

**SAT, 28 DEC
& SUN, 29 DEC 2024**

Saturday services

Heartbeat – resumes in Jan 2025
English – 5pm (Christ Sanctuary & [online](#))
Mandarin – 5pm (Glory Sanctuary)

Sunday services

English – 8.15am (Christ Sanctuary),
10.45am* (Christ Sanctuary & [online](#))
Mandarin – 10am (Glory Sanctuary)
Tamil – 10am (Bethel Auditorium)

Junior Church & Teen Encounter
details on next page

► **THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS.**

The Church remains in a state of celebrating and honoring Christ's birth beyond just Christmas day. In these twelve days, we take time to cherish and contemplate the gift of Jesus to reconcile us to the Father and meditate on the gift and graces Christ brings to us in His coming.

THIS WEEKEND'S SERMONS

SAT, 28 DECEMBER 2024

5pm (SES) The boy Jesus (Lk 2:41-52) by Revd Dino Thangamany

SUN, 29 DECEMBER 2024

8.15am (E1) & 10.45am (E2)

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NEW TO SJSM?

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!



CLASSES RESUME NEXT WEEKEND

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.

JUNIOR CHURCH

Sat - 5pm (SES)

Primary (7-10 yrs) @ Charis

Preschool (3-6 yrs) @ Chara

Sun - 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.

Are you in need of Pastoral Care and/or Counselling?

Prayer for healing, and other forms of pastoral care are available.

1. Call 6777 0934, or
2. Email pastoralcare@sjsm.org.sg or counselling@sjsm.org.sg

If you are **homebound** and require **Holy Communion**, please fill in a form by scanning the QR code below or visiting <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMCare3>



CATCH IT AGAIN

Advent 2024

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/11476964>

A Study on Hospitality in Luke

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/10908415>

A Study on Hospitality in Acts

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/11070356>

All/Other services

<https://vimeo.com/channels/sjsmchurch>

HEARTBEAT services

<https://tinyurl.com/3dvvbbmr>

SCHEDULE FOR THE COMING WEEK

Tue, 31 December (New Year's Eve)

8.00pm **English Holy Communion Covenant Service**
(Christ Sanctuary)

10.00pm **Tamil Holy Communion Service** (Bethel Auditorium)

Thu, 2 January

2.00pm **Seniors' Fellowship**
(Bethel Auditorium; email mich@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

Sat, 4 January

5.00pm **English Service & Hi-5** (Christ Sanctuary)

Mandarin Svc (Glory Sanctuary; email sjismc@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

Sun, 5 January

8.15am **English Svc** (Christ Sanctuary)

10.00am **Mandarin Svc** (Onsite @ Glory Sanctuary;
email sjismc@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

Tamil Svc (Bethel Auditorium;
email solomon@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join)

10.45am **English Svc** (Christ Sanctuary;
live-streamed via [SJSM Facebook](#), <https://vimeo.com/event/741245>, and
www.sjsm.org.sg/online.html)

Indonesian Fellowship (B402;
email sallyho@heartfriends.org.sg for more information or to join)

1.30pm **Filipino Service** (Bethel Auditorium;
email juanita@sjsm.org.sg for more information)

Misc. details

Sermon info

Vision Weekend

"Becoming: His people, His Village" (Is 43:18-21; Lk 5:36-39)
by Revd Victor Teo

Cell Groups

Looking for a group to grow and serve with? Scan/Tap/Click the QR code below to join a cell group!



Questions? Write to us at cell@sjsm.org.sg



VISION WEEKEND

"Becoming: His people, His Village"
(Isaiah 43:18-21; Luke 5:36-39)
by Revd Victor Teo

NOTICES

THANKSGIVING

We give thanks for the many who raised their hands at the Gospel services this past week! We also give thanks for the many who offered their time and energy to make the year-end services very special! Your efforts - big and small - served our SJSM community and guests well!

BUSINESS AS MISSION (Central & SE Asia focus)

Date & Time: 18 January 2025, 9am – 6pm

Calling working professionals and business people – come and learn how to use your expertise and resources to fulfil the Great Commission! Register at [https://tinyurl.com/SJSMBizMission2025!](https://tinyurl.com/SJSMBizMission2025)

4 & 5 JAN - VISION WEEKEND & INTERGEN PLEDGE

Two things will happen next weekend at our first services of 2025. Firstly, Ps Victor's sermon will share the vision for SJSM for 2025. Secondly, we will take a pledge together with parents of children in our community, to help care and watch out for these young ones in their spiritual growth. Do come and start 2025 together next weekend!

