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#### SAT, 04 NOV & SUN, 05 NOV 2023

#### Saturday services

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

#### **Sunday services**

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 – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

> Junior Church Details on pages 2–3

#### > 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

## WELCOME TO SJSM

## THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

#### SAT, 04 NOV 2023

**2.30pm (Heartbeat) & 5pm (SES)** Mental Distress: Is it Because of a Lack of Faith? (Psalm 102:1–12; Matthew 11:28–30), by Revd Victor Teo

SUN, 05 NOV 2023

**8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2)** Mental Distress: Is it Because of a Lack of Faith? (Psalm 102:1–12; Matthew 11:28–30), by Revd Victor Teo

#### **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)

No classes on 04/05 Nov due to TE Camp @ GB HQ Email <u>richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg</u> for enquiries.

#### JUNIOR CHURCH

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 about Junior Church.

## CATCH IT AGAIN

#### Nehemiah series

https://vimeo.com/showcase/10514278 09/10 Sep Dr Benny Prasad https://vimeo.com/860567347

# 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 <u>https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCare3</u>



30 Sep/01 Oct Mr Stanley Tay <u>https://vimeo.com/867588088</u> All/Other services <u>https://vimeo.com/channels/sjsmchurch</u> HEARTBEAT services <u>https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr</u>

## SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

#### <u>Thu, 09 Nov</u>

8pm Healing Svc (Onsite @ Chapel; email <u>thssjsm@gmail.com</u> for more info)

#### Fri, 10 Nov

7pm men4men (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium)

#### Sat, 11 Nov

- 2.30pm **Heartbeat Svc** (Onsite @ Shalom Hall; live-streamed on <u>YouTube</u>. Email <u>heartbeat@sjsm.org.sg</u> for more info)
- 5pm English Svc (Onsite @ Christ Sanctuary)

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

Mandarin Svc (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary; email <u>sismc@sism.org.sg</u> for more information or to join)

7pm YAGUI Talk: Demystifying Calling (Onsite @ Community Hall)

#### Sun, 12 Nov

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

Tamil Svc (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium; email <u>solomon@sjsm.org.sg</u> 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, and www.sjsm.org.sq/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)
- 5pm **Diocese of Singapore: Ordination Svc** (Onsite @ St. Andrew's Cathedral; live-streamed at <u>http://bit.ly/OrdinationService2023</u>)

#### Misc. details

#### Sermons

SAT & SUN Mental Distress: Is it Because of Sin or Demonic Activity? (Revelation 12:7; John 10:7–16), by Ven Wong Tak Meng

#### **Cell Groups**

Looking for a group to grow and serve with? Join a cell group! For more information, write to <u>cell@sjsm.org.sg</u>

#### Youth Ministry

Comprises Teen Encounter (ages 11– 13) and Heartbeat (ages 14–20). To find out more, email <u>richardkwan@sjsm.</u> org.sg.

#### Join a Ministry

Volunteer with us in serving the larger church community! Find out more about the opportunities available <u>here</u> (or scan the QR code below).



## Nov 2023 Pulpit series: Mental Health

04 & 05 Nov • Mental Distress: Is it Because of a Lack of Faith? 11 & 12 Nov • Mental Distress: Is it Because of Sin or Demonic Activity? 18 & 19 Nov • Mental Distress: We are Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

## NOTICES

#### 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 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.

#### **Ordination Service 2023**

Join the Ordination Service via livestream to witness three candidates (from Singapore and the Deanery of Cambodia) being ordained to the Priesthood.

Date/Time/Venue: Sun, 12 Nov 2023 • 5pm • Cathedral New Sanctuary (CNS), St. Andrew's Cathedral

Scan/Tap the QR code on the right to book tickets to the service (attendance is free; registration is purely for administrative purposes) Alternatively, join us online for the live stream at: <u>http://bit.ly/OrdinationService2023</u>

#### **DOVER CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS 2023 (DCC23)**

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

#### Volunteers Needed!

Many hands are still needed to help out in the following areas: Food Stalls (staple foods), Games Stalls for children, Roving Ambassadors to befriend/assist visitors, Welcomers to greet and count visitors at the gates, and helpers to decorate the church grounds, help out with logistics, and join the sound/technical crew.

Get the full list of activities, with details and time slots, at <u>https://www.sjsm.org.sg/dovercelebrates.html</u>; sign up via <u>https://form.jotform.com/232840991472462</u>.

DCC23 T-Shirts

If you missed last week's deadline to place your T-shirt order(s), please email <u>events@sjsm.org.sg</u> for assistance.

#### CHARITY CRAFT SALE: 11/12 & 18/19 NOV

A selection of beautiful art and handicrafts (mostly made by SJSMers) will be on sale at the Concourse before and after all services. They include hand-drawn paintings, hand-crafted gift bags/frames, floral wreaths/ arrangements, decoupage, and hand-made gift cards/ gift tags. All proceeds from the sales will be channelled to supporting SJSM Nursing Home to fund medical care, therapy, and operational expenses, as well as to Little Seeds Preschool (Dover)'s Seeds of Hope fund for children from needy families.



#### DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE ORDINATION SERVICE 2023

Sun, 12 Nov • 5pm St. Andrew's Cathedral Cathedral New Sanctuary (CNS)

Book tickets to attend onsite! Registration is free.



Join the live-stream:



#### CHARITY CRAFT SALE on 11/12 & 18/19 NOV



## NOTICES

#### 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 <u>www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment</u> for details.

