

▶ LENT.

The familiar reddish-purple fruit of the grapevine spotlights the liturgical colour for Lent, which represents Christ's sufferings and is associated with humility as well as repentance and penance. This is a season of quiet reflection, and is typically a time for practising the spiritual disciplines of fasting and prayer. Read more on page 4 and on *Facebook*.

*Live-streamed; for all other service details, please refer to inside pages

& SUN, 05 MAR 2023

Saturday services w/ Holy Communion

Heartbeat – 2.30pm* (Shalom Hall & <u>online</u>) English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary) Mandarin – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Sunday services w/ Holy Communion

English – 8.15am (Christ Sanctuary), 11.15am* (Christ Sanctuary & <u>online</u>) Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary)

Tamil – **10am** (Bethel Auditorium & Chapel) **Indonesian Fellowship** – **11am** (C205)

Filipino Service – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter

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SAT, 04 MAR

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 04 MAR 2023

2.30pm (Heartbeat) & 5pm (SES)

The Cross and the Covenant (John 19:28–30; Hebrews 9:11–15), by Ven Daniel Wee

The COVENANT series

SUN, 05 MAR 2023

8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2)

The Cross and the Covenant (John 19:28–30; Hebrews 9:11–15), by Ven Daniel Wee

NEW TO SJSM?

Whether you joined our online or onsite service today or found us on the web, we are glad you did! Do let us know if you would like more information or prayer, or just give us some feedback by submitting a simple form by clicking/scanning the QR code on the right. Thank you!



TEEN ENCOUNTER (ages 11–13)

Sat – 5pm (SES), Sun – 8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2):

@ L4 rooms

Email <u>richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg</u> for enquiries or to join.

JUNIOR CHURCH (ages 3–10)

Sat - 5pm (SES) @ Agape Hall

Sun - 8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2)

- (Primary) ages 7–10 @ Agape Hall
- @ Agape Hall(Preschool: Kindy) ages 5–6@ Charis Room
- (Preschool: Nursery) ages 3–4 @ Chara Room

Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg for enquiries or to join.

are you in need of

PASTORAL CARE and/or COUNSELLING?

Prayer for healing, and other forms of pastoral care are available.

- 1. Call 6777 0934, or
- 2. Email pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sq

If you are **homebound** and require **Holy Communion**, please fill in a form by scanning the QR code below or visiting https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCare3







CATCH IT AGAIN

Combined Bilingual CNY Service https://vimeo.com/789010573

Combined NYD Service

https://vimeo.com/784190205

Covenant Series

https://vimeo.com/showcase/10148673

All/Other services

https://vimeo.com/channels/sismchurch

HEARTBEAT services

https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr

SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Thu, 09 Mar

12pm PraySingaporeUNTIL! (Online via Zoom; more details available at

www.sjsm.org.sg/praysg.html)

Sat, 11 Mar

Marriage Preparation Course (5/7)

(Time/Venue to be arranged between facilitator/mentee couples)

9am Leaders' Convention (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium)

2.30pm **Heartbeat Svc** (Onsite @ Shalom Hall; live-streamed on YouTube.

Email heartbeat@sjsm.org.sq for more info)

4.15pm Missions Short Course (6/8) (Onsite @ Shalom Hall)

5pm English Baptism Svc (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter

(Onsite @ Agape Hall & L4 rooms. Email <u>juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg</u> or

<u>richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg</u> for more information or to join)

Mandarin Svc (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary.

Email sjsmc@sjsm.org.sq for more information or to join)

6.45pm Post-SES Fellowship Dinner

(Onsite @ Community Hall; meal vouchers required for bento collection)

Sun, 12 Mar

8.15am **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter (Onsite @ Chara Room, Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms, Email juniorchurch@sism.org.sg or

richardkwan@sjsm.org.sq for more information or to join)

10am **Mandarin Svc** (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary;

email sismc@sism.org.sq for more information or to join)

Tamil Svc (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium.

Email solomon@sjsm.orq.sq for more information or to join)

11am Indonesian Fellowship (Onsite @ C205.

