



St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 02 Aug 2026 • 18th Sun Ordinary Time (Year A)

 620 Upper Bukit Timah Road
Singapore 678116

 Gate Opening Hours:
6.00am to 10.00pm

 stjoseph-bt.org.sg/

 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

A Warm Welcome to Fr Jovita Ho & Fr Leo Justin



We welcome with open hearts our 2 new Shepherds to our parish family.
May God bless your ministry, and may you feel at home at St Joseph's Church.

Beware of Scams : Surge in Clergy Email Impersonation

Please be alert to fraudulent emails impersonating priests that have been going around.

3 Simple Steps to Stay Safe:

- Check the Sender's Full Email Address: Scammers often display the clergy's real name, but the actual email address behind it will be fake
- Never Fulfill Urgent Financial Requests via Email: Clergy members will never ask for gift cards, wire transfers, or immediate cash favors via email.
- Verify Outside of Email: If a message feels unusual or overly urgent, verify it directly via a trusted phone number or in person before replying.

Report the scammer's email:

1. Open the suspicious email. DO NOT CLICK ON ANY LINKS inside the email
2. Next to the Reply button at the top right of the email body, click the Three Vertical Dots (More Options) icon.
3. Click "Report phishing".
4. Confirm by clicking "Report phishing" in the pop-up box. (Depending on your email provider, look for a similar "Report Phishing" or "Report Junk" option in the email menu.)

Please report any such emails you receive to the Parish Office.

Do stay safe and do not fall prey to these scams. When in doubt, contact the Parish Office.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This year, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, ordinarily celebrated on 15 August, has been transferred to Sunday 16 August.

This means that attending the Sunset Mass on Sat 15 August and the Sunday Masses on Sun 16 August will fulfil the holy days of obligation.



First Wed Mass in Honour of St Joseph (Wed 05 Aug @ 7.30 pm)



MASS
IN HONOUR OF
ST JOSEPH
FIRST WEDNESDAY
05 AUGUST 2026
7.30pm St Joseph Rosary
8.00pm Mass



First Friday Mass and Holy Hour (Fri 07 Aug @ 7.30 pm)



FIRST FRIDAY
HOLY HOUR
7.30 PM MASS
8.00 PM HOLY HOUR
Date : 07 August 2026
Speaker : Fr Edward Seah
Theme : Assumption of the BVM



Novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary (commencing on 08 & 09 Aug)

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Sunday 4 October 2026
6 pm : Mass
7 pm : Candlelight Procession

Novena
In preparation for the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we will be praying the Novena to the Immaculate Heart at all Masses commencing on the weekend of 08 and 09 August.



Public Holiday Mass Timing (Mon 10 Aug)



Mass Timing
on Public Holiday

Mon 10 August 2026
8.00 am
Main Church

(there will be no 6.30 am & 6.30 pm
Masses in the Chapel)

Infant Baptism (4 Oct)

INFANT BAPTISM

Year 2026

	RITE OF BAPTISM @ 1:30PM	PREPARATION SESSION 1 @1:30PM (Zoom) For parents and godparent	PREPARATION SESSION 2 @1:30PM (AVA SJ room) For parents and godparent	CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION:
	4 OCT 2026	13 SEPT 2026	27 SEPT 2026	15 AUG 2026

Parents seeking Baptism for their infant or child, please visit our website: **St. Joseph's Church, Bukit Timah**. Download the '**Infant Baptism Registration**' form (under *Services>Sacraments>Baptism*) and submit your registration with the relevant documents to Parish Secretary.

Email: sjcbt.secretariat@catholic.org.sg

AROUND THE PARISH

Elements of the Catholic Mass (Commencing



8 sessions on the Mass
In-person and Online via Zoom
Tues 8.00*-9.45pm
Wed 9.00-10.45am

'Elements of the Catholic Mass' is a video series designed to help the faithful better appreciate the beauty of the Mass. Featuring Father Douglas Martis, former director of the Liturgical Institute, USA



In-person: *Aug 4 7.30pm & Aug 5 9.00am
St Joseph AVA Room
Online via Zoom: Aug 11/12, 17/18, 25/26
Sep 1/2, 8/9, 15/16, 22/23

Heritage Tours (Sat 08 Aug or Wed 12 Aug @ 10 am)

DISCOVER OUR ROOTS: HERITAGE TOURS

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH (BUKIT TIMAH)



SATURDAY, 08 AUGUST @ 10 AM
ST JOSEPH AVA ROOM

WEDNESDAY, 12 AUGUST @ 10 AM
ST JOSEPH AVA ROOM



SCAN TO REGISTER

In celebration of our 180th Anniversary, we invite you to join guided tours around our Church. Discover the beauty, heritage, and people who have made this Church your home.