HI-5 STARTING IN JANUARY 2025

"Heartbeat is at 5" (aka Hi-5), will be when the Heartbeat youth will join SES on the 1st or 3rd Saturday each month at 5pm instead of their usual 2.30 pm service. We look forward to serving with them and receiving Holy Communion together as the wider SJSM family.

NEW DATES - MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT RETREAT 2025

Date & Venue: 9 - 11 May | Grand Paragon Hotel, JB

Cost per person: \$270 (after 15 Jan, \$330), reg closes 3 Mar + \$40 for 2-way transport (optional)

Speaker: Rt Revd Dr Chris Chia

This retreat aims to enrich your marriage over a time of Spirit-filled messages, heartfelt conversations, spiritual nurturing, and practical skills alongside fellow couples journeying together in life. For more details, visit

<https://www.sjsm.org.sg/mer.html> or register at <https://tinyurl.com/SJSM2025MER>.

2025 MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (7 Saturdays)

Dates & Time: Mar 1, 8, 15, 29 & Apr 5, 12 (9am to 2pm) & Apr 26 (9am to 6pm)

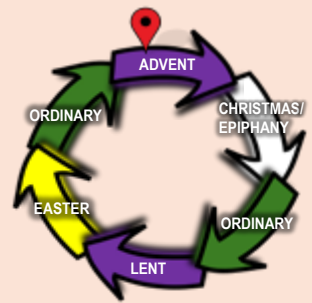
Cost per person: \$100 (SJSMer)/\$150 (non-SJSMers)

This course is required for couples intending to marry in SJSM and recommended for couples exploring marriage.

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/MPC2025SJSM>. For enquiries email flm@sjsm.org.sg

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 fulfill God's mission in the world.



JOIN OUR TEAM

1. Group Administrator, Operations & HR (FT)
2. Team Lead, Information Technology (FT)
3. Assoc Chaplain, Chaplaincy (PT)

Details at
www.sjsm.org.sg/recruitment

CONNECT WITH US BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Write to info@sjsm.org.sg to furnish us with relevant 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@sjsm.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

UEN: T08CC4080B



Via cash and cheques

Cheques and cash may be placed directly into the offering boxes at the exits. Tithing does not require an accompanying member's stewardship number.

HOLY COMMUNION CHANGES IN 2025

Due to the pandemic, the self-intinction method of administering Holy Communion was removed to still make it possible to take the elements during that time. We thank God for seeing us through the pandemic and so starting this weekend we will return to the self-intinction method with same hand sanitizing practices in place. In doing so, we will join in with the Diocesan-wide practice of receiving Holy Communion in this manner.

GETTING READY FOR CNY 2025!

Chinese New Year starts on 28 Jan! We will be going into Dover and Ghim Moh Link again to bless the residents with gift packs from 17th January onwards. For this time, distribution will be done by zones and the respective ministries, more details will be available in the coming weeks. In the meantime, do pray and be ready to offer some of your time to take part in this outreach!

HEALING SERVICE

This weekly service will not meet on Thursday 2 Jan 2025 and will resume meeting weekly, every Thursday, from 9 Jan 2025 at the Chapel, 8pm. All are welcome to receive ministry and prayer. For more information, email: SJSMChurchHealingService@gmail.com.

SENIOR'S FELLOWSHIP

Senior's Fellowship will resume on Thur, 2 Jan 2025. Contact mich@sjsm.org.sg for more information or to join. If you appreciate the elderly, you're also welcome to join!

WEDDING NOTICES

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

ANDREW ONG ERN KUANG & GRACE ONG EN-NING

Date: 10am, 11 Jan, 2025 | **Venue:** Christ Sanctuary

JOSHUA TOH YIH FENG & LIM YUAN JING

Date: 10am, 18 Jan, 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)

| | Jan–Nov 2024 (\$) | Nov 2024 (\$) |
|--|-------------------|---------------|
| General Fund (Budgeted collections) | 7,388,092 | 671,645 |
| General Fund (Actual collections) | 7,129,521 | 625,366 |
| Excess / (Shortfall) | (258,571) | (46,279) |

PRAYER @ SJSM

1ST SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

LECTIONARY READINGS: Psalm 105:1-11; Isaiah 41:21-42:1; 1 John 1:1-7

COLLECT: Almighty Father, whose Son Jesus Christ was presented to You in the Temple and acclaimed the glory of Israel and the light of the nations: grant that in Him we may be presented to You and in the world may reflect His glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SJSM VILLAGE (SJSMV)

OUR PARISH

- **Thanksgiving.** (a) Give thanks to God for His special presence at the Christmas Gospel Services. Pray for good follow-up with all our guests, especially those who responded to the Good News. May they experience the power of God's love that sets the captives free to live abundant life (Jn 10:10). (b) Give thanks to God for His faithfulness in shepherding us through our peaks and valleys over the past year (Jer 29:11; Ro 8:28). May daily remembrance of His goodness fortify our hope in His promises as we enter 2025.
- **Covenant Renewal.** May the Spirit enable sincere and joyful renewal of our commitment to live as disciples of Christ. Pray for a fresh move of God to empower godly responses to His voice, that we may experience spiritual breakthroughs in the coming year, growing in our love for God, in Christ likeness, and in fruitfulness.

