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➤ **ORDINARY TIME.**

Running from 29 May through 2 Dec in 2023, this season focuses on the life of the people of God, and is a time to focus on spiritual growth and maturation. No surprise, then, that its liturgical colour, green, speaks of growth. The immature green wheat and tares (see Matthew 13) above remind us to prioritise developing knowledge and discernment in our individual Christian walks.

**Live-streamed;*

for all other service details, please refer to inside pages

**SAT, 21 OCT
& SUN, 22 OCT 2023**

Saturday services

Heartbeat – 2.30pm* (Shalom Hall & [online](#))

English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary)

Mandarin – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Sunday services

English – 8.15am (Christ Sanctuary),

11.15am* (Christ Sanctuary & [online](#))

Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary)

Tamil – 10am (Bethel Auditorium & Chapel)

Indonesian Fellowship – 11am (C205)

Filipino – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter

Details on pages 2–3

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 21 OCT 2023

2.30pm (Heartbeat) We are Sons (Ephesians 1:15–23), by Revd Calvin Tan
5pm (SES) Pray Always and Do Not Lose Heart (1 Samuel 1:1–16; Luke 18:1–8),
by Ms Brenda Goh

SUN, 22 OCT 2023

8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2) Pray Always and Do Not Lose Heart (1 Samuel 1:1–16;
Luke 18:1–8), by Ms Brenda Goh

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 richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg
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
- (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.sg

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

Nehemiah series

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10514278>

09/10 Sep Dr Benny Prasad

<https://vimeo.com/860567347>

30 Sep/01 Oct Mr Stanley Tay

<https://vimeo.com/867588088>

All/Other services

<https://vimeo.com/channels/sjsmchurch>

HEARTBEAT services

<https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr>

SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Tue, 24 Oct

7.45pm **CE course: Sermon on the Mount (4/5)**
(Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium)

Thu, 26 Oct

8pm **Healing Svc** (Onsite @ Chapel; email thssjsm@gmail.com for more info)

Fri, 27 Oct

2pm **Rummicube gathering** (Onsite @ Concourse)

Sat, 28 Oct

9am **Quiet Day** (Onsite @ Agape Hall)

2.30pm **Heartbeat Svc** (Onsite @ Shalom Hall; live-streamed on [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com).
Email heartbeat@sjsm.org.sg for more info)

5pm **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter
(Onsite @ Agape Hall & L4 rooms)

Mandarin Svc (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary;
email sjsmc@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

6.45pm **Post-SES Fellowship Dinner** (Onsite @ Community Hall)

Sun, 29 Oct

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

Junior Church & Teen Encounter
(Onsite @ Chara Room, Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms)

10am **Mandarin Svc** (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary;
email sjsmc@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

Tamil Svc (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium;
email solomon@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

11am **Indonesian Fellowship** (Onsite @ C205;
email sallyho@heartfriends.org.sg for more information or to join)

11.15am **English Svc** (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary; live-streamed via
sjsm.online.church, [SJSM Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/SJSM), and www.sjsm.org.sg/online.html)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter
(Onsite @ Chara Room, Charis Room, Agape Hall & L4 rooms)

1.30pm **Filipino Svc** (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium;
email juanita@sjsm.org.sg for more information)

2pm **Faith Foundations (3/4)** (Onsite @ B405)

Misc. details

Sermons

SES, E1 & E2

Witnesses for Christ
(Acts 1:7–8),
by Revd Victor Teo

Cell Groups

Looking for a group
to grow and serve
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.sg.

Alpha Course

Where anyone
can feel free to
ask questions and
explore the Christian
faith. Find out more
at [www.sjsm.org.sg/
alphacourse.html](http://www.sjsm.org.sg/alphacourse.html).

Join a Ministry

Come serve the
community with us!
Find out more about
the opportunities
available at [https://
form.jotform.com/
220376272517455](https://form.jotform.com/220376272517455).

You may also scan
the QR code below:



NOTICES

MISSIONS ENGAGEMENT & INTERGENERATIONAL (MEW-IG) WEEKEND – 28/29 OCT

This month's final weekend is going to be exciting. Look forward to intergenerational worship at SES, E1, and E2, and find out more about SJSM's scope of missions work so that you are enabled to participate in it! Seize the opportunity to plan your family's or your cell's missions engagement for 2024.

