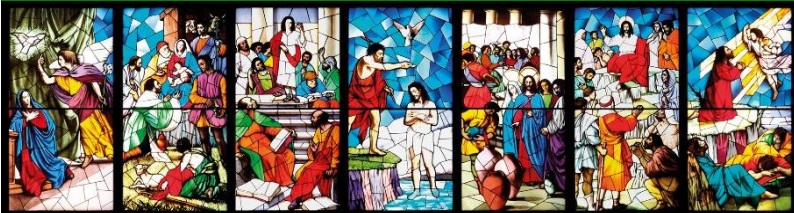




# Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, 10 September

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## Mass Timings

### Weekday

6:30am; 6pm

### Saturday

6:30am; 5:30pm

### Sunday

6:45am; 8:30am (Mandarin);  
10:15am; 12pm & 5:30pm

## Parish Office

### Monday - Friday

9am - 6pm

### Saturday/Sunday

9am - 1pm

### Public Holidays

Closed

## Columbarium

### Monday - Friday

9am - 6pm

### Saturday

10:30am - 6pm

### Sunday

Open during Mass timings

### Public Holiday

Closed

## Weddings

Wedding bookings to be made  
1 year in advance. Please  
enquire at the Parish Office.



## Celebrating Catholic Education Sunday

### Infant Baptism

Saturday, 21 Oct

Application forms can be found at foyer.  
Please submit all documents to Secretariat  
by 29 Sept.

# Sunday Meditation

## 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Ezekiel 33:7-9; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9; Romans 13:8-10;

Matthew 18:15-20

*Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matthew 18:18)*

Jesus' words sound familiar, don't they?

That's because two Sundays ago, we heard him say the same thing to Peter. Then, Jesus was giving Peter the keys to the kingdom and establishing him as leader of the Church (Matthew 16:18-19). Along with that position, he was giving Peter a specific ministry that came with a special authority and grace: the power to bind and loose. That ministry continues today in Peter's successors.

In today's Gospel, however, Jesus seems to be doing something different. He's speaking to all his disciples, and he extends this call to bind and loose to all of them—and in a way, even to us.

While most of us aren't priests who hear confessions, we are all called to forgive. Jesus wants us to understand that both our forgiveness and our failure to forgive have an effect on people. By our words and the thoughts in our hearts, we can keep someone bound in condemnation or judgment. But we can also "loose" them by forgiving them. And forgiveness always releases people from the chains of guilt or shame. This means that we can help them experience the freedom that Jesus wants for them. We can continue his "ministry of reconciliation" in our corner of the world (2 Corinthians 5:18).

How amazing that Jesus trusts us to share in this sacred calling! He doesn't want anyone to remain trapped in sin or in unforgiveness. He knows the danger that sin poses to our souls. That's why he urges us to "cut off" and "throw away" anything in our lives that

leads us astray (Matthew 18:8). That's why he never stops seeking after his lost sheep (18:10-14). And that's why he calls us to forgive "seventy-seven times . . . from [our] heart" (18:22, 35). Because as we forgive people who sin against us, we won't just be freeing them. We'll be "loosing" ourselves from those chains, too.

*"Jesus, help me to forgive today."*

*Reflection from Word Among Us*

## Parish Activities

### Sunday (10 Sept)

4:00pm – 5:00pm : Legion of Mary  
for children  
(Mother of Holy  
Innocents)

### Monday (11 Sept)

7:30pm – 9:30pm : Jesus Youth  
7:45pm – 9:30pm : RCIA Mandarin

### Tuesday (12 Sept)

7:30pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin  
(天主之母)  
8:00pm – 9:00pm : Christian  
Meditation

### Wednesday (13 Sept)

9:00am onwards : Church cleaning  
(by Willing  
Hands)  
10:00am – 12:00pm : JOY for the  
elderly

### Thursday (14 Sept)

9:30am – 12:00pm : Mandarin Bible  
Study

## Parish News

10:00am – 11:30am : Legion of Mary  
(Mary, Full of Grace)

10:00am – 12:00pm : Catholic Praying Mothers

7:30pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary  
(Our Lady of Charity)

7:45pm – 9:30pm : RCIA

8:00pm – 9:30pm : Lectors

8:00pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin  
(圣母升天)

### Friday (15 Sept)

7:15pm – 9:15pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin  
(圣母领报)

8:00pm – 9:30pm : Divine Mercy  
Devotion

### Saturday (16 Sept)

9:00am onwards : Church Cleaning  
(by Willing Hands)

10:00am – 12:00pm : Holy Trinity  
Youth

1:00pm – 2:30pm : Legion of Mary  
(Mary, Star of the New  
Evangelisation)

3:30pm – 5:00pm : Legion of Mary  
(Queen of Angels)

5:30pm – 9:30pm : Couples for  
Christ: Christian  
Life Program

7:30pm – 9:30pm : Neo-  
Catechumenal  
Way Mass

### Other Timings

Rosary Prayer

Weekdays: 5:25pm @ Chapel

Saturday & Sunday: 4:55pm @ Main  
Church

### **Catholic Education Sunday 2023**

This weekend, the Archdiocese celebrates 171 years of Catholic Education in Singapore with the theme “Catholic Education: To Love, Dignify, Serve and Lead”. There will be a Prayer of Blessing for Catholic educators for all Masses.

### **Infant Baptism**

Infant baptism will take place on Saturday, 21 Oct. A compulsory preparatory session for parents and godparents will be on Saturday, 14 Oct. Application forms can be found in the foyer. Kindly submit all documents to the secretariat by 29 Sept.

### **Lectors Recruitment**

The ministry is recruiting. Please scan the QR code to register your interest or contact the parish office at 6784 2332 or [htadmin@holytrinity.org.sg](mailto:htadmin@holytrinity.org.sg).



### **Choir Recruitment**

Lend your voices as singers, or pianists/organists, in praises to God. Have a chat with the members at the foyer this weekend.

### **Hospitality Ministry Recruitment**

The ministry is recruiting for Sunday's 12:00pm Mass. Find out more from the Hospitality Ministers at this Mass's timing on Sunday, 10 Sept, at the foyer.

## Archdiocese Events

### **Evening of Prayer with the Songs of Taizé**

Saturday, 30 Sept

8:00pm to 9:30pm

Church of St Teresa, 510 Kampong Bahru Rd

Come and pray together as an Archdiocese for the Synod of Bishops and Christian Unity. No prior registration is required.

### **Christ @ Work x Young Stewards Conference 2023**

Saturday, 14 Oct

9:00am to 6:00pm

St Joseph's Institution, 38 Malcolm Rd



How can we be joyful at our workplace? Fr David Garcia, OP and Mr Alex Yam will explore this year's theme "Joy at Work; Work in Love". Jointly organised by Catholic Business Network and Catholic Foundation. Please scan the QR code or visit [www.bit.ly/cwyse23](http://www.bit.ly/cwyse23) to register.

### **Watchmen Retreat**

Thursday to Monday, 2 to 6 Nov

Majodi Centre, Johor



Come away with Jesus at this semi silent retreat. Learn how you can anchor your faith and be a disciple who stays vigilant. Please scan the QR code or visit <https://bit.ly/wmretreat23> to register.