OUR EXTENDED COMMUNITY

- **A Welcoming Village.** Give thanks to God for blessing SJSMV with fruits of radical hospitality in 2024. May we continue to grow deeper in the Lord of Welcome, that His overflowing love may express His welcome through us as His body. May visitors taste the goodness of God in SJSMV and seek to know the One who extends His embrace.

OUR NATION

- **Shalom Singapore.** Give thanks to God for His blessings over Singapore, including the smooth premiership transition in 2024. May negative incidents (maritime collisions, SQ321 severe turbulence, etc) and other growing concerns (terrorism and cybersecurity threats, etc) serve to remind of our nation's dependency on God's mercy. May the Church respond to the wakeup call to stand in the gap to repent for the sins in the land and to intercede that Singapore may enter her Antioch calling. Pray especially for (a) the coming General Election – the timing, process, and outcome; (b) racial and religious harmony to keep the nation united against divisive influence and terrorism; (c) protection over our national security - military, border, cyber, economic, environmental; (d) our government to be righteous and strong, endowed with supreme wisdom in making key decisions that shape the trajectory of the nation; (e) revival and great harvest – especially amongst our youths, to quicken the birth of a massive Joshua generation that is fervent for the divine destiny of our nation and for the Great Commission (2 Ch 7:14; Ps 24:6).

THE WORLD

- **World Peace.** Pray that 2025 will see the heads of states working constructively towards achieving peaceful and reasonable resolutions to the military conflicts in the Middle East and Ukraine. May the Spirit open the way for those suffering in the war zones to find relief from their prolonged pain, and to encounter the Prince of Peace, their living hope (1 Pet 1:3). Pray for the Church worldwide to be awoken to the urgency to pray and to return to godly living that magnifies the Gospel in times of increasing darkness.

DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER

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

PRAYER & INTERCESSION MINISTRY

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

**JUNIOR CHURCH
& TEEN ENCOUNTER**
resume on 4/5 Jan!



See you soon!



JC is for children from 3 to 10 years old. Registration is required if your child has never attended before.
<https://tinyurl.com/SJSMJC2025Reg>

**COVENANT
SERVICE**

2024

TUESDAY

31 DECEMBER

8PM

**BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION
COURSE 2025**

2 Feb - 4 May (10-sessions)
1.30-3.30pm (Sundays)



BAPTISM SVC:
29 & 30 Mar, 2025
CONFIRMATION SVC:
18 May, 2025

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMBapConf2025-1> or email ce@sjsm.org.sg for info.

**"GRASPING
HIS LOVE"**

EPH 3:14-21 &
JOHN 13:31-35

BY REVD VICTOR TEO

Please come early and be prepared with something in mind you are thankful for in 2024.

During the pre-service segment, we will collectively share these thanksgivings to God (digitally!).

Business as Mission (BAM)

Business to Fulfil the Great Commission
(Central Asia & South East Asia Focus)

Calling working professionals and business people. Come and learn how to use your expertise for missions.

Join us at St John's - St Margaret's Church
30 Dover Ave, S139790
Saturday 18 Jan, 2025
from 9 am to 6 pm

Please do not circulate this flyer on social media.

Scan for more info and to register!



<https://tinyurl.com/SJSMMission2025>

KNOW THE WORD

Jeremiah & Lamentations

11 FEB - 22 APR 2025 (10 SESSIONS)
7.45 - 9.45 PM (TUESDAYS)



INSTRUCTORS:
BP RENNIS PONNIAH (JEREMIAH)
&
DR LOW KEE HWA (LAMENTATIONS)



Register at <https://tinyurl.com/SJSMKTWJerLam> or email ce@sjsm.org.sg for info.

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The Most Revd Dr Titus Chung

Assistant Bishop
Rt Revd Low Jee King

Archdeacon of Singapore
Ven Daniel Wee

Vicar
Revd Victor Teo

Clergy
Ven Wong Tak Meng
Revd Dino Thangamany
Revd Thong Tang Hiong
Revd Solomon Periyamayakam
Revd Calvin Tan
Revd Vincent Hoon (auxiliary)

Deaconesses
Ds Bessie Lee
Ds Laura Chan (auxiliary)



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