Highlights include:

- Family-friendly celebration with flags, song and dance, and testimonies in Christ Sanctuary;
- Gallery Walk at the Concourse with a quiz and prizes;
- Foods and snacks from some of SJSM's missions countries on Sun, 29 Oct (between E1 and E2);
- Display of cultural attire from around the world – do come dressed in your preferred choice of ethnic dress!

DOVER CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS 2023 (DCC23)

Happening on **Sat, 23 Dec**, DCC23 promises plenty of Fun, Food, and Festivity in SJSM Village.

Volunteers Needed!

A full list of the service opportunities is available on the [DCC23 webpage](#). Download it, discuss it with your family/cell, and sign up for what you feel led to contribute in at <https://form.jotform.com/232840991472462>.

DCC23 T-Shirts

As part of the Christmas Carnival festivities, let's all come dressed in the official DCC23 T-shirts on 23 Dec! They cost **\$10 each** and are on sale from **Sat, 14 Oct through Sun, 29 Oct** at <https://form.jotform.com/232843622139456>.

Samples of the various T-shirt sizes are available for viewing at the booth in the Concourse on service days.

Bookmark <https://www.sjsm.org.sg/dovercelebrates.html> for all the latest event details and links!

YAGUI EVENT – TALK ON DEMYSTIFYING CALLING

Why might it seem difficult to find one's calling? Need we wait for a mystical experience, or a voice from Heaven? How does one's calling map onto his or her vocation in the working world, and why does it all feel so dreary sometimes?

Join us and find out: (1) what is a calling; (2) how do I discern my own calling; and (3) why following Jesus transforms our calling. Come with questions!

Register at <https://forms.gle/6VYvipygkuMszbYz5> today.

OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO...

Jenny Sim Bu Kiau and family (children: Luke Lim Kah Keng and Lin Juanhui), on the loss of her beloved mother-in-law, Mdm Yap Say Moi, on Thu, 12 Oct 2023.

Join our Telegram Channel!

For our Telegram channel, scan the QR code and tap 'Join'.

<https://t.me/SJSMChurch>



For our Instagram channel, scan the QR code for our profile and click 'Follow'.



FOLLOW US ON
Instagram!

CONNECT WITH US

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Write to info@sjsm.org.sg to furnish us with relevant details.

MARRIAGE/WEDDINGS

Planning to get married?
Write to the Family Life Ministry at flm@sjsm.org.sg.

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 into the offering boxes at the exits. Tithing does not require an accompanying member's stewardship number.

STAFF RECRUITMENT NEEDS

1. Administrator, Admin & Events Mgt (Church Ops)
2. Administrator (Spiritual Formation)
3. Group Administrator, Church Operations

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

IS THERE A PASTORAL CALLING ON YOUR LIFE?

Are you considering serving as a pastoral staff in SJSM?

Those interested to explore these and other possibilities are welcome to speak to any of our pastors or drop our vicar, Revd Victor Teo, an email at vicar@sjsm.org.sg.

DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE: NOTICE OF INTENTION TO SEEK HOLY ORDERS

Notice is hereby given that Revd Tan Jin Kiat Calvin intends to offer himself a Candidate for the Holy Order of Priest within the limits of the Diocese of Singapore at the ensuing ordination to be held by the Rt Revd Dr Titus Chung Khiam Boon, Bishop of Singapore.

If any person knows any just cause or impediment for which he ought not to be admitted into Holy Orders for the Diocese aforesaid, he is now to declare the same or to signify the same to the Bishop.

DIOCESAN DAY OF PRAYER AND FAST (DDPF)

This year's DDPF theme is Holding Fast, Forging Ahead. Let's come together to fast and pray as one Diocesan family, seeking God's guidance to uphold our values and mandate, and deepening our relationship with Him through discipleship.

Date/Time: Sat, 4 Nov 2023 @ 9.30am–11am

Venue: Cathedral New Sanctuary, St. Andrew's Cathedral

WEDDING NOTICE

We rejoice with these members who have filed their notice with the Registry of Marriages, Singapore:

LEE JIA QUAN CHRISTOPHER & ANUPRIYA A DANIEL

Date/Time: Sat, 28 Oct @ 10am

Venue: Glory Sanctuary

If anyone knows of any reason why they may not lawfully marry, please inform the Vicar (SJSM) or the Registrar of Marriages before the wedding date.