Email sallyho@heartfriends.org.sq for for info or to join)

11.15am **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary; live-streamed via

sjsm.online.church, SJSM Facebook, and www.sjsm.org.sq/online.html.

Junior Church & Teen Encounter (Onsite @ Chara Room, Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms. Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sq or

richardkwan@sjsm.org.sq for more information or to join)

1.30pm Filipino Svc (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium.

Email juanita@sjsm.org.sq for more information)

Misc. details

Sermons

SAT & SUN

Speaker:

Ven Daniel Wee

Cell Groups

Looking for a group to grow and serve with? Join a cell

with? Join a cell group! For more information, write to

cell@sjsm.org.sg

Youth Ministry

Comprises Teen Encounter (ages 11– 13) and Heartbeat (ages 14–20). To find out more, email richardkwan@sjsm.

org.sq

Alpha Course

Where anyone can feel free to ask questions and explore the Christian faith. Find out more at www.sjsm.orq.sq/

Join a Ministry

alphacourse.html.

Volunteer with us in serving the larger church community! Find out more about the opportunities available here (or scan the QR code

below).



BAPTISM SERVICE - SAT, 11 MAR

We welcome the following individuals into our SJSM family on Sat, 11 Mar 2023 during SES.

We rejoice with them and their families as they take this step of faith, and pray that they will shine as lights in the world to the glory of God.

Adam Smith <u>Broadstock</u>, Benjamin <u>Lim</u>, <u>Cheng</u> Sher-Mae, <u>Chit</u> Su Wai, Christel <u>Ow</u> Ying Hui, Geraldine <u>Goh</u> Geok Beng, <u>Han</u> Xin Yi, Joanne <u>Tan</u> Bee Lan, Kassia <u>Yeo</u>, Maxel <u>Lee</u> Sheng Quan, <u>Ong</u> Jun Heng, <u>Pan</u> Haiyan, Peter <u>Chia</u> Zhi Qin, Ruth <u>Tay</u> Rui En, Thomas Darwin <u>Broadstock</u>, Elliot Noah <u>Kum</u> Rui Yang, Ewan Nathaniel <u>Kum</u> Rui Yi, Elijah <u>Loh</u> Sin Herng

CONFIRMATION COURSE

This course is essential for baptised Christians who wish to be Confirmed in the Anglican Church.

Course dates/Time: 19, 26 Mar & 16, 30 Apr @ 2pm-4pm

Retreat date: Sat, 6 May @ 2.30pm-4pm

Venue: B404 & B405

Confirmation service: Sun, 28 May (E2)

Sign up by **Sun**, **5 Mar**. Details and the registration link are available at <u>www.sjsm.org.sg/courses.html</u> (you can also *click here* to sign up directly).

If you have enquiries, please email ce@sjsm.org.sg.

KNOW THE WORD (KTW) - PROVERBS

Dates: 11, 25 Apr & 2, 9, 16, 30 May 2023 (6 Tuesdays) **Time:** 7.45pm–9.45pm (includes group discussion)

Venue: Bethel Auditorium Instructor: Dr Lee Chien Earn

More details and the registration link are available at <u>www.sjsm.org.sg/courses</u>. Do sign up by **Sun, 26 Mar**. Recordings of the teaching sessions will be available after the course. For enquiries, please write to <u>ce@sjsm.org.sq</u>.

men4men 2023 KICK-OFF - "Unite Us!"

God is doing a new thing in men4men this year, and He desires deeper unity amongst brothers in SJSM. Hence, we are inviting all men in SJSM to come together for a new season of deeper fellowship, freedom, and victory!

Come join us for our kickoff dinner, at which we will share our vision and roadmap for our journey with God and one another. Do bring your brothers along!

Date & Time: Fri, 10 Mar @ 7.15pm (dinner; provided with pre-registration) | 8.15pm (main programe)

Venue: Community Hall

Register via https://forms.gle/PiQgXL6Gqmv6AGVV6. More details are available at www.sjsm.org.sg/men4men.html.

LENT.