Family & Youth Conference (Sat 22 Aug @ 9 am)



Family & Youth Conference

Family Formation

SPEAKERS:
Nick Jarvis Tan
"Discipleship in Work, Relationships & Everyday Life"



Redemptorist Mission Team
Church of St Alphonsus (Kewena Church)
403 Havelock Road, Singapore 160143
02767 2123 and 02767 8123 (09:00 am - 05:00 pm)
info@redemptoristmission.org.sg
www.redemptoristmission.org.sg



Redemptorist Mission Team
"From Joseph to Saint"

THEME: "The Virtues of St Joseph"

Saturday, August 22, 2026
9:00am to 4.30pm
St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

SPECIAL BREAKOUTS:

- Parents
- Children 6-12 years
- Teens 13-18 years
- Young Adults 19-35 years

REGISTER



SPEAKERS:



BE+live Ministry
"BE.brave, Love Big!"



Kirk & Clarissa Ho
"Becoming the Parent our Children Need"

Prayer thru Music (Fri 28 Aug @ 8.00 pm)



SAHOP ©
(Prayer thru Music)



Sr Elizabeth Sim

“Life in GOD & Ego-Death”



❖ Praise & Worship
❖ Scripture Reading
❖ Intercessory Prayers
❖ Spiritual Talk
❖ Community Bonding

(Friday) 28 August 2026
8.00pm, AVA Room, Level 3,
Parish Community Hall

E-mail: sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com





CHOICE Weekend (8 – 10 Aug)



CHOICE WEEKEND

FOR YOUNG ADULTS
SINGLE OR DATING
18-40
A CATHOLIC FAMILY LIFE AFFILIATE

Learn how to *love deeply* and *live authentically*

- Reflect on your relationships
- Hear raw, honest stories from singles, couples and religious voices
- Grow in self-awareness navigating relationships, faith and identity

UPCOMING WEEKEND
8 – 10 August (Sat – Mon),
📍 *Stay-in @ ME House (Punggol)*
There are other run in October



Registrations open now

Landings (Commencing Mon 12 Aug)



Feeling distant from your faith? You’re not alone.

Come home to peace, purpose, and community. Landings Singapore invites you to a safe, non-judgmental 10-week journey to explore your questions, rediscover the sacraments, and find belonging. No pressure, just open hearts and open doors.

When: Mondays, 12 August (first session on Wednesday due to Public holiday) to 19 October 2026

Where: Church of the Holy Spirit or Church of Queen of Peace

Your journey home starts here. **Scan the QR code to find out more.**
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Diocesan Vocation Retreat (14 – 16 Aug)

*My Soul
Magnifies the Lord*





SFXMS
Diocesan Vocation Retreat

Will you be His priest to magnify Him?

Date: 14-16 Aug 2026*

Register by 31 Jul:

<https://tinyurl.com/vocationretreat2026>

**For men aged 21-35*



Have you felt a desire to give more? Do you think the Lord may be inviting you to consider the diocesan priesthood? The St Francis Xavier Major Seminary invites all young men aged 21 to 35 for their annual Vocation Retreat happening from 14 to 16 August. Priority will be given to first timers. Registration closes on 31 July.

Please use the attached QR code or registration links to sign-up.
<https://tinyurl.com/vocationretreat2026>

Little Shepherds’ Schoolhouse Open House (Sat 22 Aug)

Slots Remaining



**22 AUG
SATURDAY
9.00 AM-12.00 PM**



SECURE YOUR SPOT

LIMITED SLOTS LEFT



OPEN HOUSE

WAIVER OF ONE MONTH'S SCHOOL FEE

for all new enrolments registered during our Open House!
T&Cs apply

BOOK A TOUR TODAY

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Novena Youth Rally 2026 (Fri 4 Sep)



God Money & Me (Sat 05 Sep)

GOD, MONEY & ME

Learn how your finances, work, and family life can come together in God's plan.

