



St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Weekly Parish Bulletin • 06 Sep 2026 • 23rd Sun Ordinary Time (Year A)

620 Upper Bukit Timah Road
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6.00am to 10.00pm

stjoseph-bt.org.sg/

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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

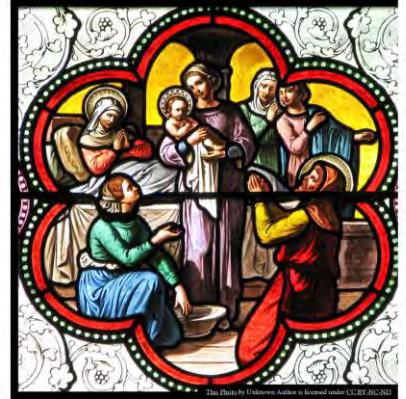
Blessing of Expectant Mothers:

Every Fourth Sunday of the month

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8 September



On Tue 08 Sep, the Mass will be held in the Chapel at 6.30 pm.

Legion of Mary celebrates Our Lady's Birthday

"PRAISE HER WITH A FLOWER"
(*5 & 6 September 2026)

Roses will be distributed at St
Joachim's Room (next to canteen)
and outside church entrances. The
roses can be placed at Our Lady's
statues and/or icons. Love offerings
are welcome.

* Join the Legion of Mary for Garden Rosary on 5
September after Sunset mass.



*"The Rosary is a magnificent and
universal prayer for the needs of the
Church, the nations and the entire
world." [Pope John XXIII]*

Season of Creation (1 Sep to 4 Oct)



IMMERSION IN LIVING WATER
Ezekiel 47:9, 12

Living Water Season of Creation 2026

1 September - 4 October

Find out more and join the events at
tinyurl.com/SOC2026-SINGAPORE

The theme for the
Season of Creation
2026 is Living Water
(Ez 47:9,12).

Let us all give
thanks for the gift of
water and do our
part to bring the
living waters of
Christ's love to
regenerate all
creation.

CHARIS - Appeal for Nepal Flood Emergency Relief

FLOOD EMERGENCY RELIEF

NEPAL

Responding to the devastating floods in Nepal, we stand in solidarity with affected families. Together, we can bring hope and help rebuild lives.

DONATE
Every contribution brings hope

SUPPORT
Help relief efforts reach more lives

SHARE
Spread the word
Be their voice

PRAY
Keep Nepal in your prayers

go.charis-singapore.org/nepal-flood-relief

Scan the QR Code to Donate

Caritas Humanitarian Aid & Relief Initiatives, Singapore (CHARIS), is making an urgent appeal for those affected by the recent disaster in Nepal. On 26 August 2026, a devastating flash flood struck Rasuwa District, Nepal, after the Bhote Koshi River overflowed. Over 1,000 people have been reported dead and more than 3,900 remain missing, with thousands more displaced and left without necessities. Search and rescue efforts continue as families face total loss of shelter, food, and livelihoods.

CHARIS is raising funds to support Caritas Nepal and on-ground partners in providing immediate emergency assistance, including shelter, food, clean water, essential supplies, and long-term recovery efforts.

You can donate via credit card or PayNow through the CHARIS website. Alternatively, you can send a crossed cheque payable to “Humanitarian Aid Fund,” indicating “Nepal Flood” at the back of the cheque, and mail it to:

CHARIS
55 Waterloo Street, #07-02 Catholic Centre, Singapore 187954

For more information, please contact CHARIS at 6337-4119 or scan the QR code to visit our website. Your generosity will provide critical aid to those in need.

2027 Bible Diaries

Bible Diary 2027 : 365 Days with the Lord



Now available from the Media
Centre
(Bookshop)
Price: \$20
Get your copy now!



Copies will be on sale at the Main Church foyer
on the weekend of 19 & 20 Sept (before and after all Masses).

SHE (Every Sat commencing 12 Sep)

Love
unveiled

A WOMEN-ONLY GROUP

Join us on a transformative journey, learning practical wisdom,
in an environment for growth and love as God intended.

programs.paradisusdei.org/join/CC715A



Day/Date: Every Saturday
(from 12 Sep to 31 Oct)
Time: 10am to 1130am
Venue: SJCBT, room #02-03

Scan QR code to
Register



'She Shall be called Woman' (SHE) Women's Fellowship is back with season 3: Love Unveiled! To truly understand the way the Lord views femininity is to live as one who is fully alive. This season will not only unpack the wealth of celebration of what Saint John Paul II called "The Feminine Genius" but will also give real advice on how to combat the mental, emotional, and spiritual challenges we, as women, face every day. Please register at: <https://tinyurl.com/SJCBSHE3>

Alpha Youth : Life Essentials (Commencing Sun 13 Sept)



LIFE ESSENTIALS

BY ALPHAYOUTH

Scan to register!



tinyurl.com/YAlpha2026

Fame
Friends
Dreams
Ghosting
Labels
Stress
Forgiveness
Tribes
Good & Evil
Jesus

A SERIES OF 8 SESSIONS EXPLORING
IDENTITY, BELONGING, PURPOSE AND
FAITH FOR TEENS!