The grapevine (Vitis vinifera) is one of the most frequently mentioned plants in the Bible: both the plant itself and its fruit are used as metaphors, and wine (due to pre-fermentation extraction methods and finished colour) is associated with blood and sacrifice. Purple dye/pigment was also expensive and almost exclusive to royalty in Jesus' day, so it is no surprise that this colour has been tagged to the season of Lent. Let's make full use of this 40-day period, and seek God intently to discern His will for us — as individuals and as the body of Christ.



NextGen Servers Wanted!

Get in touch with us if you're keen to help disciple little ones!

Junior Church (Preschool & Primary): kerineau@sjsm.org.sa

Teen Encounter: richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg

CONNECT WITH US BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Write to <u>info@sjsm.org.sg</u> to furnish us with relevant details.

MARRIAGE/WEDDINGS

Planning to get married? Write to the Family Life Ministry at flm@sism.org.sq.

BEREAVEMENT

Please get in touch so that we can support you. Contact your cell leader, cell pastor, Zone Pastor, or the Church Office via 6777 0934 or pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg.

GIVING TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Via Bank Transfer
Name of Bank Account:

St John's - St Margaret's Church

Account Number: 360-303-092-1 Branch Code: 030 Bank Code: 7375 Bank Name: UOB

Via PayNow



Via cash and cheques

Cheques and cash may be placed directly in the offering box at the exits. Member's stewardship number accompanying tithes is no longer reauired.

STAFF RECRUITMENT NEEDS

- 1. Pastoral Staff (Youth)
- 2. Ministry Staff (Youth)
- 3. Ministry Staff (Junior Church)
- 4. Ministry Staff (Family Life Ministry)
- 5. Zone Pastor Pastoral Connexion

To apply, visit <u>www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment</u> for details.

LEADERS' CONVENTION (LC) - Sat, 11 Mar

Leaders, please note that the March 2023 LC will at 9.30am in Bethel Auditorium. Details will be sent to you via email.

JUNIOR CHURCH MISSION TRIP: BATAM

Children benefit from early exposure to the mission field, and day trips like this one can give the whole family a taste of what being Christ's hands and feet is like! SJSM's Junior Church is working with one of Batam's local churches to provide meals and share the gospel to 250–300 children living in the nearby shanty town.

Date: Fri, 2 Jun (Vesak Day public holiday) **Venue:** GSJA Bethesda Ministry Church

Theme: Hope and Strength to People, Through People Registration is open from **2–19 Mar** at https://forms.gle/aWHDoerK2YvkLtdu7. Limited places are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Questions? Please email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg.

HOLY WEEK 2023

Save the dates and start praying about who among your friends and family you would like to invite!

Day/Svc	Date/Time	Speaker	Other info
Maundy Thursday Svc	Thu, 6 Apr • 8pm	TBC	_
Good Friday Svc	Fri, 7 Apr • 10am	_	Theme: The 7 Last Sayings of Jesus
Easter Dawn Svc	Sun, 8 Apr• 7am	Ds Bessie Lee	Post-svc refreshments
Easter Gospel Svc	Sun, 8 Apr • 10am	Ven Daniel Wee	Post-svc refreshments

TITHES & OFFERINGS* (updated monthly)				
	Jan-Feb 2023 (S\$)	Feb 2023 (S\$)		
General Fund (Budgeted)	To be approved at AGM	To be approved at AGM		
General Fund (Actual)	1,213,938	559,949		

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 74; Jeremiah 22:1-9; Matthew 8:1-13

COLLECT: Lord God Almighty, grant Your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh, and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow You, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- Revival. Pray for increasing presence of the Spirit at our corporate gatherings. May all hearts respond to every one of His precious visitations with reverential awe, and seek Him wholeheartedly for personal renewal (1 Thes 5:19–22; Zech 1:3). Pray for an outpouring that culminates in corporate revival, yielding long-lasting fruits of scriptural transformation that will impact generations.
- Next Gen. Pray for parents to practise biblical parenting, and for our children to receive the feeding they need for spiritual growth. May God impassion all leaders in our Next Gen ministries (children, youth) to seek His face, and to look forward to the new work He is doing to mould the ministries for fruitfulness (Jn 15:1–4). Pray for good collaboration amongst the staff, lay volunteers, and parents as they share the responsibility of nurturing our next generation.
- <u>Alpha.</u> Pray for all guests to attend Alpha regularly and to find each session bringing greater clarity in their understanding of God. Pray for good bonding amongst all participants, anointing upon the facilitators, and protection over hosts and guests. May the host teams continue to grow in knowing the heart and ways of God as they look to Him to lead and guide.

