

# Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity

24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, 17 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

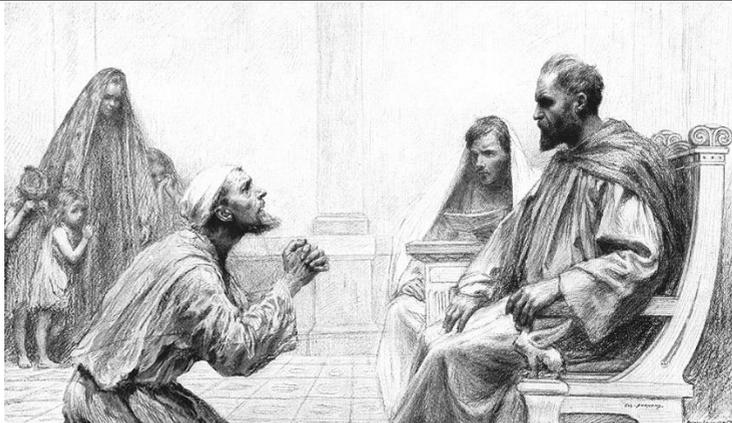
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### Public Holiday

Closed

## Weddings

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



“Lord, how often must I forgive  
my brother if he wrongs me?”

Matthew 18:21

### Hour of Prayer

Monday, 18 Sept  
8:00pm @ Chapel

### Infant Baptism

Saturday, 21 Oct

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

# Sunday Meditation

## 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Sirach 27:30–28:7; Psalm 103:1-4, 9-12; Romans 14:7-9;

Matthew 18:21-35

*Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?*

*(Matthew 18:33)*

People saddled with impossible debt, desperate pleas for more time, threats of imprisonment and even torture—why did Jesus tell such an upsetting parable? To help his disciples understand the need to show mercy when someone sins against them.

Peter's question started it all: "How often must I forgive?" (Matthew 18:21). It was understandable. Shouldn't there be a limit to how often we should forgive, especially repeated offenses? An honest look at ourselves might help us see the answer. How often do *we* go to the Lord asking for mercy for the same sins again and again? We would never want him to tell us we have reached our limit. Thankfully, he never does; he repeatedly forgives us.

Not only does God forgive us again and again; he doesn't hold our sins against us. Remember the unforgiving servant. His entire debt was wiped out. There was nothing hanging over him. Similarly, God has pardoned every sin we have ever committed and stands ready to forgive every sin we will ever commit. Nothing is outside the scope of his mercy. He forgives us *everything*.

This is the standard of mercy that Jesus calls us to imitate. It's not so different from the Lord's Prayer: "Forgive us . . . as we forgive" (Matthew 6:12). Granted, today's parable is more graphic. But it shows us that God doesn't want us imprisoned in unforgiveness and tortured by resentment. He knows how hard it is to forgive. But he went so far as to give us his only Son to

cleanse us and soften our hearts so that we could share that same mercy.

Mercy goes beyond simply not punishing offenses. It forgives the entire debt. That's how God treats us. Let that truth change how you treat the people who offend you.

*"Heavenly Father, strengthen me to be able to forgive others as you have forgiven me!"*

*Reflection from Word Among Us*

## Parish Activities

### Sunday (17 Sept)

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

### Monday (18 Sept)

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

### Tuesday (19 Sept)

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

### Wednesday (20 Sept)

9:00am onwards : Church cleaning  
(by Willing  
Hands)  
10:00am – 12:00pm : JOY Ministry,  
for the elderly  
7:30pm – 9:30pm : Charismatic  
Prayer Group

### Thursday (21 Sept)

- 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)
- 8:00pm – 9:30pm : Society of St  
Vincent de Paul

### Friday (22 Sept)

- 7:15pm – 9:15pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin  
(圣母领报)
- 8:00pm – 9:30pm : Divine Mercy  
Devotion

### Saturday (23 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

## Parish News

### **Hour of Prayer**

Monday, 18 Sept

8:00pm @ Chapel

Come and pray together for the  
universal Church.

### **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**

Do you feel a stirring for the word of  
God? The ministry is recruiting, speak  
with the lectors at the foyer this  
weekend. 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).



## Archdiocese Events

### ACMI Migrant Sunday

#### Food & Funfair

Sunday, 24 Sept

8:30pm to 1:00pm

St Joseph's Church (Bukit Timah)

620 Upper Bukit Timah Rd

All are welcome! Be part of this celebration that recognizes the contributions of our migrant brothers and sisters in Singapore. Experience the richness of different cultures through food, performances and unique stories.

### 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/cwysc23](http://www.bit.ly/cwysc23) 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.