

Lent & Ash Wednesday

About Lent

Lent is a season of soul-searching and repentance; to get our lives centered, our priorities straightened out and our hearts cleansed. It serves as a preparatory time for Easter, when we rededicate ourselves to God. The Scripturally-inspired 40 days of preparation is modelled after the time when our Lord Jesus fasted and prayed and overcame temptation while in the wilderness. As we enter our own symbolic wilderness during Lent, we remember our own humanity and vulnerability to temptation, just like Jesus in the wilderness.

The way we enter, traditionally, is by intentionally and prayerfully observing a fast through this 40-day period. As we fast, we make space to receive from God in a very special way. The liturgical colour for the season of Lent is purple.

Ash Wednesday Service

Date & Time: Wed, 10 Feb | 8:00 pm

Venue: Glory Sanctuary

More details can be found in the insert. Do mark your calendars!

Next Weekend's Services

Sat, 6 Feb: SES at 5:00 pm in Christ Sanctuary. Youth will join SES.

Sun, 7 Feb: Combined Bilingual Service at 10:00 am in Christ Sanctuary.

Appointment of Consultants for PSW

RSP Architects Planners & Engineers Pte Ltd has been appointed to provide consultancy services (architectural, engineering and quantity surveying) for the proposed development. We thank members for your prayers.

Orange Blessing 2016

Sign up for our annual Orange Blessing distribution scheduled for 17 Feb (Wed) and 20 Feb (Sat). We are trying something different this year. To find out more, visit the booth after service. Registration closes 31 Jan.

Gospel & Healing Service (GHS)

Date: Saturday 6 February

Time & Venue: 7:45 pm | Glory Sanctuary

Speaker: Ps Daniel Teo

More invitational brochures are available at the Info Desk.

Healing Prayer Session

In tandem with the GHS, a weekly Healing Prayer Session is open to anyone in need of healing - physical, emotional or spiritual. Newcomers and pre-believers are welcome. A team of trained and dedicated leaders will be present to minister in prayer.

When: Every Thursday except PH

Time: 8:00 - 9:00pm

Venue: Glory Sanctuary

Church Office Closed 9 Feb

In view of the Chinese New Year public holiday on 8 & 9 Feb, the church office will be closed on Tuesday, 9 Feb.

Missions Events

Missions Heart-2-Heart

Date: Wednesday, 3 Feb

Time: 7:30 - 9:30 pm

Venue: Bethel Auditorium

All are welcome but do register at the Info Desk or contact Dixie at dixiekhoo@sjsm.org.sg/6773 9460.

Health Talk (*organized by SJSM Health Touch*)

Topic: Common Eye Conditions

Date: Saturday, 27 Feb

Time: 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Venue: Chapel (TBC)

Speaker: Dr Audra Fong (Mt Elizabeth Novena Specialist Ctr)

Come and learn more about how our eyes change as we age, and the preventive measures we can take to keep them working at their best.

You are welcome to bring your friends! Due to limited seats, please register with Dixie at dixiekhoo@sjsm.org.sg/6773 9460 by 21 Feb.

Jan-Feb 2016 Pulpit Series BE TRANSFORMED: Marks of Transformation

Date	Title
9/10 Jan	Be Intentional in Personal Disciple-Making
16/17 Jan	Open Topic (Confirmation Service on 16 Jan)
23/24 Jan	Be Calm When Confronted by Problems; Be Committed to Grace & Truth When Working Through Conflicts
30/31 Jan	Be Gracious Amidst Messiness; Be a Family for All Ages & Abilities
6/7 Feb	Blessing (6 Feb) /May God Crown You with His Goodness (Combined Service on 7 Feb)
13/14 Feb	Be Welcoming & Hospitable; Be Confident in Handling the Word & Sharing the Gospel

Search For Life (SFL)

Course Dates: 10 March - 19 May (10 Thurs)

Coffee & Dessert Nite: 18 Feb, 7:30pm
(SFL info session)

Application closes: 8 Feb, 2016

Learn what is the root of many human tensions and understand the healing power of God's truth through the *Search For Life* course.

This will be the only run for this year so spaces are limited! For more information or to sign up, visit the booth after service today.

Chinese New Year Concert 2016

This is the last weekend to buy tickets for the Biennial Chinese New Year Concert 2016 (19/20 Feb). A great opportunity for evangelism and sharing the Gospel with relatives and friends during the Lunar New Year.

Tickets (\$15 each) on sale at the Info Desk (Glory Sanc) after service on Saturday evening and Info Desk (Christ Sanc) from 10.00 to 11.15 am on Sunday. For enquiries, please contact Wendy at 67739440.

Newcomers' Welcome Tea

Saturday, 27 Feb | 3:00 pm

If you are new to SJSJ, you are invited to a welcome tea with staff members followed by a short presentation and tour of the premises. Do register at the Info Desk or send an email to welcome@sjsm.org.sg by 20 Feb.

Staff Recruitment

Would you prayerfully consider joining the SJSJ staff team? The following ministry opportunities are available:

- **Head of Human Resources**
- **Accounts Officer/Executive**

Details can be found on our website (Ministry Opportunities page) or in the flyer at the Info Desk.

