



ORDINARY TIME

At "Ordinary Time" our focus shifts away from the great feasts of sacred history (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Easter, Ascension, Pentecost) into our ongoing growth as Christians belonging to the Triune God. We are reminded to focus on maturing in our love and service in our day-to-day living, to grow in embracing God's sovereignty in our hearts and advancing His Kingdom in the world.

SATURDAY SERVICES

Heartbeat Youth – 2:30pm (Shalom Hall) English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary) Mandarin – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

SUNDAY SERVICES

English – 8.15am & 10.45am*
(Christ Sanctuary/online)
Indonesian Fellowship – 10.45am (B402)
Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary)
Tamil – 10am (Bethel Auditorium)

Filipino – 1.30pm (Bethel Auditorium)

Regular Junior Church & Teen Encounter meeting details on next page

This Weekend's Sermons

SATURDAY, 04 Oct

2:30pm (Youth) Dead Religion to Living Faith

(Judges 2:6-10; Mark 12:18-27) Ms Jana Koh

5pm (SES): Becoming God's People Means: Persistence In Our Faith

(Joshua 11:1-9, 16-23; John 15:4-5) Dr John Lim

SUNDAY, 05 Oct

8.15am (E1) & 10:45am (E2): Becoming God's People Means: Persistence In Our Faith (Joshua11:1-9, 16-23; John 15:4-5) Dr John Lim

new to SISM?

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!



The following are the usual weekly classes for the children. Variations will be announced in the bulletin and through the teachers



Teen Encounter

(Ages 11-13)

Sat. 5pm (SES) @ B405 Sun, 8.15am (E1) @ B405

Sun, 10.45am (E2) @ B405

Email richardkwan@sjsm.org.sg for enquiries.

dunior Church SATURDAY - 5pm (SES)

Primary (7-10 yrs) @ Charis

Preschool (3-6 yrs) @ Chara

SUNDAY - 8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2)

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

Email juniorchurch@sjsm.org.sg for enquiries.

need Help?

Do connect with us in any of the following ways.

- 1. Visit/chat with a pastoral staff or request for Holy Communion (for homebound persons):
 - Email: pastoralcare@sism.org.sg call 67770934, or submit this online form https://tinvurl.com/SJSMCare3
- 2. Request for clinical counselling (for members or members to refer): https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCounsellin gReauest
- 3. Visit the Healing service Thursdays, 8pm, Chapel:

Email: sismhealingsvc@gmail.com



A Study on Becoming God's People (Exodus & Joshua)

https://vimeo.com/showcase/11517304

Lent 2025 Series

https://vimeo.com/showcase/11613057

Holv Week 2025

https://vimeo.com/showcase/11668099

A Study on Hospitality (Luke & Acts)

https://vimeo.com/showcase/10908415

HEARTBEAT services

https://tinvurl.com/3dvvbbmr

All recordings

https://vimeo.com/channels/sismchurch

This Coming Week (no registration required)

Tue, 07 Oct

11.00am Tea Terrace (Tea Terrace)

Thu, 09 Oct

- 11.00am Tea Terrace (Tea Terrace)
- 8.00pm Healing Service (Chapel)

Sat, 11 Oct

- 2.00pm Crochet Fellowship (Hospitality Lounge)
- 2.30pm **Heartbeat Youth Service** (Shalom Hall & <u>online</u>). Email <u>heartbeat@sjsm.org.sg</u> for info.
- 5.00pm Saturday Evening Service (Christ Sanctuary)

 Mandarin Service (Glory Sanctuary)

Sun, 12 Oct

- 10.00am **Vicar's Institution & Induction Service**(Christ Sanctuary & overflow venues)
 followed by a lunch reception
- 10.45am **Indonesian Fellowship** (B402)
 Email <u>sallyho@heartfriends.org.sg</u> for info.

Save These Dates!

