



Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity

4th Sunday of Advent, Year C, 22 Dec 2024

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Mass Timings

Weekday

6:30am; 6pm

Saturday

6:30am; 5:30pm

Sunday

6:45am; 8:30am (Mandarin);
10:15am; 12:00pm and 5:30pm

Public Holiday

9am

Parish Office

Monday - Friday

9am - 6pm

Saturday/Sunday

9am - 1pm

Public Holidays

Closed

Columbarium

Every day

6:30am - 6pm

Public Holiday

Closed by 10am

Church Wedding

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

A Message
of Love

4TH SUNDAY
OF ADVENT



“Of all women you are the most blessed,
and blessed is the fruit of your womb.”

Luke 1:42

Hour of Prayer

23 December, Monday, 8:00pm, Chapel

Christmas Eve Mass Timings

24 December, Tuesday

6:30am, no 6:00pm Mass

10:15pm (Caroling), 11:00pm (Christmas Mass)

Christmas Day Mass Timings

25 December, Wednesday

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

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Micah 5:1-4;

Hebrews 10:5-10;

Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19;

Luke 1: 39-45

*Mary . . . entered the house of Zechariah.
(Luke 1:39, 40)*

When you think of the Visitation of Mary, which is described in today's Gospel reading, you normally think she's going to see Elizabeth—and she is. But Zechariah was probably there as well, even though he would have been a silent presence. Just think how his inability to speak might have heightened his perception of what was going on around him. While we have no record of Zechariah's experience, we can imagine what this visit might have been like for him.

When Zechariah first saw Mary, worn from the journey but alive with excitement and hope, perhaps his heart leaped for joy just as his son did. Imagine his tired face and furrowed brow softening into a warm smile as he welcomed their surprise visitor!

When he heard Elizabeth call their young cousin "the mother of my Lord" (Luke 1:43), Zechariah could tell that something remarkable was going on. Any shock or doubt he might have felt at hearing his wife give Mary such a title would have dissolved as he remembered the angel's promise that his son would "go before" the Lord and prepare his way (1:17).

When Elizabeth praised Mary for believing what the Lord said to her (Luke 1:45), Zechariah's own faith might have been buoyed up and his anticipation kindled. Any regret at his own response to his heavenly messenger likely faded

when he observed Mary's wholehearted surrender to the Lord's will.

Today, just a few days before Christmas, place yourself in the scene of the Visitation as a silent presence like Zechariah. Take some time to slow down your thoughts. Imagine Mary entering your house carrying Jesus in her womb. How does your heart respond to the sound of her greeting? Do you recognize Jesus in her? Can you praise God for Mary's faithful response to his word to her?

"Lord, help me to listen to what you're saying to me today."

Reflection from Word Among Us

Parish Activities

Monday, 23 December

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

Tuesday, 24 December

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

Wednesday, 25 December

Christmas Mass Timings

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

Thursday, 26 December

- 10:00am – 12:00nn : Legion of Mary
(Mary, Full of Grace)
- 7.30pm – 9.30pm : RCIA
- 8:00pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary
Mandarin
(圣母升天)
- 8:00pm – 9:30pm : Lectors

Friday, 27 December

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

Saturday, 28 December

- 8:00am onwards : Church Cleaning &
Lunch (Willing Hands)
- 1:00pm – 2:30pm : Legion of Mary
Youth (Mary, Star of the New
Evangelization)
- 7:30pm – 9:30pm : Neo-Catechumenal
Way

Other Timings

Rosary Prayer before Mass

Weekdays: 5:25pm at Chapel

Weekends: 4:55pm at Main Church

Prayer for Priests

Tuesdays: 4:50pm at Chapel

Parish News

Catechism Registration 2025

Registration for Level 1 Catechism is open for children born in 2018. Please login to your <https://mycatholic.sg> account to register.

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/L1catechism2025>

Mass Timing for 31 December 2024 and New Year's Day 2025

31 December 2024

6:30am, Daily Mass, Chapel

8:00pm, Thanksgiving Mass,
Main Church

Note: There will be no 6:00pm Evening Mass on 31 December 2024..

1 January 2025

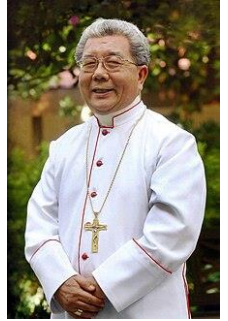
9:00am, Mass

Passing of Archbishop Emeritus Nicholas Chia

The Most Reverend Nicholas Chia has returned to the Lord on 17 December 2024, at St Theresa's Home. Let us pray for the repose of his soul and give thanks to the Lord for the gift of his life and service.

To know more about Archbishop Emeritus:

<https://www.catholic.sg/remembering-ae-nicholas-chia/>



Mass to Launch the Ordinary Jubilee of the Holy Year 2025

Date: Saturday, 28 December

Time: 6pm

Venue: Cathedral of the Good Shepherd

For more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/chancerynotice-28nov>

Retreat by Catholic Leadership Centre

Ephesians 6: Armour of God Retreat

Date: 8-9 February 2025

Venue: St Francis Xavier

Retreat Centre, 199 Punggol Seventeenth Ave

A 2D1N retreat that unpacks Eph 6:1-24, the spiritual and practical implications for leaders.



For more information:

www.catholicleader.sg