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19 & 20 September 2026

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

NOTICE: Change in Mass Timings and Weekend Confession Cut-Offs

1. Changes to Weekday Evening Mass Timings

Weekday evening Mass will be brought forward from 7.30pm to **6.30pm**.

This change will be **effective as of 26 October 2026, Monday**.

2. Changes to Weekend Confession Cut-Offs

Confessions before Mass on weekends will be adjusted to **finish by the end of the Gloria**. This change is to ensure that all parishioners are able to fully participate in the Liturgy of the Word.

This change will be **effective as of the weekend of 3 & 4 October 2026**.

St Anne's Church: Domestic Violence Awareness Talk

Our Parish Emergency Preparedness Taskforce (PEPT), together with the Singapore Police Force, is organising a Domestic Violence Awareness Talk (DVAT), which will be conducted by representatives from the Ministry of Social and Family Development (MSF).

The session aims to raise awareness about the various forms of household abuse and to provide information on available support channels and resources for those affected.

Details of the talk are as follows:

Date: 3 October 2026, Saturday

Venue: St Joachim's Hall, Level 4

Time: 10am to 11.30am

We welcome everyone to come and join in this talk. More information is available in the registration form.

To register, please scan the QR code. For all enquiries, email Daniel at sac.pept@catholic.org.sg

SCAN TO REGISTER
Registration is required.



The Search 2026: 2nd Run Registration

Our friends at the Augustine Institution have created a video-based series called 'The Search' which explores fundamental questions about God, Faith and Church. We are bringing it to our parish again for our spiritual benefit and growth and we are forming small groups to watch, discuss and truly benefit from this programme.

Dates: 19 October 2026 – 30 November 2026

The Search will be done online (Zoom) every Monday at 8pm.

To register, go to <https://bit.ly/search-sac2026-2nd-run> or scan the QR code.

The closing date for registration is 5 October 2026.

For all enquiries, email Ricky at sac.nccchairman@catholic.org.sg



CHOICE Weekend: Final Retreat for 2026

CHOICE Weekend is inviting all unmarried young adults aged between 18 and 40 to come uncover the richness or poverty of your relationships. They will be having their last retreat for the year, and details are as follows:

Dates: 23 October to 25 October

Location: ME House (Punggol)

To register, go to <https://bit.ly/ChoiceSG26> or scan the QR code.



OUR FORGIVING LORD

*We cannot celebrate today the Lord of compassion and love,
the Lord who died for us and who lives to intercede for us,
unless each of us has forgiven his brother from his heart.*



Reflecting on the Gospel

The parable in today's gospel seems so unfair. Don't people who work longer and harder deserve more pay? How can it be just that the vineyard owner pays all the labourers the same when they haven't worked the same amount of time? These troublesome questions arise when we stand in the place of those who were hired first and who worked the whole long day in the sun.

However, the comments of a woman at a recent Bible study workshop at an American parish might help us reflect on and understand this parable from a whole new angle. She was a single mother, raising three children alone after her husband deserted them. She had little education and few marketable skills. Day after day she stood in line at the unemployment office, hoping against hope for a job.

As she read the parable, she remarked that the ones standing idle all day long in the marketplace were not lazy. They would gladly have worked for anyone willing to hire them. But they were always left behind, perhaps because they were old, infirm, and unskilled, unable to work as hard as the more robust perspective workers around them. They were like her and the people who thronged to the unemployment lines these days, she said.

As she reflected on the ending of the parable, she observed that if the land owner had given the labourers that were hired last anything other than one day's wage, what good would that do? How would they feed their children? Sure, she admitted, the first hired had worked all day in the hot sun, but they also had the satisfaction of knowing all day long that at the end of the day they would be able to feed their families.

Justice, in God's reign, she proposed, is about everybody being able to eat at the end of the day, no matter what each one's capacity to work. God's justice, she advanced, cannot be earned and does not depend on how much you work.

This explanation seems to be much closer to what Jesus's original audience of people struggling to survive would have understood. The assertion of the vineyard owner that he is doing no injustice to the earlier hired workers challenges those in privileged positions to examine their sense of entitlement. Does it take anything away from the first hired if the last hired receive the same wage?

The vineyard owner's question in verse 15 points out the destructiveness of evil-eye envy in a community. The owner asks, "Are you envious because I am generous?" In the original Greek of the gospel, the sentence is literally, "Is your eye evil because I am good?" The question is about God's goodness, which is extended equally to all, and how difficult it is for us not to look enviously on goodness poured out on others, even as it has been lavished upon ourselves. Is it not, however, a great relief that God's justice does not mean that people get what they deserve?

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

CATECHETICAL OFFICE

Tues & Wed: 9am – 2pm

Sat: 9am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm

Tel: 6881 3197

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COLUMBARIUM OFFICE

Mon: 2pm to 4pm

Tues – Fri: 9am – 4pm

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COLUMBARIUM PRAYERS & MASS INTENTIONS

On the last Sunday of the month

Prayers at the columbarium

after 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

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