Our Heartfelt Condolences To...

- Grace Hor and family (husband: Nam Chook; father: Toh Chue). Grace's beloved mother was called home to the Lord on Saturday, 23 January, 2016.
- Revd. Daniel Teo and family (wife: Dani; children: Gloria and Caleb) Revd. Daniel's beloved father-in-law was called home to the Lord on Friday, 22 January, 2016.

Next Weekend's Services

Topic: SES: Blessing

Combined Bilingual: May God Crown You with His Goodness

SES: Dr Mah Yeow Beng

Combined Bilingual: Revd Ivan Ee

This Week's Events

Feb 1 (Mon)

7:15 pm Mothers' Group Intercession (C210)

Feb 2 (Tue)

7:45 am Intercession (Chapel)

11:00 am Intercession (C210)

12:00 pm Intercession (Chapel)

8:00 pm KTW (Bethel)

Feb 3 (Wed)

8:30 am Intercession (C210)

10:00 am Mandarin/Cantonese Sr Citizen Svc (Bethel)

8:00 pm CYAN (Shalom)

Feb 4 (Thu)

7:15 am Men's Intercession (Chapel)

8:00 pm Healing Prayer Session (Glory Sanc)

Feb 5 (Fri)

8:30 am Intercession (Chapel)

7:45 pm Intercession (C210)

Feb 6 (Sat)

6:00 am Intercession (Glory Sanc)

3:00 pm Teen Encounter (Bethel)

4:00 pm Intercession (A309 Prayer Room)

5:00 pm **Youth joins Saturday Evening Service**

Saturday Evening Service - (Christ Sanc)

7:30 pm CYAN (Shalom)

Feb 7 (Sun)

6:00 am Dawn Prayer (Christ Sanc) NO MTG

7:30 am Intercession (A309 Prayer Room)

9:00 am **Chinese Congregation joins Combined Bilingual Service**

10:00 am **Combined Bilingual Service (Christ Sanc)**

Intercession (C210) NO MTG

11:15 am **Chinese Congregation joins Combined Bilingual Service**

Indonesian F'ship joins Combined Bilingual Svc

1:30 pm Filipino Service (Bethel)

5:00 pm JATF (Chapel)

FOR YOUR 'FAMILY PRAYER TIME'

Readings: Ps. 71:1-6, 15-17; Micah 6:1-8; 1 Cor. 6:12-20

Collect: Almighty God, in Christ You make all things new. Transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of Your grace, and in the renewal of our lives make known Your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER DESK (31 Jan – 6 Feb 2016)

"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" Psalm 46:10

PSW. Praise God for an effective kick-off meeting with the newly appointed architects and consultants. Pray that the appointed team will catch the vision for PSW as they begin the design phase in earnest. Continue to pray for God's guidance over the appointment of a Project Executive Director.

SJSM as Watchman. Ask God to raise up many intercessors who base their prayer life on the Word as illuminated by the Spirit. Pray for the **Intercessors' Annual Gathering (2 Feb)** - for God's agenda to prevail; for the Spirit to guide in the sharing and weighing of impressions received by intercessors, and in the discerning of the response He is calling for.

GHS (6 Feb). May Christ be glorified at the GHS! Pray for the speaker (Ps Daniel Teo), the worship team and all prayer companions. Pray also for God's healing stream to flow at the weekly Healing Prayer Sessions on Thursdays, restoring the sick in spirit, soul and body.

CNY Outreach. May SJSMers be led by God to share the love of Christ with relatives and friends during this CNY season, and be fruitful in their outreach efforts. Pray for the **Dover Orange Blessing (17 & 20 Feb)** and **Biennial CNY Concert 2016 (19 & 20 Feb)** - for deeper bonding between believers and seekers, and for many hearts to turn to God.

Missions. (a) Pray for **Missions Heart-2-Heart (3 Feb)** – for powerful sharing by our missionaries, impartation of passion for missions, good bonding and encouragement at the gathering. Continue to ask God to prepare many persevering saints for the harvest field. **(b)** Keep in prayer the **Nepal Medical Mission (12 – 19 March)**. 52 trippers (mostly SJSMers comprising adults & youths, led by Dr Alex & Ps Lewis) are setting up 3 clinics in 3 villages to bless about 1,200 locals. Ask the Lord to go before the team to pave the way in this nation that is enchained by much spiritual bondage. Pray for miracles of healing (physical & spiritual), and for many to respond to God's love. Pray for the trippers' spiritual preparation (consecration, unity, sensitive to the Spirit), and for divine protection (good health, safe journey, especially when hiking in difficult terrains).

Diocese. May the Lord sustain Bp Rennis and his team with divine encouragement and empowerment. Pray for all clergy to model after Christ in manifesting truth and grace. Pray for the parishes to be deeply rooted in spiritual foundation, bearing much fruit.

Nations. (a) Continue to plead for God's divine intervention in global terrorism. Pray for God's merciful hands to be over Singapore, and for the Church to be awakened to consecrate herself, and to watch and pray. **(b)** Pray for the U.S. 2016 election process. May God raise up His appointee to lead this nation which exercises significant global influence.

Do allow the Holy Spirit to lead and guide you in your prayers.

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