

Making Disciples



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Source of Living Hope

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity 15 Jun 2025

Prov 8:22-31 Rom 5:1-5 In 16:12-15

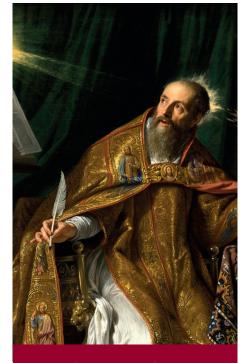
"What is God's will for me?" - This question may have popped up in our minds during unexpected moments in life. The next step may have been to search for logical explanations for its occurrence. However, if there was no concrete reason, we may be left with despair. Today's Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity reminds us to approach such matters in our lives like how we are to approach God - with faith. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches: "The mystery of the Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life ... It is therefore the source of all the other mysteries of faith, the light that enlightens them..." (CCC 234). Hence, we can look to the Holy Trinity as the perfect model for how to live life with faith to illuminate the areas of our lives that seem beyond comprehension.

Firstly, we can entrust our situation to Jesus. The Wisdom of God described in the First Reading refers to Jesus, who, together with God the Father, created the world (cf. Prob 8:29-30). Since Jesus had called us his friends earlier in John's Gospel, this love that they have for each other extends to us too (Jn 15:15; cf. Jn 16:15). Hence, we can be assured that God, who has been with us from the beginning, will never leave us. Jesus also promises his disciples that when it is too much to comprehend, he will send

the Spirit of truth to guide them (cf. Jn 16:13). This same spirit, who was given to us in Baptism and Confirmation, will guide us as long as we trust in him completely (cf. CCC 1316). Pope Leo XIV shared this sentiment during his Regina Caeli address on 25 May 2025: "This dwelling of God within us ... is precisely the gift of the Holy Spirit, who takes us by the hand and enables us to experience God's presence and closeness amid our daily lives, for he makes us his home." While we cannot predict the future, we can be certain that God dwells in us and accompanies us through the Holy Spirit.

Secondly, we can pray for the grace of humility to let go of our desire to handle the situation on our own. By faith, we can then find peace in God through Jesus Christ (cf. Rom 5:1). This peace would provide calm and strength to guide us through challenges. Additionally, we will be able to grow in endurance as we withstand such hardships, which lays the foundation of building character (cf. Rom 5:3-4). We can then experience a hope "grounded in the certainty that nothing and no one may ever separate us from God's love." (Spes Non Confundit, Pope Francis, 9 May 2024). Having this Christian hope keeps our hearts from dwelling on "what ifs" and orients it towards truth, which is all that the Spirit shares with us from the Father (cf Jn 16:15). To be enlightened by the Spirit, we need to have an active and growing relationship with God by remaining in his word (cf. CCC 2653).

Lastly, we can continue to nurture this flame of hope by being attentive to those in need. While we exist to be in a relationship with God by virtue of our Baptism (cf. CCC 1265), we are also gifts to others. With the Holy Spirit



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- St Augustine of Hippo

pouring God's love into our hearts (cf. Rom 5:5), as disciples we are also called to pour that love into others. St Augustine reiterates the importance of the Trinitarian love being visible to others: "Wherever there is love, there is a Trinity: A Lover, A Beloved, and a Fountain of Love." If we live our lives with Christian hope, others may be inspired to have hope again and search for the same hope that sustains us.

As we return to the season of Ordinary Time, let us allow the Trinity to gently lead us in the simplicity of day-to-day life, so that our lives may serve as testimonies of Christian hope.

Announcements

For announcements in the bulletin, send your requests to mmm@sfxchurch.sg by the MONDAY before the weekend, 2359hrs



SCAN OR CODE FOR MASS HYMNS www.sfxchurch.sg/mass

GIFT COLLECTION

There will be a 2nd collection for Catholic Foundation's GIFT (Giving in Faith & Thankfulness) programme. GIFT is a regular giving programme to rally support for and fund the Archdiocese's organisations and initiatives for youth, evangelisation, catechesis, formation Please bring your others. contributions or GIFT envelopes to drop them into the collection box. Visit catholicfoundation.sg to contribute online or find out more.

SSVP COLLECTION

With your kind donations last weekend, SSVP was able to raise \$11,525.20 for our Friends-In-Need. We thank you for your generosity and continued support of their activities.

CHARISMATIC

The next Charismatic Prayer Meeting is on Mon 16 Jun, 8pm - 9.30pm at the Auditorium. There will be Praise & Worship followed by a talk on 'Praying with Boldness'. All are welcome!

