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► **TRINITY.**

Trinity Sunday celebrates the doctrine of the Trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit who exist in perfect union as one God, while still having distinct personalities and roles. In line with this day's liturgical colour (white or gold), we spotlight the bright yellow blooms of the hardy acacia tree, *Acacia raddiana*.

**SAT, 25 MAY
& SUN, 26 MAY 2024**

Saturday services

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

English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary)

Mandarin – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Sunday services

English – 8.15am (Christ Sanctuary),

10.45am* (Christ Sanctuary & [online](#))

Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary)

Indonesian Fellowship – 10.45am (B402)

Filipino – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

Tamil – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter

Details on pages 2–3

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

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 25 MAY 2024

2.30pm (Heartbeat) & 5pm (SES)

The First Church (Acts 2:42–47), by Revd Victor Teo

SUN, 26 MAY 2024

8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2)

The First Church (Acts 2:42–47), by Revd Victor Teo

*A Study of
Hospitality in the
Book of Acts*

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!



**NOTE: TE & JC
will not meet in June**

Teen Encounter (ages 11–13)

Sat – 5pm (SES),

Sun – 8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2)

@ B403, B404, B405, Prayer Loft C303

Enquiries? Email richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg

Junior Church (ages 3–10)

Sat – 5pm (SES)

(Primary) ages 7–10 • (Preschool) ages 3–6

@ Charis Room @ Chara Room

Sun – 8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2)

• (Primary) ages 7–10

@ Agape Hall

• (Preschool: Kindy) ages 5–6

@ Charis Room

• (Preschool: Nursery) ages 3–4

@ Chara Room

Enquiries? Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg

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

or counselling@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

Confirmation Service: 19 May 2024

<https://vimeo.com/945422371>

Radical Hospitality: God's

Hospitality in the Gospel of Luke

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10908415>

Ps Ross Paterson: 03 Mar 2024

<https://vimeo.com/916371286>

All/Other services

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

HEARTBEAT services

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



SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Tue, 28 May

7.45pm **Christianity & Modern Thought (4/4)** (Bethel Auditorium)

Thu, 30 May

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

Sat, 1 June

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

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

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

Sun, 2 June

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

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

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

10.45am **English Svc** (Christ Sanctuary; live-streamed via [sjsm.online.church](https://www.sjsm.online.church),
[SJSM Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/SJSM), and www.sjsm.org.sg/online.html)

Indonesian Fellowship (B402;
email sallyho@heartfriends.org.sg for more information or to join)

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

Misc. details

Sermons

SAT & SUN

Healing & Hospitality
in Acts (Acts 3:1-10),
by Revd Calvin Tan

Cell Groups

Looking for a group
to grow and serve
with? Scan/Tap/Click
the QR code below
to join a cell group!



Questions? Write to
us at 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.

VICAR OVERSEAS

Revd Victor Teo and family will be away from 1–7 June 2024 and appreciate your continued prayers.



2024 Pulpit Series: A Study on Hospitality in Acts

- Healing and Hospitality in Acts • Jun 01/02
- Challenges of Hospitality • Jun 08/09
- Facing Persecution with Radical Hospitality • Jun 15/16
- Philip and the Ethiopian Eunuch: • Jun 22/23
- A Divine Appointment

NOTICES

CHURCH CAMP 2024 BRIEFING – THIS WEEKEND

Attention all campers! Please be sure to attend one of the 3 identical briefings which will be held **immediately after SES, E1, and E2 in Christ Sanctuary this weekend**. We estimate that each briefing will take around 30 minutes.

PRIMARY 1 PHASE 2B REGISTRATION IN ANGLICAN SCHOOLS (2025 INTAKE)

For children born between:

2 Jan 2018 – 1 Jan 2019 (both dates inclusive)

MOE Online Registration period:

22 July, 9am – 23 July, 4:30pm

Confirmed members of the Anglican Church are eligible for the P1 Phase 2B registration for their child to the following schools: 1) St Andrew's Junior School (boys);

2) St Hilda's Primary School (co-ed);

3) St Margaret's Primary School (girls).

The following forms and their accompanying documents must be emailed to cindylee@sjsm.org.sg **no later than Sun, 23 Jun 2024**. These are required for the MOE registration and are available from the Info Desk or www.sjsm.org.sg/p1.html.