 Orientation: Sat, 10am - 12pm
5 Sep 2026

 Sessions: Sat, 9am - 1pm
3, 10, 17, 24, 31 Oct 2026

 Location: Catholic Centre,
55 Waterloo Street

SIGN UP NOW



[catholicfoundation.sg/
god-money-and-me](https://catholicfoundation.sg/god-money-and-me)

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION

God Money & Me blends practical financial tools with Catholic principles, helping you build healthy habits, make values-based decisions, and experience the freedom of faithful stewardship.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Gentleness of Wisdom (7 – 9 Sep)

MONTFORTIAN EXPERIENCE RETREAT



Gentleness of Wisdom

MONTFORT CENTRE
TRANSMUTATION OF ALL FOR GOD ALONE

"How gentle, attractive and approachable is eternal Wisdom."
- LEW 5

7 – 9 Sep 2026
Monday, 7pm - Wednesday, 2pm

MONTFORT CENTRE
624 Upper Bukit Timah Road
Singapore 678212
(Enter via Assumption Pathway School, 30 Cashew Road)



SCAN HERE

"How gentle, attractive and approachable is eternal Wisdom." - LEW 5
Come, embrace and be embraced by Wisdom!
Based on the book, The Love of Eternal Wisdom, this retreat invites us into the gentle moments that explore the foundation of St Louis Marie de Montfort's spirituality: our relationship with Jesus Christ, Eternal and Incarnate Wisdom.

Retrouvaille Weekend (25 – 27 Sep)



RETRouvaille SINGAPORE

Retrouvaille Singapore is an affiliate of Catholic Family Life

a marriage lifeline



Is your marriage tearing you apart?
Are you considering divorce or separation?

RETRouvaille WEEKENDS

25 - 27 SEP 2026

retrouv.sg@gmail.com
+65 9628 0188

Register: bit.ly/RetroWESep26

Catholic Hackathon (9 – 11 Oct)



DIGITAL CHURCH OFFICE PRESENTS:
**A CATHOLIC
HACKATHON!**

9 to 11 October 2026

Bringing together people of faith, creativity, and innovation to build solutions for the Church!

Individual Sign Up: ~~\$20~~ **\$15**

Group of 3 Sign Up: ~~\$50~~ **\$30**

Early bird special
till 31 July!

Open to:
Designers | Developers | Professionals |
Students | Creatives | Anyone curious!

📍 CTIS, 618 Upp Bt Timah Rd

📱 @fiat.hack 🌐 mycatholic.sg/hackathon

**Sign up now at
mycatholic.sg/forms**

Digital Church Office will be organising a hackathon on 9-11 Oct where you can help to ideate solutions for various archdiocesan organisations.

Sign up now to be part of building the church of tomorrow with your talents!

Early bird signups close by 31 July and signups close by 30 August.

Catholic Prayer Society Lunchtime Masses



LUNCHTIME MASSES
near your workplace

Tuesdays 12:15pm

📍 **Perennial Business City**
1 Venture Avenue
Level 3, Meeting Rooms 3,4,5
Singapore 608521

Wednesdays 12:15pm

📍 **One Raffles Quay**
Level 49 North Tower
Singapore 048583

📍 **Medical Alumni Association**
2 College Road,
Level 1 Theatre
Singapore 169850

Fridays 12:15pm

📍 **One Raffles Quay**
Level 49 North Tower
Singapore 048583

📍 **Orchard Rendezvous Hotel**
1 Tanglin Road
Singapore 247905



🌐 cps.org.sg

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Do this in memory of Me

INTERCESSION RETREAT

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STANDING IN THE GAP

TALKS • PRAYER SESSIONS
WORKSHOP • MASS

A Weekend Retreat About
Praying for Others

THE RETREAT WILL HELP YOU:

- Gain a deeper understanding of intercession
- Learn to intercede and grow in confidence in praying spontaneously
- Apply what you learn by becoming intercessors for your family and loved ones
- Learn to lead communal intercession
- Form intercessory groups to support parish needs