#### **STAFF APPOINTMENT**

We welcome Daniel Ang to the SJSM staff team (w.e.f. Wed, 1 Nov 2023) as Technical Resource Officer (Music Ministry).

#### 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 <u>vicar@sjsm.org.sg</u>.

#### LEADERS' CONVENTION (LC) – Sat, 18 Nov

Leaders, please note that LC will start at 9.30am in the Community Hall. Breakfast will start at 9am. More details will be provided to you via email, so stay tuned!

#### CHURCH PRAYER GATHERING (CPG) - Fri, 24 Nov

Set aside this time to come together to pray! Time/Venue: 7.45pm @ Christ Sanctuary Light refreshments will be served after the session.

#### WEDDING NOTICE

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

#### CHEONG KAH PENG VICTOR & THAM WEI TING VANESSA Date/Time: Sat, 18 Nov @ 10am Venue: Glory Sanctuary

JOEL YEOW EN KAI & RACHEL LOY HUI YING

Date/Time: Sat, 25 Nov @ 10am Venue: Christ Sanctuary

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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.

#### **OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO...**

Joyce Yip and family (husband: Vincent Yip Wai Meng daughter: Yip Pui Whye). Joyce's beloved brother, Mr Colin Christopher Chan Wah Tye, was called home to the Lord on Wed, 25 Oct 2023.

TITHES & OFFERINGS (updated monthly)		
	Jan-Oct 2023 (\$)	Oct 2023 (\$)
General Fund (Budgeted collections)	6.671.606	667.161
General Fund (Actual collections)	6.363.288	706.157
Excess / (Shortfall)	(308,318)	38,996

## PRAYER @ SJSM

#### 4TH SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT / ALL SAINTS' DAY

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalms 15, 84, 149; Isaiah 35; Luke 9:18-27

**COLLECT**: Heavenly Father, whose blessed Son was revealed that He might destroy the works of the devil and make us the sons of God and heirs of eternal life: grant that we, having this hope, may purify ourselves even as He is pure; that when He shall appear in power and great glory we may be made like Him in His eternal and glorious kingdom; where He is alive and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

#### OUR PARISH

• **SJSM 2024.** Pray for the staff team as they work towards concretising the plans for SJSM2024. Pray for Revd Victor Teo to lead the **Leaders' Convention (18 Nov)** in a way that is spiritually refreshing and life-giving, awakening hearts to respond joyfully to God's leading for SJSM.

#### **OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY**

• Dover Celebrates Christmas. Pray for the entire SJSM family to be excited about hosting Dover with practical actions and God's love. Pray for (a) good weather, and excellent coordination of all activities for this event; (b) the staff and lay organising teams to serve with joy, unity, and a passion to bless Dover; (c) overwhelming participation from the Dover community; (d) great rejoicing and strong presence of God to strengthen their bonding with the church; (e) divine protection over the event and all the participants.

#### **OUR NATION**

- **Shalom Singapore.** Pray for (a) the people in Singapore to stay united in keeping racial and religious harmony; (b) God's sovereign protection over our nation against acts of terrorism; (c) wisdom to guide the governments in this region towards maintaining peace in their nations and with one another. (1 Ti 2:1–2; Ps 127:1)
- **Scams.** Pray for wisdom to guide our government in tackling prevalent online scams. Pray for systemic digitalisation to be paced by practical measures to minimise exposure of the public to online scams. May the Lord deal with every scammer in such a way that will bring him/her to repentance, that he/she may find life in Christ (Jn 10:10).

#### THE WORLD

- **Anti-Semitism.** Pray against every kind of religious and ethnic hatred, such as the rising tides of anti-sematism worldwide. Pray for divine protection over the Jewish people around the world. Pray also for them to become open to receive the Good News of the Messiah. May those who harbour anti-Semitic sentiments be convicted by the Holy Spirit and their hearts be deeply transformed. (Zech 12:10)
- US & China. Pray for God to soften the hearts of President Biden and President Xi Jinping ahead of their proposed meeting in November to explore the possibility of stabilising an increasingly tense relationship between these two superpowers. Pray for spiritual awakening to come upon both nations, that their people may see that Christ is the Saviour of all nations, and be set free from national prejudices.

#### **DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER**

Download the latest file at <u>www.anglican.org.sg</u>.

#### **PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY**

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

## UPCOMING HIGHLIGHTS

# Seniors' Fellowship

2PM ON THU, 16 NOV @ BETHEL AUDITORIUM

#### DETAILS/ENQUIRIES: DROP US AN EMAIL AT <u>MICH@SJSM.ORG.SG</u>



Dover Celebrates Christmas! 23 Dec 2023 at SJSM Village



Join us at our Christmas carnival for games & rides, Amazing Race, virtual reality immersion, nerf gun showdown, family art, food stalls & snacks, workshops & talks, raffle draws, parties for both seniors & children, and more! All are welcome.

## DEMYSTIFYING CALLING



Join us in the next YAGUI workshop and learn how to discern God's calling for our lives.

Nick is currently a student at ETC Asia studying to become a full-time pastor.

> 11 Nov 2023, 7pm @ comm hall



men4men

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

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

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

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

> Vicar Revd Victor Teo

Clergy Ven Wong Tak Meng Revd Dino Thangamany Revd Thong Tang Hiong Revd Solomon Periyanayakam Revd Calvin Tan Revd Vincent Hoon (auxiliary)

Deaconesses Ds Bessie Lee Ds Laura Chan (auxiliary)



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