* DIOCESE OF SINGAPORE - FORM A

* SJSM VERIFICATION FORM

Please note that submission of the Vicar's endorsement does not guarantee placement.

For full details on the process, please visit <https://www.moe.gov.sg/primary/p1-registration/how-to-register>.

WOMEN AT THE WELL RETREAT

Dates & Venue: Fri, 19 Jul – Sat, 20 Jul, Changi Cove Hotel

Speaker: Dr Lau Ying Kheng

Cost: \$251.80 per person (double occupancy)

\$335.80 per person (single occupancy)

This retreat is open to all SJSM ladies aged 18 and above.

Registration ends on 10 June or when capacity is reached.

Spaces are filling up quickly, so sign up soon! Register at

<http://tinyurl.com/WAWRT204>

PRAYER TRAINING RETREAT 2024

Dates: 13–15 Sep (Fri–Sun)

Instructor: Brenda Goh

Venue: Forest City Golf Resort, Johor

Prayer is crucial to the Christian life, so do sign up to experience a revival in conversing with and encountering God! **Registration closes on Sun, 4 Aug** or when capacity is reached.

More information and the registration form are available at www.sjsm.org.sg/prayer.html.

TRINITY.

On the first Sunday after Pentecost, the church celebrates the mystery as well as the perfect unity of the Triune Godhead. The liturgical colour for this day can be either white or gold, and we've chosen to feature the pops of sunny yellow that the hardy desert tree

Acacia raddiana produces during its flowering season.

Acacia is mentioned 29 times in scripture, and is best known as a major construction material for the Tabernacle — particularly in the making of the Ark of the Covenant.



15!

PRAISE GOD!

Our Tamil congregation turns 15 this weekend!

May the Lord continue to use them to grow His kingdom!

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. Group Administrator, Church Operations
 2. Team Lead, Information Technology
 To apply, visit www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment for details.

KOPI STOP STAFF RECRUITMENT
 St. Andrew's Active Ageing (Care) at Dover (better known in our community as Kopi Stop) is hiring a Care Befriender. Visit <https://tinyurl.com/kopistoprecruitment> for details. Applications close on Fri, 7 Jun.

NO JUNIOR CHURCH & TEEN ENCOUNTER IN JUNE
 As usual, Junior Church and Teen Encounter across all the services will take a break in June and will resume on the 6/7 July weekend.

SENIORS' FELLOWSHIP
 Building a community for the elderly to edify one another.
Date/Time: Thu, 6 Jun @ 2pm
Venue: Bethel Auditorium
 If you have queries or need more information, get in touch with Michelle at mich@sjsm.org.sg.

WEDDING NOTICE
 We want to rejoice with these members who have filed their notice with the Registry of Marriages, Singapore:
SIM ZHI XIN & JULENE ONG HUI WUN
Date: 10am, 8 Jun 2024 | **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.

OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO...
 • Ai Tiang (husband: George; children: Clara, Lionel and Mark), Steven and Ai Noi, whose beloved mother, Mdm Yeo Hui Meng, was called home to the Lord on Wed, 15 May 2024.
 • Yeo Poh Tin, on the loss of her beloved mother, Mdm Oh Ah Choe, on Thu, 23 May 2024.

TITHES & OFFERINGS (updated monthly)		
	Jan–Apr 2024 (\$)	Apr 2024 (\$)
General Fund (Budgeted collections)	2,686,580	671,645
General Fund (Actual collections)	2,988,820	769,090
Excess / (Shortfall)	302,240	97,445

TRINITY SUNDAY

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 33:1–12; Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31; 2 Corinthians 13.

COLLECT: Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us Your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity and in the power of the divine majesty to worship the Unity: keep us steadfast in this faith, that we may evermore be defended from all adversities; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- **Church Camp (10-13 June).** Pray for (a) strength, unity, joy, and protection for all who serve in the camp committees and onsite; (b) mighty anointing upon Revd Victor Teo, Ps Andrew Gardener (the camp speaker), and the worship teams; (c) a deep longing for God to well up in all campers (Ps 84:1–4), opening hearts to receive the ministry of the Word and Spirit. May this camp be a landmark in the journey of SJSM where personal and corporate altars are built, and our unity strengthened for Kingdom purposes.

