



# Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity

15<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, 16 July 2023

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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.



“Others fell on rich soil and produced  
their crop, some a hundredfold, some  
sixty, some thirty.”

Matthew 13:8

### Hour of Prayer

Monday, 17 July, 8:00pm  
@ Chapel

### Infant Baptism

Saturday, 19 Aug  
Please submit all documents to parish  
office by 28 July.

## Sunday Meditation

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Isaiah 55:10-11; Psalm 65:10-14; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-9

... *the one who hears the word of the kingdom. (Matthew 13:19)*

What was “the word of the kingdom” that Jesus refers to in today’s Gospel passage (Matthew 13:19)? Simply this: “The kingdom of heaven is at hand” (4:17). It’s the “word” that Jesus proclaimed when he launched his public ministry. He had come to usher in God’s kingdom, and he wanted his disciples—and all of us—to help it expand and grow and bear fruit. So let’s look at this familiar parable of the sower and the seed from the perspective of bearing fruit for God’s kingdom.

Jesus doesn’t want us to be the seed that falls on the path—the people who never really understand the scope of God’s call to them. Our faith isn’t just a matter of following a set of rules. Jesus invites us to something greater: cooperating with him in making his kingdom a reality wherever we live and work. And if we think we aren’t worthy or talented enough, he wants us to recognize that those thoughts are from the evil one!

Jesus also warns us not to become the seed that falls on rocky soil—those who feel overwhelmed by the hardships and sacrifices involved when we say yes to God’s call. He knows that we can persevere only when we are rooted in him and focus not just on the difficulties but also the blessings of following him.

Finally, taking up Jesus’ call to bear fruit for his kingdom means making it the most important priority in our lives. He doesn’t want us to be like the seed among thorns and let other concerns distract us from his own concerns.

Today at Mass, ask yourself, How is Jesus calling me to bear fruit for his kingdom? How will I respond? Remember, you’re not on your own! Jesus is with you always, giving you the grace day by day to help you make his heavenly kingdom a reality, right where you are!

*“Jesus, help me to understand how I can bear fruit for you.”*

#### Reflection from Word Among Us

## Parish Activities

### Sunday (16 July)

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

### Monday (17 July)

7:45pm – 9:30pm : RCIA Mandarin  
8:00pm – 9:00pm : Hour of Prayer

### Tuesday (18 July)

7:30pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin  
(天主之母)  
8:00pm – 9:00pm : Christian  
Meditation  
8:00pm – 9:00pm : Pastoral Care for  
the Infirm

### Wednesday (19 July)

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

### Thursday (20 July)

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

- 10:00am – 11:30am : Legion of Mary  
(Mary, Full of Grace)
- 7:30pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary  
(Our Lady of Charity)
- 7:45pm – 9:30pm : RCIA English
- 8:00pm – 9:30pm : Lectors
- 8:00pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin  
(圣母升天)

### **Friday (21 July)**

- 7:15pm – 9:15pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin  
(圣母领报)
- 8:00pm – 9:00pm : Divine Mercy  
Devotion

### **Saturday (22 July)**

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

### **Other Timings**

Rosary Prayer

Weekdays: 5:25pm @ Chapel

Saturday & Sunday: 4:55pm @ Main  
Church

## **Parish News**

### **Infant Baptism**

Infant baptism will take place on Saturday, 19 Aug. There will be a compulsory preparatory session for parents and godparents on Saturday, 12 Aug. Registration closes on Friday, 28 July.

### **Christian Life Program**

Saturday, 22 July, 5:30pm  
@ Room 19

Inviting all singles and couples, 21 years old and above, to a renewed understanding of God's call as individuals and Christian couples. Sign up at [rebrand.ly/E1CLP2023](https://rebrand.ly/E1CLP2023)

## **Archdiocese Events**

### **SFX Major Seminary Annual Vocation Retreat**

Friday to Saturday, 11 to 13 Aug  
Montfort Retreat Centre,  
622 Upper Bukit Timah Rd

The seminary will be having their annual vocation discernment retreat for men 21-35 years old. This 3-day-2-night retreat serves as an excellent introduction into the life of a priest as well as the seminary. Please scan the QR code below, or follow the link to the sign-up form @

[tinyurl.com/vcaug2023](https://tinyurl.com/vcaug2023)



## **Archdiocesan Pastoral Council Intercessory Prayers 2023**

Let us come together as a diocese and pray for God's guidance as we discern a 10-year pastoral plan for the Archdiocese.

All intercessory prayers will take place on Wednesday at 8:00pm.

19 July: Church of the Sacred Heart

16 Aug: St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

20 Sept: Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace

18 Oct: Church of St Bernadette

15 Nov: Church of St Mary of the Angels

## **Spirituality for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Half of Life – The Midlife Transition**

Friday to Sunday, 8 to 10 Sept

Venue: La Salle House

For ages between 40 to 60 years old. Facilitated by Sr. Linda Lizada from Cenacle Sisters. From a psycho-spiritual approach, we are invited into a spiritual journey as we assess how we have lived our lives up till this point, and how we would like to spend the rest of our years.



## **Rest, Relish & Recharge! By the Beach**

Thursday to Sunday, 21 to 24 Sept  
Bintan (Scan QR code for venue)

Open to everyone above 21 years old. Let's go to a quiet place and rest in the Lord. This retreat is suitable for active parishioners to grow & deepen our relationship with self and with God. Accompanied by Sr. Kriz from Cenacle Sisters and through an arrangement of leisure activities, reflection and prayer, we hope to find God in all things and time.



## **Quieting the Soul Chiangmai 2023**

26 Nov – 5 Dec

29 Nov – 5 Dec

7 Dec to 13 Dec

Seven Fountains Retreat Center  
Chiang Mai, Thailand

By Cenacle Sisters and Team. A silent 8 day or 5 day retreat set in the beautiful environment of the retreat center in Chiang Mai.

Closing date: 15 Sept or when slots are filled.

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