CJC (Fri 27 Mar)



### Calling all youths aged 15 to 19!

Catholic Junior College (CJC) is hosting its annual **Lenten Evening** programme, and you're warmly invited to attend.

Date: Friday, 27 March 2026

Time:

- 5.30 to 6.30pm: Registration & Dinner
- 6.30 to 9.30pm: Programme including input, prayer, group sharing, praise & worship, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Venue: CJC

Cost: Free

Scan the QR Code or visit [go.gov.sg/cjclent26](https://go.gov.sg/cjclent26) to sign up by Friday, 20 March!



## Crucis Singapura (Sat 28 Mar)

# CRUCIS SINGAPURA

*A Barefoot Way of The Cross*

MAR 28 2026

Come join us for a guided reflection of the Way of the Cross, offering our personal intentions, while walking barefoot (optional) across Singapore

**JUBILEE YEAR** 25 |  An Initiative of Jesus Youth Singapore  
OCT 2025 - OCT 2026

“Jesus Youth invites you to join ‘Crucis Singapura’ – a unique ‘Way of the Cross’ prayed while walking barefoot across the island marking the sign of the Cross. Since its inception in 2011, this annual event has invited young people to reflect on the Passion of Christ through a contemplative experience, sharing in His suffering through the Crucis Singapura journey. Participants will walk in pairs across 4 pre-defined routes, varying from about 4-8 km. Registration is free.

Register by Sunday, 22nd March via the QR code in the notice board or directly via Jesus Youth Singapore website.”

Walking with the Broken-hearted (Sat 28 Mar)

API CARE & COUNSELLING

# Walking with the Broken-hearted: An Integrative Christian Perspective on Grief and Depression

*"Out of the Depths I Cry to You, O Lord..."*  
Psalm 130:1



## SCHEDULE

-  **Sat 28 March, 2026**
-  **9:30 am - 4:30 pm**
-  **20 Aljunied Rd, S389805**
-  **\$100 per pax (without lunch)**

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Appreciate grief & depression using psychological & theological lenses
- Normalise grief and lament within the Christian faith
- Discern when grief becomes depression
- Integrate practical Christian spiritual resources for recovery
- Understand suicide risk and establish a framework for assessing and managing risk
- Engage in participative learning through case studies

## SYNOPSIS

Grief and depression are common human experiences, yet many Christians struggle to understand them without guilt or confusion. This public workshop offers an integrative Christian perspective that brings together psychological insight, theological wisdom, and pastoral sensitivity.

Participants will learn to appreciate grief and clinical depression through both psychological and Christian lenses, normalising grief and lament as alternative responses to loss. The workshop will help attendees discern when grief remains a healthy process and when it may develop into clinical depression, requiring additional care. It will also introduce Christian spiritual resources for recovery that support believers who are suffering, as well as practical steps for assessing and managing suicide risk systematically and responsibly.



[For more details and registration click here](#)

Easter Mission of Mercy (1 – 15 Apr)

# Easter Mission of Mercy to HCM City, Vietnam



**Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Ta Pao**

## Be A Pilgrim of Hope

### 11-15 April 2026

During this Easter season, the Church invites us not only to rejoice in the Resurrection—but to become witnesses of mercy. We invite you to join us on this life-changing mission—a journey of love, mercy, and transformation, where we will bring hope, love, and tangible support to the vulnerable and the abandoned.

**Who We Will Serve**

**Pho Cap School for the Poor and with autism**

**Thien Phuoc Home for orphans with disabilities**

**Son Ky Orphanage**



Please Share With Your Friends

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[www.gebirah.org/hcmc](http://www.gebirah.org/hcmc)

BTOgether (Fri 10 Apr)



# Getting Married:

# BT ogether

BY FR AMBROSE VAZ

Are you and your partner ready for the next step?



Discern how to build a future that honours God and the family you hope to create through the lens of our Catholic faith.



**10 APRIL 2026 (FRIDAY),  
8PM-10PM**



**CANA THE CATHOLIC  
CENTRE, LEVEL 3**



**\$20 per pax /  
\$35 for two**



REGISTER AT: [FAMILYLIFE.SG/BTOGETHER](https://familylife.sg/btogether)

God and Me in My Autistic World (Fri 01 May)

ORGANISED BY:  
MAMRE OAKS X FAITH AND LIGHT

# GOD AND ME IN MY AUTISTIC WORLD

**What goes on in the soul of a person with autism when that soul connects with God?**



Date | 1 May 2026  
Time | 9am - 1pm  
Venue | Church of St. Mary of the Angels

SCAN HERE



RSVP BY 15 APR 2026

TALK BY **Friar Derrick Yap, OFM** | PANEL DISCUSSION **Prof. Kenneth Poon | Dr. Eunice Tan**

This talk is a special invitation to persons with autism with low support needs and their families to join us at Church of St. Mary of the Angels for "God and Me in my Autistic World".

It explores what happens in the soul of a person with autism when they connect with God.