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

• <u>Missions.</u> (a) Laos. Pray for divine wisdom to guide the work of the four Anglican Relief and Development Agency (ARDA) Language Centres in Laos, and for good teamwork between our cross-cultural workers and the local teams. (b) Korat, Thailand. Pray that the programmes for English language will bless the students and offer opportunities for their hearing and receiving the Good News. Pray for healthy growth of the congregation that was planted by SJSM in Korat.

OUR NATION

Government. Continue to pray God's hand over the ongoing Parliamentary proceedings. Pray for every parliamentarian and civil servant to engage in political processes with utmost integrity, working towards serving the common good of the nation. (1 Ti 2:1–2)

THE WORLD

Global Anglican Church. Pray for leaders who deviate from the Lord's commands on sexual relations to return to upholding the word of truth (2 Ti 2:15). May God strengthen those who remain faithful to the Scriptures, grant them wisdom and boldness in their response to false teachings (Jer 15:19), and open the way for them to remain steadfast and to enjoy His favours and fruitfulness

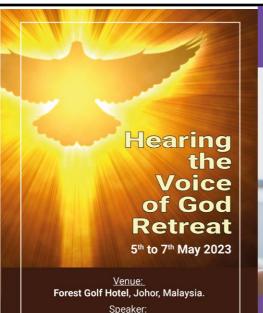
DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER (MAR 2023)

Download the file at www.anglican.org.sg.

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

To join an intercession group, write to prayer@sjsm.org.sg.

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS



PRIVISINGAPORE UNTIL | HOUSES OF PRAYER

SJSM's timeslot:

12pm-1pm (admission starts 11.55am), every 2nd Thursday monthly until further notice ► Thursday. 9 March ◀

ZOOM DETAILS

Meeting ID: 883 7934 9862

Passcode: 916290

Scan the QR code or visit the link below for details.



This LoveSingapore initiative sees at least 1 local church praying for our nation for at least 1 hour, every day.

SJSM is committed to standing in the gap for our nation at such a time as this. Join us in loving Singapore through persistent, practical prayers!

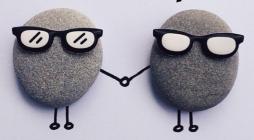
www.sjsm.org.sq/prayer-intercession

Seniors' Fellowship

Brenda Goh

For details & registration, visit

www.sjsm.org.sg/prayer



Next meeting: Thu, 16 Mar

2pm @ Bethel Auditorium

Details/queries: Email aiyee@sjsm.org.sg

men4men

UNITE US!

Kick-off Dinner

Fri, 10 Mar @ Community Hall

7.15–8.15pm • dinner (registration required)

8.15-10pm • programme

Towards deeper fellowship, freedom, and victory vision • roadmap • unity

Bring a brother with you!

Scan the QR code to register by 6 Mar to *chope* your seat and dinner! More details at www.sjsm.org.sg/men4men.

Questions? Contact Paul Lee (9819 7275)



Bishop of Singapore Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung

Assistant Bishop Rt Revd Low Jee King

Archdeacon of Singapore
Ven Daniel Wee

Pastoral Leadership Team

Ven Daniel Wee (Acting Vicar), Revd Victor Teo (Vicar-Designate), Ven Wong Tak Meng, Revd Dino Thangamany, Ds Bessie Lee, Mr Richard Lau, Mr Allen Lim, Mr Milton Wee

Zone Pastors

Ms Lim Ai Yee, Mr Richard Lau, Revd Vincent Hoon, Ms Chung Lai Mei, Mr Simon Devaraj, Mr Patrick Lai, Mr Choo Kok Weng, Ds Laura Chan

Congregational Pastors

Revd Thong Tang Hiong (Chinese), Revd Solomon Periyanayakam (Tamil), Ms Juanita Dicen (Filipino), Mr Richard Kwan (Youth), Ms Kerine Au (Children)



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