TITHES & OFFERINGS (updated monthly)

	Jan–Sep 2023 (\$)	Sep 2023 (\$)
General Fund (Budgeted collections)	6,004,445	667,161
General Fund (Actual collections)	5,657,131	535,879
Excess / (Shortfall)	(347,314)	(131,282)

20TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalms 145 & 149; Isaiah 54:1–14; Luke 13:31–end

COLLECT: Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that He might rule over all things as Lord: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of His peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at His feet, who is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- **Worship Services.** Continue to pray for increasing move of the Spirit in the midst of our worship services, awakening hearts to God's presence and a deep desire to receive His ministry. Pray for anointing upon the worship team, service pastors, and preachers. May they be sensitive to yield to the leading of the Spirit, that He may have His ways amongst us to transform hearts and lives. (1 Cor 2:12–13)
- **Missions Engagement Weekend (MEW) (28/29 Oct).** Pray for (a) the testimonies and the messages at the upcoming MEW weekend services to rekindle in SJSMers a passion for missions, ushering us to participate as trippers and/or as senders; (b) families and cells to be excited at the prospect of experiencing spiritual breakthrough on mission trips, and to actively make plans for missions engagement in 2024; (c) the formation/reinforcement of home-support groups for our mission stations in Korat, Laos, and Timor Leste. (Jn 4:34–36)

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

- **Dover Celebrates Christmas.** Pray for (a) the SJSM family to turn out as one to extend a warmest welcome to the Dover community through this event; (b) cells to participate with enthusiasm and creativity to bless the Doverites and glorify Jesus; (c) good weather and smooth logistics; (d) overwhelming response from the Dover community. May the event exude the fragrance of Christ that transforms the spiritual landscape of Dover.

OUR NATION

- **Shalom Singapore.** May the people of God be vigilant in praying for the shalom of our nation. Pray for (a) supreme wisdom to guide our government in her foreign policies and her interaction with other nations in this increasingly complex world of geo-political tension; (b) the population to stay united in keeping racial and religious harmony, and be alert against attempts at radicalisation, especially of youngsters through social media platforms; (c) God's sovereign protection over our nation against acts of terrorism. May He mercifully expose the schemes of terrorism, and grant our authorities success in counter-measures. (1 Ti 2:1–2; Ps 127:1)

THE WORLD

- **Israel-Gaza War.** Pray for (a) God to redeem human activities for His higher purposes (Gen 50:20; Ps 46:8–10); (b) nations in a position to influence the outcome of the war to work towards peace and to facilitate humanitarian efforts for the refugees; (c) healing of those afflicted by physical injuries and emotional trauma; (d) believers in that region to persevere in their love for God and for one another regardless of their ethnic identities. May unity in Christ prevail over the generational bondage of ethnic hatred (Jn 13:34–35).

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

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

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

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

UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS

Missions Engagement & Intergenerational Weekend

28/29 Oct

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Celebratory services featuring flags, song and dance, and testimonies
 - Gallery Walk at Concourse with a quiz and prizes
- Foods from some of SJSM's missions countries on Sun, 29 Oct (between E1/E2)



Come for service dressed in your favourite ethnic attire / cultural dress from anywhere in the world!



FELLOWSHIP MEAL

Sat, 28 Oct (dinner)

- purchase voucher(s) by Sun, 22 Oct
- WhatsApp Esther at 9785 5414 to confirm your voucher(s) and arrange payment.

\$7/pax: dinner + drinks + dessert



- FOC for newcomers who register via the Visitors' Form (visit <http://tinyurl.com/SJSMSvcfeedbak> or scan the QR code above)

One in Hope Dover Celebrates Christmas 2023

Sat, 23 Dec
@ SJSM Village

Look forward to:

- An Amazing Race in Dover (8.30am–10am)
- A Christmas Carnival (10am–5pm)
- Parties for seniors and children
- Food, drinks, and snacks (with low-GI options)
- Indoor/outdoor activities including the beloved choo-choo train



Info / Sign-up / T-shirt sales:
Booth is open at the Concourse
on the weekends of
21/22 Oct & 28/29 Oct

<https://www.sjsm.org.sg/dovercelebrates.html>

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UNITE US! 2023



Friday, 10 November
@ Bethel Hall
7pm • dinner (registration required)
8pm • programme

Towards deeper fellowship, freedom, and victory
vision • roadmap • unity
Bringing a brother with you!

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

Questions?
Contact Paul Lee (9819 7275)



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