- Oct 12: Institution & Induction of Ps Tak Meng as Vicar
- Oct 24: Church Prayer Gathering
- Nov 8: Saturday Fellowship Dinner
- Nov 28: Church Prayer Gathering
- Dec 20: Dover Celebrates Christmas
- Jun 8-11 (2026): Church Camp

NEXT WEEK'S SERMONS

Sat, 11 Oct (SES)

Prayer Focus (TBC)

Ms Brenda Goh

Sun, 12 Oct (Vicar's Induction Svc)

Running the Race with Perseverance (Jer 12:1-5; Heb 12:1-6) Revd Dr Jonathan Wong



Sermon series on the books of Exodus & Joshua

BECOMING GOD'S PEOPLE MEANS...

Seeking God's guidance in times of decision • 20 & 21 Sep Trusting in God's miraculous power • 27 & 28 Sep Persistence in our faith • 4 & 5 Oct

Understanding God's justice and mercy • 19 Oct
Guarding against complacency & continuing faithfulness
• 1 & 2 Nov

Making a decisive decision to serve the Lord • 15 Nov

INSTITUTION & INDUCTION OF PASTOR TAK MENG Sun 12 Oct, 10am | Christ Sanctuary

Next Sunday, Ps Tak Meng will be officially instituted and inducted into his ministry as Vicar of SJSM! SJSMers let's all gather together answer the Lord's call with him to fulfil the responsibility and mission of the church. Overflow venues will be arranged and a lunch catered for all.

DOVER CELEBRATES CHRISTMAS: 20 DEC, 11AM-3PM

SJSMers! DCC will be held on our premises this year! Let's all, together with all our Village partners and the Grassroots Committee, prepare to host our guests and show them some SJSM hospitality! So, mark and clear your schedules for this day! The plans are there, now we need the people to make it happen. Start praying for friends to invite, praying for the event and also sign up to serve! Let us know how you'd like to get involved at https://tinyurl.com/DCC2025Serve

JUNIOR CHURCH GAMES DAY: 4 & 5 OCT

Parents, please remember children are to be dropped off at their usual classrooms this weekend, but pick-up will be as follows:

- · Saturday (SES) from Agape Hall
- Sunday (E1 & E2) from Shalom Hall.

YOUTH CAMPS REGISTRATION

Parents please note the registration for both is now open, and both also close on 19 October!

- Heartbeat (13yrs & above) @ Majodi Campsite, Johor from 12-15 Dec. Early bird closes this Sunday. Sign up at https://tinyurl.com/SJSMHBCamp.
- TE, BB & GB (10-13 yrs) @ Girls' Brigade HQ, SG from 7-9 Nov. Reg at https://tinyurl.com/SJSMTEBBGBCamp

EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM NEEDED!

We need volunteers with medical and/or enforcement and security skills to be first responders in the event of emergencies (i.e. medical, fire, security, power outage). Training may be provided for some areas. If you are keen and willing, visit https://tinyurl.com/SJSMERTReg.

MEN4MEN: FRI, 10 OCT, 8 PM (7 PM FOR DINNER)

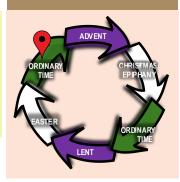
All men, 18 years and older, are welcome to attend this time of fellowship and learning. Register at https://tinyurl.com/SJSMM4MReg (by 6 Oct to be included for dinner, otherwise by 9 Oct).

CONTEMPORARY PIANO COURSE: 1 NOV, 9AM

This is an introductory course to help classical pianists to play contemporary worship songs (minimum of Grade 4 ABRSM piano required). Register by 25 Oct at https://tinyurl.com/SJSMWorshipPiano.

The Liturgical year

The Liturgical Year or the Church Calendar, was developed by the early Christians to remind us that while we move through our current timeline, we are still a part of God's missional timeline and purposes. So the liturgical year helps us to remember and relive the story of Jesus' time on earth and what was accomplished. It also reminds us that we the church, must keep our focus to fulfil God's mission in the world.