INTERCESSORY

Join us on Mon 16 Jun, 8pm at the Mount Tabor Adoration Room, where we will pray together in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Submit your prayer requests at <u>www.</u> sfxchurch.sg/intercessory-prayer. All prayer requests will be kept confidential.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION DINNER 2025

Support the Foundation Dinner held on Wed 22 Oct at the 15



Fullerton Hotel. This annual fundraising dinner hosted by our Archbishop, Cardinal William Goh, is fully sponsored. All funds raised from table sales and direct contributions will support the building of the Catholic Hub — our Archdiocesan spiritual oasis and a centre for forming disciples, building community and empowering mission. Scan the QR code, visit catholicfoundation.sg/cfdinner or contact 6338 0348 or cfdinner@ catholic.org.sg.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Wishing all father figures a Happy Father's Day!

'Train up a child in the way he should go' (Proverbs 22:6). May we honour and appreciate the fathers who guide and mentor us.

CORPUS CHRISTI OUTDOOR PROCESSION

There will be an outdoor procession of the Blessed Sacrament during the **5.30pm Masses on Sat 21 Jun & Sun 22 Jun**. We will walk around the church compound and end in the Main Church. In case of wet weather, there will only be Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament in the Main Church.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS/YOUTH 2025 - 2026

Do you have family/friends who may be interested in the Catholic faith or are seeking answers to the stirrings in their hearts? Invite them to the RCIA/ RCIY journey to explore the deeper questions of life. Registration forms are available on our website or can be obtained from the Parish Office.

New RCIY Journey (15 - 23 years old)

Sessions begin: Sat 28 Jun 2025

Time: 3pm - 5pm

Venue: Isaiah room (Parish Centre, Level 2) Register: tinyurl.com/SFXRCIY2025

For enquiries: 9118 2922 (Nicholas) / 9060 4326 (Renae) or email

rciv@sfxchurch.sg

New RCIA Journey (24 years old and above)

Sessions begin: Tue 1 Jul 2025

Time: 8pm - 10pm

Venue: |PII Hall (Parsonage, Level 1) For enquiries: 9626 5960 (Angela) or

email rcia@sfxchurch.sg

PARISH RECOLLECTION

In our busy lives, it's easy to lose sight of our connection with God. God's question -"Where are you?"- offers a gentle invitation to pause, reflect and recentre ourselves on him. Join Deacon Sherman Kuek for a reflection on the Luminous Mysteries, exploring what these mysteries reveal about our Catholic life and find rest in the Lord. Registration closes on **Sun 13 Jul**.

Date: Fri 25 Jul - Sun 27 Jul

Venue: SFX Auditorium (Parish Centre, Level 3)

Cost:

Register: https://tinyurl.com/SFXPR25

PIETA: JUNE PRAYER SESSION

PIETA is a support group for bereaved parents who have united in faith to seek God's comfort, wisdom and hope. A monthly session led by bereaved parents is held to pray, reflect and break open the WORD OF GOD. We invite any parent who has lost a child (regardless of age and no matter how recent or long ago) to unite with us in faith. The next monthly session is on Tue 24 Jun, 7.30pm -**9.15pm** at the Catholic Archdiocesan Education Centre, 2 Highland Road, unit LG-01, Singapore 549102 (next to the Church of Immaculate Heart of Mary). For more details, email pieta.singapore@gmail.com.

SOLEMN MASS IN HONOUR OF ST JOSEMARIA ESCRIVA

This year's Mass commemorates two milestones - 50th Anniversary of the death of St Josemaria Escriva and 100th years of his priestly ordination. The Mass will be celebrated by Cardinal William Goh at St Joseph Church (Victoria St) on **Sat 28 Jun at 12.30pm**.

CENACLE MISSION (SINGAPORE): "I AM GOD'S FIRST LOVE": PRAYING OUR BELOVEDNESS

This retreat is a journey of coming home to the reality of the First Love in our lives; that Love that has existed from eternity and abides for eternity. It is an invitation to reclaim the truth of our Belovedness. As Henri Nouwen said, "Our true spiritual work has to do with letting ourselves be loved fully, completely by God and to trust that in this Love, we come to the fulfillment of our vocation."

Date: 23 - 24 Aug

Venue: 199 Ponggol Seventeenth Ave, Singapore 829645

St. Francis Xavier Retreat Centre

Register: https://tinyurl.com/CMBeloved2025



SYMBOLON: THE FAITH OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Unlock the profound beauty and depth of the Catholic faith with Symbolon: The Faith of the Catholic Church, and delve into Catholicism's rich history, core teachings and spiritual practices.

This series, guided by the Creed, explores everything from the sacraments to inspiring saintly stories, empowering you to understand, live and share your faith confidently. The LiFE ministry will be continuing with the next seven episodes. For further enquiries, contact Brian Rezel (9789 2253) or Monica Yap (9669 6781).