Conducted by: CSC Retreat Team

Mass by: Msgr Peter Zhang



2026 : A JOURNEY OF
DISCIPLESHIP WITH ST PETER

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"the Spirit Himself intercedes"
— Romans 8:26

RETREAT DATE:

5-6 SEP 2026
(Saturday & Sunday)
8:30am - 6.45pm

RETREAT FEE:

\$109 (including 9% GST)

REGISTRATION OPENS:

10 JULY 2026

REGISTRATION CLOSES:

26 AUG 2026



REGISTER VIA QR OR
VISIT:

[HTTPS://BIT.LY/CSCIR11](https://bit.ly/CSCIR11)



Mass with Intentions (Sun 13 Sep)

MASS WITH INTENTIONS

FOR THE SPECIAL NEEDS COMMUNITY

13 September • Sunday • 12pm
Church of St Teresa



Check out the roadshow (9am–1.30pm)
by Catholic organisations supporting those
with special needs at **Cafe Lisieux!**

Organised by Office For Catechesis
in collaboration with
Catholic Family Life & St Francis Signlight





GEBIRAH MISSIONS
FAITH IN ACTION. LOVE IN SERVICE.



HONG KONG

MISSION 2026

6 – 10 NOVEMBER 2026

*After All Saints and All Souls,
COME WITH US
TO SERVE CHRIST
IN THE FORGOTTEN.*



*"Whatever you did
for one of the least
of these brothers
and sisters of mine,
you did for me."
— Matthew 25:40*

Hong Kong is a city of bright lights and hidden poverty. Many live unseen—homeless, refugees, migrants, elderly poor, and families struggling in difficult conditions.

Gebirah Missions will return to Hong Kong for a follow-up mission of service, solidarity, prayer and pilgrimage.



*Rooted in our Catholic Faith.
Sent by Love. Moved by Mercy.*

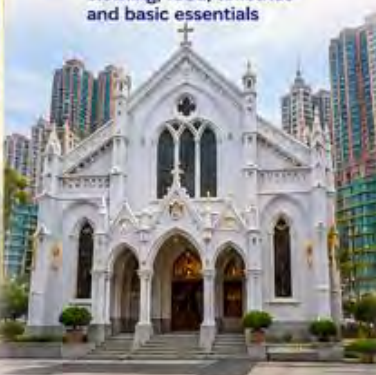
WHAT WE WILL DO

- Homeless outreach and dignity encounters
- Distribution of winter clothes, food, toiletries and essentials
- Support for refugees, migrants and marginalised families
- Menstrual health education and reusable pad distribution
- Follow-up visits from last year's mission
- Prayer, reflection and Catholic fellowship



WHO WE WILL SERVE

- Homeless persons
- Refugees and asylum seekers
- Migrant families
- Women and girls in need of menstrual health support
- Elderly poor
- Families living in hardship
- People who need winter clothing, food, toiletries and basic essentials



WHAT BENEFICIARIES NEED

- Winter jackets, sweaters, hoodies
- Warm socks, scarves, beanies, gloves
- Toiletries (toothpaste, soap, shampoo, etc.)
- Sanitary pads and reusable sanitary pads
- School supplies
- Non-perishable food
- Basic medicines where appropriate
- Financial sponsorship for mission expenses and aid distribution



WE WILL END OUR MISSION WITH A PILGRIMAGE TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER

After days of serving Christ in the poor, we will go to Mary to give thanks to God, to pray for our friends in Hong Kong, and to ask Our Lady to continue watching over them.

This pilgrimage is the spiritual crown of the mission — a moment to bring everything we have seen, carried, loved and suffered back to God through the hands of Mary.



HOW YOU CAN HELP



JOIN
as a volunteer missionary



DONATE
winter clothes and essentials



SPONSOR
a missionary or aid packs



HELP
with packing and logistics



SHARE
with your parish, family & friends



SEND
prayer petitions



PRAY
for the mission and the people of Hong Kong

UNABLE TO AFFORD THE MISSION?

If you are sincere in serving the marginalised, you can apply for **PART SPONSORSHIP**. We don't want cost to stop a sincere heart from serving.



THE POOR CANNOT WAIT.
Let us go where love is needed.

SIGN UP NOW
Places may be limited.



Be Christ. Bring Hope. Change Lives.

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