



# Catholic Church of the Holy Trinity

Baptism of the Lord, Year C, 12 Jan 2025

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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.



And a voice came from heaven: "You are my  
beloved Son; in you I am well pleased."  
Luke 3:22

## Infant Baptism

### Parents and Godparents Preparation Session

8 February, Saturday, 11am

### Infant Baptism

15 February, Saturday, 11am

# Baptism of the Lord, Year C

**Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7;**

**Acts 10:34-38;**

**Psalm 29:1-4, 9-10;**

**Luke 3:15-16, 21-22**

*Jesus also had been baptized.*

*(Luke 3:21)*

If you haven't already done it, it's time to put away those Christmas decorations. Today, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, and it's traditionally considered the end of the Christmas season. That's because, at his baptism, Jesus leaves behind his "hidden years" and launches into public ministry. And he doesn't do it with a stirring speech or an impressive display of power. Instead, he asks his cousin John to baptize him.

But why is this an important event? Because at his baptism, Jesus publicly embraces our human condition. The One who is without sin humbly accepts being "counted among the transgressors" (Isaiah 53:12). Of course, in his Incarnation, Jesus became fully man. But in his baptism, he made it clear that he was identifying himself with our full humanity, even our sin.

As Pope Benedict XVI explained in his book *Jesus of Nazareth*, "Jesus inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners." By accepting baptism, Jesus accepted his coming death for the sins of all mankind. He anticipated his submission to his Father's will during the agony in the garden, and he pointed us toward his suffering and death on the cross. Just as he would in those more painful moments, Jesus began his ministry by saying yes to his mission as the Savior of the world.

And what a Savior he is! He didn't hold himself aloof from us or save us from a position of power and glory. He emptied and humbled himself and submitted to a baptism he didn't need in order to bring us the salvation we did need. And by doing so, he sanctified the waters of our Baptism. Because of his humility, our sins can be washed away, and we can receive the grace to live as children of God.

So don't just put away your Christmas decorations today. Make sure you celebrate your salvation as well!

*"Thank you, Jesus, for embracing my humanity!"*

*Reflection from Word Among Us*

## Parish Activities

### Monday, 13 January

7:45pm – 9:30pm : RCIA Mandarin

### Tuesday, 14 January

7:30pm – 9:30pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin –  
天主之母

8:00pm – 9:00pm : Christian  
Meditation

### Wednesday, 15 January

8:00am onwards : Church Cleaning  
by Willing Hands

10:00am – 12:00pm : JOY Ministry  
for the elderly

## Thursday, 16 January

10:00am – 12:00pm : Legion of Mary –  
Mary, Full of  
Grace

7:00pm – 9:00pm : Legion of Mary –  
Our Lady of  
Charity

7.30pm – 9.30pm : RCIA

8:00pm – 9:30pm : Lectors

## Friday, 17 January

7:15pm – 9:15pm : Legion of Mary  
Mandarin –  
圣母颂报

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

## Saturday, 18 January

8:00am onwards : Church Cleaning  
by Willing Hands

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

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

## **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>

### **Catechetical Sunday 2025**

The church celebrates Catechetical Sunday on 12 January, to reflect on the role that each person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

### **Lunar New Year Mass Timings**

Eve of Lunar New Year, 28 January

6:30am, 5pm

Lunar New Year, 29 January

8:30am (Mandarin), 10:15am

Public Holiday, 30 January

9am

### **I Am Made For More by Catholic Family Life**

1, 8, 15, 22 February

10:30am – 12:30pm

Room 19

For ages 15-23 years old



How does focusing on truths about human dignity, respect and the natural inclination for sexual honesty promote authentic freedom? For registration, please scan the QR code.

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Session

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1. Application forms are available at foyer TV and notice board area.
2. Application form must be submitted with all supporting documents.
3. Please submit by 1 February to the Parish Office.

## Archdiocese Events

### **Surviving Divorce #18 by Catholic Family Life**

21 January – 29 April  
Every Tuesday, 8pm – 10pm  
Combination of Zoom and physical  
sessions at Church of the Holy Spirit

Find comfort and counsel consistent with  
Catholic Church teachings. Registration  
and more information at

<https://www.catholicdivorce.sg/events>

### **Start of School Mass by Office for Young People**

25 January, Saturday  
10:30am – 12:30pm  
Office for Young People,  
2 Lorong Low Koon

For students studying A-level/IB,  
Poly/ITE/Private Diploma. Kick off your  
school year with Mass and a strong  
foundation in Christ and his love. Sign up  
at <https://tinyurl.com/oypschemass25>

### **Heart-To-Heart Conversations with Cardinal William Goh:**

**“Marriage? Relevant? Impossible?”**

2 February, Sunday  
7:30pm - 9:30pm  
Cathedral of the Good Shepherd,  
Annex Level 3

Limited seats available, indicate your  
interest by 17 January at

<https://go.catholic.sg/htth-marriage>

### **Retreats by Cenacle Sisters**

*1. Friendsgiving:  
Praying Our Friendships*  
21–23 February 2025  
Bintan



This retreat explores the importance of  
friendship in our lives and spirituality.  
Each retreatant is encouraged to come  
with a friend.

*2. Quieting the Soul*

7–9 March 2025  
St Francis Xavier  
Retreat Centre,  
199 Punggol Seventeenth Ave



A 3-day silent retreat, suitable for busy  
people and those who desire to  
experience solitude with the Lord.

For registration and more information,  
please scan the respective QR codes.