Join the Staff Team

- 1. Administrator, Tamil Congregation (PT)
- 2. Facilities Executive (FT)

Details at www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment

connect With Us

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

giving Tithes and Offerings

Via Bank Transfer

Name of Bank Account: St John's –

St Margaret's Church Acct #: 360-303-092-1

Branch Code: 030
Bank Code: 7375
Bank Name: UOB

Via PayNow (scan with banking app or save to use from your gallery)

UEN: T08CC4080B (T08CC4080BSJM for DBS)



Drop cheques/cash in offertory boxes at the exits (SES & E2) or the bags during E1.

MUSIC MINISTRY RECRUITMENT

Do you play a musical instrument and have a heart to serve? Our worship team is looking for musicians! **We especially need drummers and guitarists**, but all are welcome to step forward. If you feel called to use your gifts to honour God, simply click on the link to sign up: https://tinyurl.com/JoinSJSMMusicMin

WOMEN AT THE WELL: SAT 1 NOV, 9.30 - 11.30 AM Topic: Building Bridges, Not Walls

Come find out how we can communicate better to break unhealthy cycles and grow in understanding and connection with others. This event is open to all ladies 18 and above, including non-SJSMers. **Register by 27 Oct at** https://tinyurl.com/wow4com.

VICAR AWAY

Ps Tak Meng is away for preaching engagements this Saturday and Sunday at St Andrew's Cathedral.

STAFF TEAM UPDATE

We bid a fond farewell to **Francina Chan** (administrator) who retires from the staff team from 13 Oct 2025 with God's blessings for her next season.

OUR HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO...

Mary Ong. Mary's beloved husband, **Bobby Ong,** was called home to the Lord on Sun 28 Sep 2025.

BABY ARRIVAL - CONGRATULATIONS TO...

Melvin & Lindy Loh on the arrival of their 4th child, daughter **Dorothea**, on Mon 29 Sep 2025.

WEDDING NOTICES

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

KOH ZI CHUN & TEO HUI SHI

Date: 10am, 11 Oct 2025 | Venue: Glory Sanctuary

CHU JUN YUAN JAMES & LEE SHI YING

Date: 9:30am, 25 Oct 2025 | 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)		
General Fund	Jan – Sep 2025 (\$)	Sep 2025 (\$)
Budgeted collections	6,246,558	694,062
Actual collections	5,995,726	639,908
Excess/(Shortfall)	(\$250,832)	(\$54,154)

16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 141; Isaiah 49.13-23; Luke 12.1-12 COLLECT: Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of Your name, increase in us true religion, nourish in us all goodness, and of Your great mercy keep us in the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- Institution & Induction of Pastor Tak Meng (12 Oct). Praise El Shaddai for appointing Ps Tak Meng as our Vicar (Jn 15:16-17)! As he takes up the charge of shepherding SJSMV, may we celebrate with joy and commit ourselves to work together with him (Eph 4:12) to bring about God's will for our church to reach a world in need of Christ.
- Camps: Combined TE & BB/GB Camp (7-9 Nov) & Heartbeat Youth Camp (12-15 Dec). Praise El Roi, our God who sees the passionate hearts of our servers in Teen Encounter (TE) and Boys' Brigade/Girls' Brigade (BB/GB), and our youths in Heartbeat. Commit them to Him, asking His Spirit to empower and grant favour as they work on the camps. Pray for bold invitations to pre-believers and strong sign-ups to accomplish His purposes.

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

• SJSM Nursing Home (NH) & Senior Care Centre (SCC). Give thanks to God that every act of service in these ministries brings encouragement and blessing to those in need. Pray for NH residents and SCC seniors to be safe and to experience comfort through attentive care and nurturing activities. May God continue to (a) strengthen and guide staff with wisdom, patience and compassion; (b) refresh volunteers with the joy of His presence; (c) uphold next-of-kin with sustaining grace as they care for their loved ones (Jer 31:25).