• **4 Jul:** Born of The Virgin Mary

• 11 Jul: He suffered under Pontius Pilate

• 18 Jul: I believe in the Holy Spirit

• 15 Aug: Mary the Mother of God

• 22 Aug: The Sacraments

• 29 Aug: The Body and Blood of Christ

• **5 Sep:** Made for Communion

Time: Fridays, 8pm - 9.30pm

Venue: JPII Hall

Register: https://tinyurl.com/LiFESymbolon2025



CHURCH OF ST FRANCIS XAVIER - CHURCH OF SAINT BERNADETTE - CHURCH OF RISEN CHRIST

L8 Catechetical Camp from 31 May - 2 June 2025

It was not easy managing 142 teens on the premises of SFX for the L8 catechetical camp. However, nothing is impossible with GOD! 70 service team members from the three parishes dedicated their time and energy to bring an awareness of the loving heart of the Father to the teens through the Parable of the Prodigal Son, Luke 15:11-32. The Parable was broken down in the various input sessions and testimonies. Many teens had a special experience of God through reconciliation, the praying-over sessions and adoration.

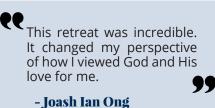


My experience at the retreat was life-changing. After the retreat, I started to see life differently and to appreciate the smaller things. I really enjoyed the praise and worship and the prayer ministry. I learned that God was and always will be there for me and I should stop relying on myself to carry my burdens as I can rely on God also.

- Dominic Chen

Before the retreat, God seemed really far away from me; I didn't think that God would want to love an imperfect child like me. However, during the retreat, through the youths' sharing, I learned that God my Father, will always love me and that I don't need to be perfect to receive His love.

- Alicia Andrews







The retreat opened my eyes to how God works in the small moments. It also helped me to realise the different ways to grow my faith in my daily life.

- Megan Yip

The L8 retreat was really meaningful as it helped me understand my faith better and grow closer to God. We had fun activities, group sharing and quiet time for reflection and prayer. I also made new friends and learned how to work as a team. One of the most special moments was during adoration, where I felt peaceful and connected to Jesus. This retreat reminded me that God is always with me, and I left feeling more confident in my faith and ready to live it out in my daily life.

- Hansel Loh

- Emily Tio



Going on this retreat was something I hadn't realised I needed until I was there. The theme, The Prodigal Son, really resonated with me. I saw myself in the story - drifting away, relying on my own strength. But through the talks, worship, silence and prayer, something shifted. I started to truly grasp that God's love isn't earned or deserved. Like the father in the parable, He's always waiting with open arms. It was a powerful reminder: no matter how far we stray, we're never beyond God's grace. I left feeling lighter, closer to Him, and more certain than ever that I'm loved just as I am.

- Theresa Alphonse Kuzhimattathil



The retreat was fulfilling and led me to be confident in my belief that God loves me no matter what and loves me for who I am, not what I do. I've grown in my faith alongside my friends and I feel excited for the next retreat.

- Rebecca Lai



Thanks to everyone who helped to organize this retreat for us. I appreciate all the facilitators who sacrificed their time to facilitate our sharing. I was also amazed by the creativity of the facilitators in teaching us about the prodigal son through games and activities!

- Zachary Tan





Looking for more information? Visit www.sfxchurch.sg!

Mass Times

WEEKDAY MASSES Mon - Thu: 6.30pm

Tue - Sat:

6.30am **Fri:** 8pm

WEEKEND MASSES Sat: 5.30pm

Sun: 7am, 9am, 11am, 5.30pm (There is currently no Confession before Mass)

MASS ON PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 9am

CONFESSION

Contact Parish Office to make an appointment. **Fri:** 4pm - 6pm

Sat: 10am - 12pm

Opening Hours

MAIN GATE

Mon - Sun: 5am - 11pm Closed on Public Holidays after 9am Mass

BACK GATE Mon - Sun: 5am - 1am

5am - 1am Closed on Public Holidays after 9am Mass

PARISH OFFICE

Mon - Sat: 9.30am - 6.30pm Sun: 8.30am - 1pm Closed on Public Holidays

ADORATION ROOM

Mon - Sun: 7am - 11pm Closed on Public Holidays

LIBRARY

Sat: 4.20pm - 5.20pm **Sun:** 8am - 1pm

COLUMBARIUM

Mon - Fri: 10am - 7.30pm

Sat - Sun: 8.30am - 7.30pm *Closed on Public Holidays*

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The sacrament can be administered to any Catholic awaiting serious surgery, suffering from serious illness or weakened by old age. Anointing may be given before admission for the anticipated medical procedure. Contact the Parish Office to request for a priest. In emergencies, priests of the church nearest to the hospital can be contacted.

INFANT BAPTISM

Spiritual preparation is held on the last Friday of every odd month.

Baptism is held on the first/second
Sunday of the following month. For registration, please refer to our website.

FUNERAL

Please check with the Parish Office for priest availability and Mass timing before confirming the timing at the crematorium. For prayers at the wake, please contact the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office
12 months before your intended date to book the church premises and ensure that your presiding priest is able to make that date.

MASS OFFERING

Mass offering envelopes are available outside the Parish Office and outside JPII Hall. Submit your envelopes at least two weeks in advance of your intended date. Please write the names clearly, and in block letters.

