



**Disciples
Making Disciples**



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New Life — New Address

The Commemoration of All the
Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
2 Nov 2025

Is 25:6-9
Rom 5:5-11
Lk 7:11-17

Someday, unless we become saints on earth, our new address will read: "Purgatory — care of Divine Mercy."

It's a sobering thought, though not without hope. There, our achievements will not impress, our titles will not matter, and our possessions will not follow. Only love will. Death strips away all illusions of self-sufficiency and leaves us face to face with the truth that everything has always depended on grace.

In life, we are given the gift of free will — the freedom to choose love or resist it. That same freedom explains why purification is sometimes necessary. God never coerces love; he perfects it. Purgatory is where mercy finishes what love began — perfecting what free will left unfinished and imperfect.

The Church sets aside All Souls' Day to remember those being perfected in that love. The purification of purgatory is not the despair of punishment, but the hope of love — a transformation that cleanses, not condemns. There, every soul is destined for heaven, though not yet ready to behold God's glory. Our prayers, Mass offerings, almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance offered for the departed reach into that refining grace, hastening their journey home (cf. CCC 1030 - 1032).

These are not mere customs but acts of communion — gestures of love that share in Christ's redemptive work. They express our hope that one day, we too will be reunited in God's presence.

In Scripture, Judas Maccabeus prays for his fallen soldiers "so that they might be released from their sin" (2 Mac 12:45). This is more than a historical account. This act of intercession proclaims that love does not die. When we pray for the faithful departed, we declare that mercy is stronger than death. Our intercession becomes a thread of grace binding heaven, earth, and purgatory into one living communion. This is the mystery of the Church — the communion of saints, sustained by the redemptive power of Christ's sacrifice (cf. CCC 946-948).

Suffering, too, belongs to this mystery. We can suffer now or later — but all suffering, when offered in love, is never wasted. It refines the soul, teaches humility, and draws us closer to Christ. The patient endurance of hardship, the quiet acceptance of trials, and the surrender of pride are already a kind of purgation on earth. To suffer well is to let God sanctify us now, shaping our hearts to mirror his own.

Humility lies at the heart of this feast. The proud strive to stand alone; the humble know they can only stand by grace. One day, we will be as helpless as the souls we now remember — unable to pray for ourselves, reliant on the mercy of others. All that we took pride in will vanish; what will endure is love.

St. Paul reminds us, "[O]ur homeland is in heaven" (Phil 3:20). We are pilgrims, not settlers. This world, with all its ambitions and anxieties,

is not our home. To live with that awareness is to walk lightly, to hold loosely to what fades, and invest in what lasts — compassion, forgiveness, mercy. These are the true currencies of heaven.

In the Gospel, Jesus is moved with compassion for the widow of Nain, who grieves the death of her only son. He touches the bier and says, "Do not weep," (Lk 7: 13) and life returns. Such is divine love — it restores, it resurrects, it transcends death itself. Our prayers for the departed, through Christ, echo that same tenderness: "Do not weep. Arise."

All Souls' Day, then, is not only a remembrance of those who have gone before us, but a call to conversion for the living. It invites us to live now as saints-in-the-making — to let suffering purify us, humility free us, and love prepare us for heaven. Free will has eternal consequences. Every act of love shapes eternity.

One day, our loved ones will pray for us. When that day comes, may our change of address be complete — from this passing world to our true home in God. May Jesus greet us with open arms and tender words: "Well done. Welcome home."



*"Purgatory is where
mercy finishes what
love began."*

Announcements

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



**SCAN QR CODE
FOR MASS HYMNS**
www.sfxchurch.sg/mass

FAULTY CHURCH PEWS?

Spot any faulty or damaged pews in church? Scan the QR code to share with us at tinyurl.com/SFXFacilityReport.



SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE GENERAL MAINTENANCE & OPERATION OF THE CHURCH

There will be a second collection this week and all funds raised will go towards the general maintenance and operation of our parish. If you would like to donate digitally, please PayNow to our UEN "T08CC4033J" and indicate in the reference 'maintenance'. Thank you for your generosity.

