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29 & 30 August 2026

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

SAC x SVDP World Youth Day (WYD) 2027

St. Anne's Church, alongside Church of St. Vincent de Paul, will be bringing a group of youths to Korea for World Youth Day (WYD) 2027. On this pilgrimage, they will learn more about how the faith spread in Korea and the Korean martyrs. The pilgrims will experience the Universal Church as they share their stories of faith with other Catholic youths around the world.

Scan the QR code to find out more details about the pilgrimage, how you can pray for the pilgrims and join in their fundraising efforts from this weekend till early 2027.



Catholic Social Teaching by Fr David Garcia, OP

Faithfulness to the Gospel is more than going to church and being nice. We are called to build God's kingdom and transform our world. Join us as we explore how the Church's social teaching can help us put our faith to concrete practice in daily life!

The sessions begin on 28 September 2026, Monday and will run for 5 consecutive weeks.

Date: 28 Sept, 5 Oct, 12 Oct, 19 Oct, 26 Oct

Time: 8pm to 9.30pm

Venue: Fr Francisco Maia's Hall, St Joseph's Church (Victoria Street)

To register your interest, please go to <http://bit.ly/cstsep2026> or scan the QR code.



Hearts for the Lord (Day of Prayer)

Hearts for the Lord is a collaboration effort between various Religious Orders/Congregation. We welcome all single males & females Catholics aged between 18 and 35, who are open and looking to explore the possibility of a vocation to Religious Life.

Details of the recollection are as follows:

Date: 6 September 2026, Sunday

Time: 9.30am to 5pm

Venue: Kingsmead Hall, Singapore 266492

To register your interest, please scan the QR code.



Becoming Truly Myself: Praying My Personal Vocation

This retreat is a reflective spiritual retreat designed for those ready to move beyond what the world demands and embrace the unique, sacred purpose woven into the fabric of their being. This retreat uses the deep well of the Ignatian tradition to facilitate encounter and clarity through a gentle yet intentional structure of silence, prayer and reflection, moving from listening to discerning to affirming.

Details of the stay-in retreat are as follows:

Date: 12 to 13 September 2026, Saturday to Sunday

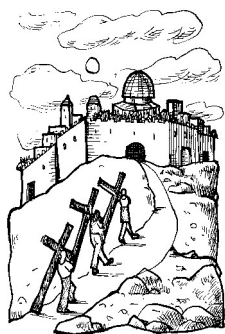
Venue: SFX Retreat Centre, Singapore 829645

To register your interest, please scan the QR code.



CHRIST WHO OVERCAME THE RELUCTANCE OF THE FLESH

It comes to us as no surprise that the Prophet Jeremiah should have felt reluctance to offer himself as a living sacrifice to God's will, because we all experience the same reluctance to accept the cross. But what consolation it is to know that Christ experienced the same reluctance of the flesh and had to struggle to overcome it.



Reflecting on the Gospel

Some years ago, a group of indigenous women in La Paz, Bolivia, reflected on today's gospel in this way: "We women identify strongly with the crucified Christ and his sufferings. There is a strong sense of submission in our Aymara and Quechua cultures. Women submit to sexual abuse from their fathers, uncles, and husbands, with a strong sense of resignation, thinking that whatever suffering they endure, they do silently and heroically, as their way of carrying the cross with Jesus" (quoted in Barbara E. Reid, *Taking Up the Cross: New Testament*

Interpretations Through Latina and Feminist Eyes).

This particular group had come through a process of learning to interpret the gospel differently, so that their consciousness of their dignity and preciousness in God's eyes had been heightened; thereafter they questioned the wisdom they had received for generations about how submitting to abuse and injustice was the way to identify with the crucified Christ. Gradually, as they claimed their dignity, they tested out new ways of relating and brought about change for themselves and their daughters. What these women came to discover was the way in which a misreading of today's gospel had obliterated their sense of self and had kept cowering in abusive relationships. How, they reasoned, could Jesus, who was so intent on listing up those who were bowed down and on healing all who suffered, have meant it otherwise for them?

One does not have to go to Bolivia to find abuse justified by such interpretations of the cross. Whether immediately visible or not, such situations can be found in almost every community. A closer look at the context of Jesus's saying reveals that he is speaking about a particular kind of suffering that his disciples must be willing to embrace: that which comes as a direct result of following his manner of life and mission. Suffering that comes from abuse and injustice is to be resisted and eradicated to the extent possible, as Jesus did throughout his ministry.

Moreover, the saying about denial of self is not referring to giving up certain pleasures, like forgoing chocolate during Lent. Rather, it refers to a disciple's choice to lose oneself entirely in Christ—to take on Christ's way of life and mission and his very identity as one's own. This identity does not center on suffering, but on the love of God, expressed through loving service to one another, intent on bringing forth life to the full for all. But not all will welcome such a manner of living and loving that undermines systems of domination and submission. The repercussions one is willing to risk for the sake of living and proclaiming the gospel—that is the cross. For these women in La Paz, a newfound understanding of the gospel was born in meetings in which they were able to join in solidarity to share their experiences to reflect together with new eyes on the Scriptures. From this grew their sense of being empowered, beloved by God, and able to choose to band together to confront and end the suffering they and others they loved were experiencing.

The Living Liturgy

CHURCH GROUNDS OPENING HOURS

Mon – Sat: 6am – 10pm;
Sun: 6am – 6pm;
Public Holidays on Weekdays:
7am – 1pm

MASS (ENGLISH)

Mon – Fri:
6.30am & 7.30pm
Sat:
6.30am & 4.30pm (Sunset)
Sun:
7.30am, 9.30am,
11.30am, 4.30pm
Public Holidays on weekdays:
8am (no evening Mass)

华文弥撒

每个月第一和第三个星期日
(主日弥撒)
下午1.30pm (圣堂内)

TAMIL MASS

Every 4th Sun of the month: 2pm

SECRETARIAT OFFICE

Mon – Fri: 9am to 6pm
2nd & last Sun of the month:
9am to 12pm
sac.secretariat@catholic.org.sg

PASTORAL OFFICE

Mon, Tues, Thu, Fri & Sat:
9am to 6pm
Closed on Wed, Sun & PH
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CATECHETICAL OFFICE

Tues & Wed: 9am – 2pm
Sat: 9am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm
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COLUMBARIUM OFFICE

Mon: 2pm to 4pm
Tues – Fri:
9am – 11.30am; 1pm – 4pm
Tel: 63863792
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COLUMBARIUM PRAYERS & MASS INTENTIONS

On the last Sunday of the month
Prayers at the columbarium
after the 11.30am Mass

CHILDREN LITURGY

Every Sun at 11.30am Mass

CONFESSIONS

20 mins before English weekend
Masses in Church

HOLY HOUR

1st Thursday of the month
8.15pm in Church

INFANT BAPTISM

12 Apr, 9 Aug & 13 Dec at 1.30pm
Applications close 1 month before
each Infant Baptism.

COUNSELLING (BY CFL)

Available for face-to-face
session in St Anne's Church every
Tues at 7.30pm & 8.45pm or via
Zoom from Mon to Sat by appt.
Tel: 66318963
(Mon – Fri: 12pm – 4pm)
<https://pbc.familylife.sg/>

BOOK & GIFT SERVICE CENTRE

Sat: 4pm – 6pm
Sun: 8am – 1pm
Contact Stephen @ 90880575