

The Ethos Annual Lecture 2023 will be delivered by his Eminence Cardinal William S.C. Goh on 17 November 2023. The theme of the lecture is 'The Culture of Death', an expression which is found in Pope John Paul II's 1995 encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae*. This lecture explores those aspects of modern culture which violate the dignity and sanctity of human life such as abortion, euthanasia and war.

To register for this lecture, please click this [LINK](#).

Celebrate Christmas in Singapore (CCIS): 2023 is the 20th Anniversary of CCIS and "we will be at Orchard Road from Saturday, 16 December to Friday, 22 December to share the true meaning of Christmas to our fellow Singaporeans, foreign friends working in Singapore and tourists". You can be a partner in sharing the Christmas Story in December in the following ways:

1. Pray for CCIS
2. Bring your friends to Orchard Road to hear the Christmas Story.
3. Send a group to perform (16 - 22 December 2023)

Here is more information on how to support Celebrate Christmas in Singapore [LINK](#).

From the Commissioner of Charities (COC) for your consideration:

1. **Disclosure Regime.** The COC invites churches to note the amendments to the Charities (Fund-raising Appeals for Local and Foreign Charitable Purposes) Regulations 2012 which will give effect to the Disclosure Regime. Staff involved in fund-raising matters are encouraged to view the training slides of the Disclosure Regime found on the Charity Portal where useful resources are made available. More information such as the FAQs and sample templates relating to the Disclosure Regime can be found here [LINK](#).
2. **DAI.** The COC invites churches to participate in the Non-Profit Digital Acceleration Index (DAI) Survey. The aim of the survey is to gauge the digital maturity of Singapore's non-profit sector. We encourage you to complete the survey by 26 September 2023. Participating churches and organisations will receive an individualised report on the digital maturity of your church and organisation alongside a comparison of results with your peers, sometime between November 2023 and January 2024.

You may submit your responses to the DAI survey by clicking on this [LINK](#). If you have enquiries regarding the survey, please refer to the [FAQ](#).

NCCS E-Newsletters (past issues): Since March 2021 NCCS has served churches in Singapore through its monthly e-newsletters. It is our hope that senior pastors receiving it will share the relevant and helpful information with their church leaders. If you wish to read past issues of NCCS e-newsletters, please visit this [LINK](#).