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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, 11 NOV
& SUN, 12 NOV 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, 11 NOV 2023

2.30pm (Heartbeat) & 5pm (SES) Mental Distress: Due to Sin and Satan?
(Genesis 3:1–19; John 10:7–16), by Ven Wong Tak Meng

SUN, 12 NOV 2023

8.15am (E1) & 11.15am (E2) Mental Distress: Due to Sin and Satan?
(Genesis 3:1–19; John 10:7–16), by Ven Wong Tak Meng

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>

30 Sep/01 Oct Mr Stanley Tay

<https://vimeo.com/867588088>

Mental Health series

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10771589>

All/Other services

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

HEARTBEAT services

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

SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Thu, 16 Nov

- 2pm **Seniors' Fellowship** (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium)
8pm **Healing Svc** (Onsite @ Chapel; email thssjsm@gmail.com for more info)

Fri, 17 Nov

- 2pm **Rummikub Interest Group**
(Onsite @ Concourse – all are welcome!)

Sat, 18 Nov

- 9.30am **Leaders' Convention** (Onsite @ Bethel Auditorium)
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)

Sun, 19 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 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](https://www.sjsm.online.church), [SJSJ 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)

Sun, 19 Nov – Sun, 26 Nov

HealthTouch mission trip (@ Timor Leste)

Misc. details

Sermons

SAT & SUN

Mental Distress: We are Fearfully and Wonderfully Made (Psalm 139), 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.

Join a Ministry

Volunteer with us in serving the larger church community! Find out more about the opportunities available [here](#) (or scan the QR code below).



NOTICES

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 <https://www.sjsm.org.sg/dovercelebrates.html>; sign up via <https://form.jotform.com/232840991472462>.

DCC23 T-Shirts

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

SJSM CHRISTMAS SERVICES & EVENTS

Christmas is always a time when hearts are more open to the sharing of the Gospel, so let's be praying about who to invite – especially to our evangelistic/Gospel services!

[Watoto Children's Choir](#) concerts w/ evangelistic sharing

Date/Time: Sat, 23 Dec 2023 @ 2pm & 5pm

Speaker: Revd Victor Teo

Christmas Eve Holy Communion Service

Date/Time: Sun, 24 Dec 2023 @ 9am

Speaker: Rt Revd Rennis Ponniah

Christmas Eve Gospel Service

A creative retelling of the Christmas story

Date/Time: Sun, 24 Dec 2023 @ 9pm

Speaker: Revd Victor Teo

LEADERS' CONVENTION (LC) – Sat, 18 Nov

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

BAPTISM SERVICES – 25/26 Nov

We welcome the following individuals into our SJSM family on the weekend of 25/26 Nov 2023. 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.

Sat, 25 Nov (SES)

Seah Yi Xin Jemima, Seah Yi Heng Ashriel, Vera Tan Ting Xin, Vernon Tan Yao Xin, Alecia Ho Zi Ning, Eythan Duhlian, Jeremy Siah De En, Jonas Fan Xuan Peng, Tan Yuan Xin, Liu Guoyi, Tengara Juliana, Chia Chee Leong

Sun, 26 Nov (E2)

Lim Junkai John, Lim Li En Avalyna, Soh Xin Hui Stacy, Fong Tat Wai, Tan Sheau Ling, Ho Sheng Rong



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



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.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS MONTH – Nov 2023

It's important to remember that every contribution helps missions work to grow. A collection will be taken later this month; let us give generously so as to reap a bountiful harvest in time to come. Details will be available soon.

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.

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

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–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

3RD SUNDAY BEFORE ADVENT

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 91; Deuteronomy 17:14–end; 1 Timothy 2:1–7

COLLECT: Almighty God, whose chosen servant Abraham faithfully obeyed Your call and rejoiced in Your promise that, in Him, all the families of the earth should be blessed: give us a faith like His, that, in us, Your promises may be fulfilled; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- **Leadership.** (a) Pray for our staff and leaders to persevere in serving God, His way, trusting that in His time, He will manifest the fruits of His labour. Pray for patience, restfulness, and quiet joy that flow from prayerfulness. (b) Pray for Revd Victor Teo to lead the upcoming **Leaders' Convention (18 Nov)** in a way that is spiritually refreshing and life-giving. May we see beyond ministry programmes to catch what truly matters to God, and gratefully yield to His leading. (Jn 5:19; Jer 17:7–8)
- **Mental Distress.** May the Spirit minister to us powerfully through the sermons on mental distress. May we grow in discerning the root causes of mental distress and know the Father's heart for His struggling children. Pray for SJSM to be a healing community where we can find acceptance and healing in God's love, and learn to walk in His truth that sets us free. (Jn 8:31–32)

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

- **Dover Celebrates Christmas (DCC).** May we see the higher purpose of God for DCC and be excited about what God is doing to make His presence felt in Dover. May the Lord teach us to practise radical hospitality, transforming SJSM into a vibrant community that is generous in blessing others, that they may know the Giver whom we worship and serve. Pray for many more SJSMers to respond to the call to offer themselves unto the Lord to meet the manpower needs. (2 Cor 9:10–13)

OUR NATION

- **4G Transition.** (a) Pray special blessings over Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong. Give thanks to God for his faithfulness in serving Singapore with utmost sincerity and integrity. (b) Pray for God's hand over the process of leadership transition to Mr Lawrence Wong and his 4G team. May God bless Mr Wong with good advisors and strong support amongst his colleagues (Pr 11:14), and empower him and his team to fulfil a strong domestic and international agenda in an increasingly troubled world. (c) Pray that the core values of integrity, social justice, good ethics, reasonableness, and moral courage will continue to undergird the foundation of our government. May the Lord bless Singapore, and may righteous governance be a light to the nations (Pr 14:34).

THE WORLD

- **US & China.** Pray for God to soften the hearts of President Biden and President Xi ahead of their proposed side meeting at the APEC Summit (11–17 Nov) 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 www.anglican.org.sg.

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

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



Dover Celebrates Christmas! 23 Dec 2023 at SJSM Village



#DoverCelebratesChristmas
www.sjsm.org.sg/dovercelebrates



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

CHURCH PRAYER GATHERING

Fri, 24 Nov • 7.45pm
@ Christ Sanctuary

*Church, let's continue
to seek the Lord
together!*



Seniors' Fellowship

2PM ON THU, 16 NOV
@ BETHEL AUDITORIUM

DETAILS/ENQUIRIES:
DROP US AN EMAIL AT
MICH@SJSM.ORG.SG

KNOW THE WORD

Dig deeper, uncover treasures

ECCLESIASTES & THE SONG OF SONGS

Jan 23–Mar 26, 2024
(10 Tuesdays)

7.45pm–9.45pm @ Bethel Auditorium
Instructors: Dr Lee Chien Earn & Mr Julian Chin

Registration is open
until Sun, 14 Jan 2024.

To sign up, scan the QR code
or visit [http://chms.sjsm.org.sg/
equipping/registration/55/public](http://chms.sjsm.org.sg/equipping/registration/55/public)



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