OUR NATION

• Improving All Singaporeans' Lives. Call on God, the Sovereign Ruler over all nations (Ps 22:28) to sustain Singaporeans facing challenges such as rapid ageing, social stratification and rising healthcare costs. Thank Him for the initiatives of the Ministries of Health, Education, and Social and Family Development, and pray that their leaders be granted wisdom as they plan to (a) ensure affordable, accessible healthcare for all ages; (b) enhance education for students of diverse abilities; (c) strengthen family unity and social compact. May the Body of Christ arise as an icon of mercy and righteousness to showcase His glory, for He upholds those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down (Ps 145:14).

THE WORLD

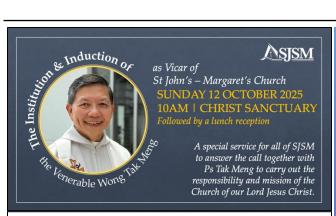
• AI & Mental Health. With the rising use of AI therapy apps and mental health chatbots, where laws lag and users face risks, call upon God, our Refuge and Righteous Judge (Ps 46:1, 9:8), to intervene in their development and deployment. Pray that He (a) awakens lawmakers to urgent action and arms regulators with wisdom to make just, timely regulations protecting those at risk and limiting exploitation; (b) strengthens developers' integrity, putting ethics above profit; (c) guards users with discernment, guiding them to Him and trusted counsel than relying solely on AI. May believers rise as voices and doers of truth, ministering to those in need.

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

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

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

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



EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM NEEDED!

Help keep SJSM safe in an emergency!

If you have medical and/or enforcement and security skills, do volunteer!

To register your interest, scan the QR code or visit tinyurl.com/SJSMERTReg.







Quick Links

COURSES & EVENTS (reg by)

- Men4Men (6/9 Oct) <u>tinyurl.com/SJSMM4MReg</u>
- Christmas Play Help (17 Oct) tinyurl.com/CmasPlayHelp
- Heartbeat Youth Camp (19 Oct) <u>https://tinyurl.com/SJSMHBCamp</u>
- TE/BB/BG Camp (19 Oct)
 https://tinyurl.com/SJSMTEBBG
 BCamp
- Worship Piano (25 Oct)
 tinyurl.com/SJSMWorshipPiano
- Women at the Well (27 Oct) tinyurl.com/wow4com

SERVE/VOLUNTEER

- Dover Celebrates Christmas <u>https://tinyurl.com/DCC2025Serve</u>
- Join Music Ministry
 https://tinyurl.com/JoinSJSMMusicMin
- Emergency Response Team <u>tinyurl.com/SJSMERTReg</u>
- Join the Choir tinyurl.com/JoinSJSMChoir
- Join Junior Church tinyurl.com/SJSMJCVolunteerInterest
- Stewardship Booklet 2025 tinyurl.com/SJSMStewardshipBk
- Jn123 Card tinyurl.com/sjsmJn123Card
- HealthTouch volunteer sjsm.healthtouch@gmail.com
- 2025 Mission Trips <u>www.sjsm.org.sg/missions.html</u>
- Village Volunteer
 http://www.sjsm.org.sg/voluntee
 r-sjsm-village.html
- Refreshments/Tea Terrace info@sjsm.org.sg

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Looking for a group to grow and serve with? Submit a form (click/scan the QR code) to request to visit or join



a group or email <u>cell@sism.org</u>.sg.

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Our campus, St. John's - St. Margaret's Village (www.sismvillage.org.sg),

comprises of the church, SJSM Nursing Home (www.sismph.org.sg),

Little Seeds Preschool (SJSM) (www.littleseeds.edu.sg),

Heartfriends Student Care Centre (https://www.sismph.org.sg/st-andrews-senior-care).