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

- **Korat.** (a) **Korat Student Learning Trip (21–27 May).** Pray that our youth hosts and the host families will have a fruitful time reaching out to the 17 Korat students and their teachers who are in Singapore for an exposure trip. May our Thai guests be touched by God's love expressed through our radical hospitality, and be open to the Gospel. (b) **Korat Mission Trip (3–7 June).** Pray God's protection, anointing, joy, and strength upon the SJSM mission team of 5 adults and 14 youths, who will be ministering to children and youths in Korat. Pray for team unity and love. May God go before them to prepare the hearts of the locals to receive the Gospel.
- **SJSM Nursing Home.** Pray for the hearts of pre-believers amongst the nursing home community (residents, next-of-kin, staff, external volunteers, etc.) to be inexplicably warmed by the presence of God, and that God will make known to them the pathway of life that blesses them with the joy of salvation (Ps 16:8–9). Pray for the leadership team that the Lord will guide them to manage the nursing home according to His will.

OUR NATION

- **A Gracious Singapore.** Give thanks to God that the public has experienced more acts of graciousness over the past year (source: Singapore Kindness Movement). Pray for the growth of true graciousness which encompasses a profound sense of empathy, compassion, and altruism. May it become an intrinsic part of our cultural fabric, contributing to the collective well-being of our society and our nation's resilience. Pray for believers, that their lifestyle of graciousness exude from their gratitude towards God for His bountiful grace, touching others with His love. (2 Cor 9:8; Mt 5:16)

THE WORLD

- **World Hunger Day (28 May).** May this annual event raise awareness about the 820 million people living in chronic hunger as the world faces a worsening food crisis. Pray for global rise in social conscience to propel efforts to channel sufficient resources for reaching the hungry, and to work on long-term solutions. May the Word go forth to the nations so that the Bread of Life may rescue those in spiritual famine, changing hearts to change the world. (Ps 146:6–7; Jn 6:35)

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.

FAITH FOUNDATIONS (I)

Explore the key foundations of the Christian faith!
Attendance is a prerequisite for baptism in SJSM.

7, 14, 21, 28 Jul (4 Sundays)

1.30-3.30pm @ B405

Register by Sun, 30 Jun

Upcoming
Baptism Services:
24 & 25 Aug 2024

For more info or to
sign up, scan the
QR code or visit
[www.sjasm.org.sg/
courses](http://www.sjasm.org.sg/courses).



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MEN'S BREAKTHROUGH WEEKEND

Encounter our Father God's heart,
and experience the joy of spiritual
friendship with fellow brothers

Registration now open!

All SJSM men 18 yrs old
& above are welcome



6 - 8 SEPT 2024

Forest City, Johor, Malaysia



KNOW THE WORD

Dig deeper, uncover treasures

THE BOOK OF MATTHEW

16 Jul-17 Sep 2024

(10 Tuesdays)

7.45pm-9.45pm @ Bethel Auditorium

Instructors: Ms Chua Kim Yien,
Ms Emily Koh, Mr Benjamin Tan

Registration is open
until Sun, 7 Jul 2024.

To sign up, scan the QR code
or visit [http://chms.sjasm.org.sg/
equipping/registration/66/public](http://chms.sjasm.org.sg/equipping/registration/66/public)



2024 SJSM YOUNG ADULTS RETREAT

SPEAKER:
RT REVD DAVID BURKE

DATE: 8 - 10 NOV, FRI - SUN

VENUE: ST. GILES SOUTHKEY, JB

****EARLY BIRD:**

S\$280.00 +

S\$40.00

for transport



Bishop of Singapore
The Most Revd Dr Titus Chung

Assistant Bishop
Rt Revd Low Jee King

Archdeacon of Singapore
Ven Daniel Wee

Vicar
Revd Victor Teo

Clergy
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Revd Dino Thangamany
Revd Thong Tang Hiong
Revd Solomon Periyamayakam
Revd Calvin Tan
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PRAYER is crucial to our Christian life.

It is our lifeline to God for growing in intimacy with Him, that we may have the spiritual vitality for engaging in His work in the world. Yet this one thing we need to do the most, quite often ends up being the thing we do the least, often because prayer does not come naturally or easily to most of us.

Do join us and experience prayer revival for yourself, through the avenue of conversing with and encountering God.

THIS RETREAT WILL FOCUS ON 3 MAIN ASPECTS:



Character Formation. In order to listen well to the Lord and pray His will with His anointing, we need to be clean vessels.



Spiritual Restoration. Participants will be given the opportunity to be prayed for (infilling of the Spirit, healing, etc).