ALL TEENAGERS ARE WELCOME
(parental consent required):

Sundays 9.30-11am
St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

Sep 13, 20, 27;
Oct 4, 11, 18, 25;
& Nov 1

Calling all Teens! Join us for our season of Alpha Youth from Sun 13 Sep. All teenagers from 13 to 19 are welcome to our sessions to explore identity, belonging, purpose, and faith: <https://tinyurl.com/YAlpha2026>

The Dignity of Work (18 & 25 Sep @ 8.00 pm)



The Dignity of Work

Catholic Social Teaching on labour, vocation and the worth of the worker

Presented by **Friar David Garcia**
Fri 18 Sept & Fri 25 Sept
8.00 pm – 9.30 pm
St Joseph AVA Room
St Joseph's Church, Bukit Timah

ALL ARE WELCOME



Scan to register

As part of our 180th Anniversary celebrations, we have invited Friar David Garcia to share on “The Dignity of Work”.

Friar David Garcia is a lecturer in Moral Theology at the St Francis Xavier Major Seminary and Catholic Theological Institute of Singapore and a well-known speaker on topics such as social justice and bioethics.

Prayer thru Music



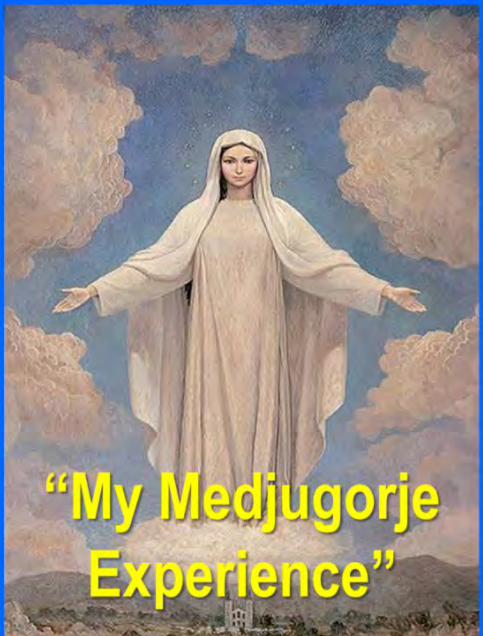
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(Prayer thru Music)

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



Mr Richard Tan

(Friday) 25 September 2026
8.00pm, AVA Room, Level 3,
Parish Community Hall



“My Medjugorje Experience”

E-mail: sahop.sjcbt@gmail.com



Scripture Series : The Gospel of Matthew

Scripture Series : The Gospel of Matthew (Part II)
By Fr Ambrose Vaz

Extended



*Ignorance of Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.
(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 133)*



Time : 9 am to 10.45 am
Venue : St Joseph AVA Room
St Joseph’s Church (BT)
Dates : Aug : 27
Sep : 3 / 10 / 17 / 24
Oct : 1 / 8 / 15 / 22 / 29

No registration required. All are welcome. Do bring along your bibles.





Guided Church Tours

Interested to learn more about St Mary's?
The church architecture? Franciscan spirituality?
You can book guided church tours which are
scheduled on Sunday afternoons.

Learn more & Book your spot at:
stmary.sg/churchtour



In celebration of the Jubilee Year of St Francis, proclaimed by Pope Leo, and the special opportunity for the faithful to receive an indulgence through pilgrimage to a Franciscan church, come visit St Mary's and discover the hidden stories, sacred spaces and Franciscan heritage that have shaped St Mary of the Angels over the years.

Led by our Church Tour Ambassadors, each guided tour offers a meaningful opportunity to explore and encounter St Mary's in a new way.

Review of Life Workshop (Sat 12 Sep)

REVIEW OF LIFE WORKSHOP

We are called to nourish the world with
spiritual fruits.
How can faith break into our daily
actions?

SAT 12 SEP 2026
9.00AM - 1.30PM

Catholic Centre Level 2
55 Waterloo St



LOVE OFFERING WELCOME

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



Becoming Truly Myself (12 – 13 Sep)

Becoming Truly Myself:

Praying My Personal Vocation



LISTEN DEEPLY.

To God. To your heart.
To the path uniquely yours.



DISCERN PRAYERFULLY.

In the light of God's love
and guidance.



RESPOND COURAGEOUSLY.

Live your vocation
with freedom and joy.

 **12–13 SEPTEMBER, 2026**
This is a stay-in retreat

 **Venue:**
SFX RETREAT CENTER



A Cenacle programme



*“
You, my God,
have made me for yourself,
and my heart is restless
until it rests in you.
– St. Augustine*



The notion of personal vocation (as articulated by theologians like Herbert Alphonso) is the understanding that God has a unique, unrepeatable calling for every individual—a fundamental purpose that transcends professional identity or temporary roles. It's not a list of tasks, but a specific way of being and loving that only one can offer to the world.

