



St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 16 Aug 2026 • 20th Sun Ordinary Time (Year A)

620 Upper Bukit Timah Road
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Gate Opening Hours:
6.00am to 10.00pm

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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)

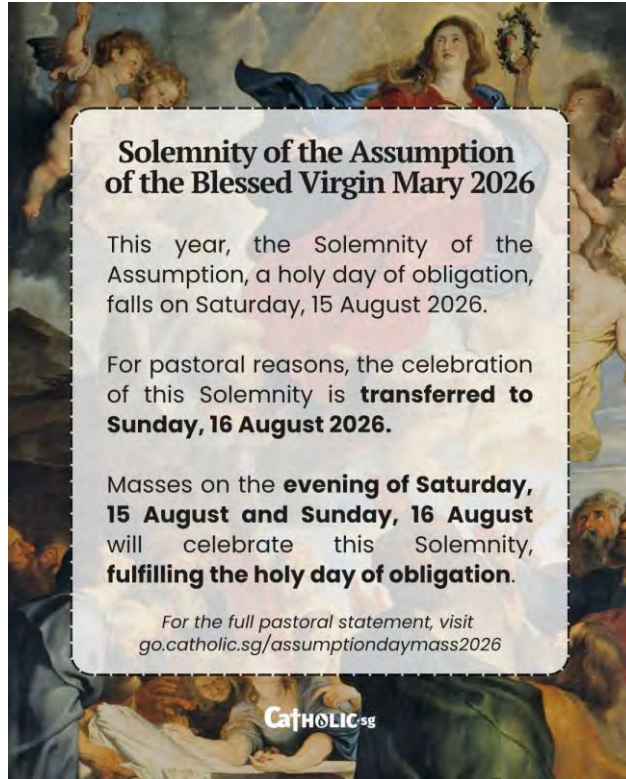
Holy Hour for Vocations :

Every Third Thursday of the month in
the Chapel of St Joseph @ 8.00pm

Blessing of Expectant Mothers:

Every Fourth Sunday of the month

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Catholic Education Sunday (22 – 23 Aug)



Next weekend, the Archdiocese celebrates Catholic Education Sunday. Please welcome the teachers, students and parents as they join us for the following Masses :

Sat 22 Aug @ 5.30 pm Mass : CHIJ Our Lady Queen of Peace

Sun 23 Aug @ 11.30 am Mass : De La Salle and Assumption English School

Together let us celebrate the gift of Catholic education, and pray for stronger partnerships between our homes, our schools and our parishes!

Please give them a warm St Joseph's welcome!

GIFT : Clergy Welfare and Retirement



Clergy Welfare and Retirement
Care for Our Shepherds

Learn more about GIFT:
catholicfoundation.sg



Ways to give:

- PayNow to **201231391K**
- Scan the QR code for credit card contributions



Our priests dedicate their lives to serving God and His people. Let us care for them in return by supporting the GIFT programme’s Clergy Welfare & Retirement Fund, which provides for their healthcare, welfare and retirement needs after a lifetime of service.
Sign up for a monthly pledge at catholicfoundation.sg/give. Together, let us build the Church today for tomorrow.
Sign up here: catholicfoundation.sg/give

Infant Baptism on 4 Oct : Closing Date for Registration – 15 Aug

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

Youth Faith & Bible Community : Fellowship (Sun 16 Aug @ 12.40 pm)



YOUTH FAITH AND BIBLE COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP





ALL YOUTHS ARE INVITED
TO JOIN US AT **ST MARY AVA ROOM**



Day:
Sundays,
from 16 Aug



Time:
12:40pm - 3:30pm

Come to the Welcome Desk or scan QR code to register!



Calling all Youths and Young Adults to join us for a fellowship lunch on August 16! All youths are welcome! Join our Whatsapp Community for more information:
<https://tinyurl.com/54rbyjyr> ; or you may wish to come to the Welcome Desk (at the front entrance of the main church) for more info.

Elements of the Catholic Mass (17 & 18 Aug)



FAITH & BIBLE REFLECTIONS

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



ELEMENTS OF THE CATHOLIC MASS



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

AROUND THE PARISH

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



SPEAKERS:

BE+live
praise • pray • proclaim

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

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

Family & Youth Conference

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



Family Formation

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



Redemptorist Mission Team
Church of St Alphonsus (Pioneer Church)
"From Joseph to Saint"



MPSC Fair 2026 (Sat 22 Aug – Sun 23 Aug)



MINISTRIES

PRAYER GROUPS

SERVICE TEAMS

COMMUNITIES

MPSC FAIR

AUGUST 22-23
PARISH COMMUNITY HALL



Come and find out how you can be involved in the various Ministries, Prayer Groups, Service Teams and Communities in our parish.

Saturday 22 August before and after the 5.30pm Mass; and Sunday 23rd August before and after the 9.30am and 11.30am Masses in the Parish Community Hall.

AROUND THE PARISH

Prayer thru Music (Fri 28 Aug @ 8.00 pm)



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(Prayer thru Music)

E-mail: sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com





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

Infant Baptism on Sun 4 Oct



BOYS' TOWN

CHURCH COLLECTION 2026

Share from the abundance of your heart

Staff / volunteers from Boys' Town will be at your parish on

29 & 30 August 2026

All donations received will support the programmes and operations of Boys' Town.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!





Little Shepherds' Schoolhouse Open House (Sat 22 Aug)

Slots Remaining



22 AUG
SATURDAY
9.00 AM-12.00 PM



SECURE YOUR SPOT

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

LIMITED SLOTS
LEFT

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Pieta Prayer Support (Tue 25 Aug)

Pieta Prayer Support for
Bereaved Parents

Tue 25 August 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
or <https://pieta.familylife.sg/>

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

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)



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"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

retrov.sg@gmail.com
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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 Theatrette
Singapore 169850

Fridays 12:15pm

- 📍 **One Raffles Quay**
Level 49 North Tower
Singapore 048583
- 📍 **Orchard Rendezvous Hotel**
1 Tanglin Road
Singapore 247905



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND 2026

Upcoming Weekend Dates

ENGLISH	28 - 30 Aug 2 - 4 Oct 4-6 Dec
MANDARIN	18 - 20 Sep
BAHASA INDONESIA	16 - 18 Oct



FRIDAY 8PM - SUNDAY 6PM
201 PUNGGOL SEVENTEENTH AVE
SINGAPORE 829651

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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)



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Catholic Spirituality Centre



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1261 Upper Serangoon Rd S554796

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.

One of the customs of Gebirah Missions is to invite family and friends to submit petitions to Mother Mary.

- Write your petition to Mother Mary, seal it in an envelope, and pass it to us before we depart.
- At the shrine, we will prayerfully offer these sealed petitions before Our Lady.
- Afterward, the envelopes will be burned unopened, ensuring that every petition remains private.



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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Come to Hong Kong with Gebirah Missions. Serve. Pray. Listen. Give. Let God enlarge your heart.

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