Skills Impartation. Participants will be introduced to different expressions of prayer (meditative, petitionary, intercessory, warfare, healing etc) with practicums in small groups.

POST-RETREAT

9-MONTH PRAYER TRAINING (F.O.C.)

Developing an effective prayer life takes a process.

After the Retreat, participants will have the *option* to sign up for further training for nine months (twice monthly) to facilitate further development of what they have learnt from the Retreat.

REGISTER NOW at

www.sjsm.org.sg/prayer

- Retreat fees:
Twin/double sharing, inclusive of meals:
- \$320 (with 2-way bus transport)
 - \$300 (without bus transport)

- Single room, inclusive of meals:
- \$430 (with 2-way bus transport)
 - \$410 (without bus transport)

Please ensure your passport is valid for at least 6 months after the day of the Retreat.
Places are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration closes on 4 Aug 2024 or when full registration is reached. Your registration will only be confirmed upon receipt of payment.

For enquiries, email Charis Ng at prayer@sjsm.org.sg



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**SJSM
PRAYER
TRAINING
RETREAT**

13-15 Sept 2024

**Forest City Golf Resort
JB, Malaysia**

Instructor: Brenda Goh

*For He satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul
He fills with good things.
Psalm 107:9*

All Glory to God!

ALL ABOUT MY RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

by Jeannie Koh

I attended the Prayer Training Retreat (PTR) and the 9-month Prayer Training (PT) in 2022 as well as 2023—the topics covered do vary and are highly applicable to our daily walk with God.

In 2022, I felt led by God to attend to learn more about spiritual warfare. Different forms of prayers were taught; we were exposed to the multi-dimensional character of our dialogue with God. We also learnt about the wound of rejection, and I realised that I was dealing with it on multiple fronts, resulting in lots of bitterness. I realised I had to take action, renew my mind, and replace destructive feelings with godly ones so that I could be free.

The second time round, I invited a friend to attend PTR with me and experienced first-hand how the enemy tries all ways and means to prevent us

from coming near to God. I'm a nurse, and I learnt that prayer works in ways that defy medical knowledge when we stand firm in our faith and take authority in Jesus' name. I learnt the beauty of full surrender and resting in God, despite impossible circumstances.

The PT teaching is application-focused. Lots of personal testimonies and case studies mean that the lessons are interesting, and easy to understand and apply, even for new believers like me. The lesson on stillness, solitude, and silence has helped me focus on God alone, and reinforced the importance of discipline in my prayer life. The sharing on listening to God through the Scriptures helped me to dive deeper and understand God's word from a perspective that I never thought possible.

I look at prayer in a different light now; it is indeed not about how we pray but all about our own relationship with God. I truly thank God for giving me this avenue to know Him better and hear His voice. I also love being in a highly supportive group environment that ensures no one is left out!

I CAN LAMENT! by Hephzibah Ho

I grew up in a dysfunctional family in which violence was common—at times I didn't know if I would wake up if I allowed myself to sleep. Self-expression and voicing of opinions were aggressively discouraged; survival instinct in the midst of frustrated helplessness and anger meant that emotional suppression has been a coping mechanism for most of my life.

It was an oppressive environment where fear was my constant companion. When faced with difficult, unjust or unkind treatment, I often wanted to speak up but was constantly overruled, and threatened by adults not to open my mouth. I ended up wallowing in negativity while bottling everything up inside. It was very

unhealthy. I felt belittled and unworthy. The result of that was seen in the many physical and emotional problems that assailed me over the years.

All that started to change when I attended PTR and the 9-month prayer training in 2022 and 2023.

I was so thankful when we were taught that we can lament to God. Can meh? My whole face lit up; I knew my eyes were sparkling as I strained to listen as carefully as possible to confirm that I had heard correctly. The book of Psalms is our evidence: David—a man who was so close to God and who wrote many of the Psalms, could freely lament to Him. I have licence to speak up. Oh, yes! The word 'lament' is now part of my vocabulary. I can freely express myself and release my emotional burdens to our Abba Father without fear! I thank Him too that by His grace, through prayer ministry, I am learning to walk in freedom from rejection, fear, and emotional woundedness. All glory to Him!

I look forward to every session, for new insights and deeper understanding on repeat topics and for new ones that are introduced as the Spirit leads. I've also benefited from the honest sharing—yes, with both tears and laughter—within our small group.