THANKSGIVING MASS WITH FR SHAWN WONG

Join us in a joyful celebration as we welcome back Fr Shawn Wong, who will be celebrating a Thanksgiving Mass on **Sat 15 Nov at 5.30pm**.

Additionally, Fr Shawn will be giving a first blessing after the following Masses on **Sun 2 Nov (11am & 5.30pm)**, **Sat 15 Nov (5.30pm)** and **Sun 16 Nov (9am)**.

2026 CATHOLIC NEWS DESKTOP CALENDAR SALE

The Catholic News Calendar 2026 is now available! The 2026 edition's theme 'Peace be with you' reflects Pope Leo XIV's first words to the world on his election and invites us to respond to his clarion call for harmony in a troubled world. Drop by the Parish Office to get a copy at **\$10**, while stocks last!

CHARISMATIC

The next Charismatic Prayer Meeting is on **Mon 3 Nov, 8pm - 9.30pm** at the **Auditorium**. There will be Praise & Worship followed by Praying Over. All are welcome!

INTERCESSORY

Join us on **Mon 3 Nov, 8pm** at the Mount Tabor Adoration Room, where we will pray together in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Submit your prayer requests at www.sfxchurch.sg/intercessory-prayer. All prayer requests will be kept confidential.

SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

The RCIA will be serving breakfast this Sunday at JPII Hall. Do drop by for some food and fellowship. Love offerings are welcome!

2026 CATECHISM REGISTRATION

Scan the QR Code to complete the registration form on myCatholicSG, and upload your child's Baptism Certificate. Parents are expected to be present as catechists to journey along with their children. You can now register your child born between 2019 to 2020 for the K2 and L1 Catechism sessions. **Registration closes on Fri 19 Dec 2025.**



2026 Catechism sessions are held on **Sundays, 3pm - 4.30pm**. For further enquiries, please email catechism@sfxchurch.sg or contact 9749 1635 (Dan Lai).

PARISH FUNDRAISING WALK FOR THE BUILDING OF THE CHURCH OF ST JUDE THADDAEUS

Our Parish is organising a 16km Walk from Venus Drive Carpark to the site of the future Church of St Jude Thaddaeus in Tengah on **Sat 6 Dec 2025, 6.30am - 1.30pm**.

Fund Raising

We hope to raise \$100,000 through this Walk, through sponsorship of parishioners participating in the Walk. We are all encouraged to be part of the church building project by being donors. You may make direct donations via PayNow to UEN **T08CC4033J**. Kindly indicate St Jude Thaddaeus in the 'Add a message' or 'Remarks' field.

2nd Preparatory Walk:

Seafront Boardwalk

Date: Fri 7 Nov 2025

Time: 7pm - 9pm

Meeting Point: Harbourfront MRT
(Station Exit B)

REGISTRATION

Parishioners under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.



Register: tinyurl.com/StJudeDec
Registration closes on Thu 13 Nov.

ST AUGUSTINE MUSIC MINISTRY FUNDRAISING CONCERT: FIND US READY, LORD. A CHRISTMAS OF HOPE

Join us for an evening of song and Christmas cheer as we await the coming of our Lord. All proceeds will go towards the Church of St. Jude Thaddaeus building fund. For further enquiries, please email samm@sfxchurch.sg. Book your tickets now!

Date & Time : Sat 20 Dec, 7.30pm
Venue : Auditorium, Parish Centre (Level 3)
Cost : \$30/ticket
Register : tinyurl.com/SAMMChristmasConcert2025



CTIS: EXPLORING VATICAN II TREASURES

To commemorate the 60th Anniversary of the Closing of the Second Vatican Council, the Catholic Theological Institute of Singapore shares a complimentary booklet: "Exploring Vatican II Treasures: Actors, Events, Insights" by Fr. James H. Kroeger, MM. Dive into the key moments, people, and insights that shaped Vatican II, a pivotal moment in modern Church history. Grab a physical copy from church or scan to download the booklet now!