Padre Pio Triduum & Feast Day (20 – 23 Sep)

Padre Pio TRIDUUM & FEAST DAY

Church of Our Lady of Lourdes
50 Ophir Road Singapore 188690

20 – 23 September 2026

DAY 1 Triduum

SUNDAY
20 SEPT 2026

Love-In-Christo

3.40PM
BEGIN WITH ROSARY

7.40PM
BEGIN WITH ROSARY

3.40PM
PRAISE & WORSHIP
FOLLOWED BY
MASS AT 4PM

FULLFILLS SUNDAY
OBLIGATION


Celebrant :
**FR ALPHONSUS
DOMINIC**

DAY 2 Triduum

MONDAY
21 SEPT 2026

Suffering-In-Christo

7.40PM
BEGIN WITH ROSARY

7.40PM
PRAISE & WORSHIP
FOLLOWED BY
MASS AT 8PM


Celebrant :
FR EUGENE VAZ

DAY 3 Triduum

TUESDAY
22 SEPT 2026

Healing-In-Christo

7.40PM
BEGIN WITH ROSARY

7.40PM
PRAISE & WORSHIP
FOLLOWED BY
MASS AT 8PM

HEALING MASS


Celebrant :
**FR JOHNSON
FERNANDEZ**


Celebrant :
**FR AUGUSTINE
JOSEPH**

FEAST DAY

WEDNESDAY
23 SEPT 2026

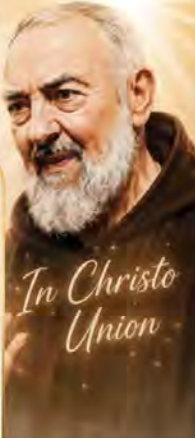
In-Christo Union

6.45PM
INTRODUCTION / TESTIMONIES

6.45PM
PRAISE & WORSHIP
FOLLOWED BY
MASS AT 7PM

PROCESSION AND
VENERATION
TO FOLLOW


Celebrant :
**FR VENUS
PRAVEEN COLACO**



In Christo Union

Organized by :
 **St Pio Devotion Singapore**
www.stpiodevotionsg.org


FR ALBERT NG
SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR OF SPDS



Prepare Your Hearts For The Feast Day!
The faithful are warmly urged to seek
Sacrament of Reconciliation at their
respective parishes prior to this event.

**JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL TIME OF GRACE, HEALING AND
UNITY IN FAITH WITH SAINT PADRE PIO**

There will be **NO PARKING** on church grounds on these days

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?

retrouv.sg@gmail.com
+65 9628 0188

RETRouvaille WEEKENDS

25 - 27 SEP 2026

Register: bit.ly/RetroWESep26



Catholic Social Teaching (Commencing 28 Sep)

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

By Fr David Garcia, OP





28 Sep -26
Oct 2026



Mondays
08.00PM -
09.30PM



Fr Francisco Maia's Hall,
St Joseph's Church
(Victoria Street)



\$50
Fee

Faith is more than going
to church and being nice

COURSE THEMES

28 SEP	Unhealthy Ideas About Ministry & Hierarchy	12 OCT	Money and the Economy
05 OCT	Work is Not a Job	19 OCT	Migrants
		26 OCT	Crime and Capital Punishment

SCAN ME



bit.ly/cstsep2026

Faithfulness to the Gospel is more than going to church and being nice. We are called to build God's kingdom and transform our world.

Join us as we explore how the Church's social teaching can help us put our faith to concrete practice in daily life!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

Divorce, Separation and Annulment (5 and 19 Oct)

What the Catholic Church Actually Teaches About Divorce, Separation, and Annulment

By Fr Terence Pereira

Via Zoom on Monday

- Part 1: 5 Oct 2026
- Part 2: 19 Oct 2026

Time: 8 - 10pm

Fee: Love Offering



Organised by
Catholic Divorce Support Group
Affiliate of Catholic Family Life

Scan to register or visit
bit.ly/DSAOct26

Couples enter into marriage with faith and hope that it will be a happy union that lasts. However, there are occasions when a couple faces an unhappy end to their married life together. How can Catholics in such a situation continue their life journey in a way that keeps them in full communion with the Church? This Symposium will help participants gain an insight into the complexity of the issues related to divorce, separation and annulment.

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**

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

Registration closes 30 Aug!

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.



REST, RELISH and RECHARGE

October 15-18, 2026
A Beach Retreat in Bintan

A time of rest, self-discovery, and spiritual growth.



**THE CENACLE
SISTERS**

with



**The
Jesuits**

Through an arrangement of rest and simple leisure activities, these days of reflection and prayer hope to root us in God's goodness and thus find God in all things, experiences & time. Most importantly, the retreat hopes to provide a safe space for self-discovery and emotional growth as we evaluate: **WHY DO I DO THE THINGS I DO?**

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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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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