APOSTOLATE FOR CATHOLIC TRUTH: BATTLING PORNOGRAPHY

What's wrong with pornography? How does pornography affect us and our children? How do people get addicted to it? Can we overcome pornography addiction? If so, how? And how can we protect our children from its snares? Come and find out the answers to these questions and more as we explore them through the lens of science and the Theology of the Body at this seminar on "Battling Pornography". Seats are limited. Scan the QR Code to find out more.

Date & Time : Sat 15 Nov, 10am - 4pm
Venue : CANA The Catholic Centre, Level 3
Cost : Love offering
Register : <https://tinyurl.com/battleporn-2025>



United in Love: All Saints and All Souls

This weekend, the Church celebrates two beautiful feasts that remind us we are one family of faith — the Communion of Saints.

On All Saints' Day, we honour all holy men and women who now share in God's glory — not only the famous saints with feast days, but also the countless ordinary people who lived with extraordinary love and faithfulness.

On All Souls' Day, we remember and pray for those who have gone before us — our loved ones who may still be journeying toward the fullness of heaven. Our prayers for them are acts of mercy, expressing our belief that love never ends.

As we celebrate both days, may we be inspired by the saints and strengthened in hope for our departed loved ones. Together, we walk as one Church — in heaven, on earth, and in prayer.



For All Saints Day (1 Nov):

- **Learn about a saint** — read their story and reflect on their virtues.
- **Pray for guidance** — ask saints to intercede for you in daily life.
- **Live a small act of holiness** — help someone, forgive, or show kindness.



For All Souls Day (2 Nov):

- **Visit the columbarium/ cemetery or light a candle** for loved ones who have passed on.
- **Offer prayers or Mass intentions** for the deceased.
- **Remember in daily life** — share stories and memories of them.



**HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER
INTENTION FOR THE
MONTH OF NOVEMBER**

FOR THE PREVENTION OF SUICIDE

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2025

WEDDINGS

We congratulate the following couples:

1. Samuel Daniel Kng Pin Lung & Allais Amelia Erica
2. Dinesh Nagalingam & Ethel Elizabeth Santa Maria
3. Lum Yew Keong Kenneth & Chee Shiao Tiing

CONDOLENCES

We offer our prayers for the families of the following who have returned to the Lord:

1. Terence Kang Choon Heong
2. Monica Ong Siew Eng
3. Lo Khiuk Fah Joy
4. Tan Khay Cheong Anthony
5. Vincent Chia Yeck Swee

BAPTISMS

We welcome the following:

1. Mitchell Isaac Ng Zi Yang
2. Hailie Anne Elizabeth Choo Zi Xuan
3. Gideon Lim Yuhan Isaiah
4. Yeo Hong Yi Connor Dominic
5. Yohan Davis Raja
6. Daniel Tan Zhi Yong
7. Tan Hui Xuan Natalie
8. Ang Hui Hui Giselle

Did You Know?

The Church calls this sacred bond the Communion of Saints — the unity of the faithful on earth (the Church Militant), the souls being purified (the Church Suffering), and the saints in heaven (the Church Triumphant).



Looking for more information?
Visit www.sfxchurch.sg



All Souls' Day November 2, 2025

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What can we do for the souls suffering in Purgatory?

*Use every other letter to fill in the blanks
and you will have a little prayer you can say for them
every day!*

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Source: <https://thekidsbulletin.com/>

Answer: *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord*

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 - 11pm

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 JPPII Hall. Submit your envelopes at least two weeks in advance of your intended date. Please write the names clearly, and in block letters.



**SEE SOMETHING
SAY SOMETHING**

Call **8926 5001**

Provide details of suspicious activity

Recognise suspicious activity

Be calm but vigilant (1 Peter 5:8)

Behaviour of persons

Gender
e.g. male, female
Age
estimated
Build
e.g. tall, skinny
Skin tone
e.g. fair, asian



Colour / Length of hair
e.g. black, short
Facial features
e.g. beard, piercings
Colour / Type of clothes
e.g. blue shirt, black pants
Colour / Type of bag
e.g. grey sling bag
Other features
e.g. cap, sunglasses, tattoos

Unattended items



e.g. grey car
parked
haphazardly



e.g. black bag at
church entrance



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