

CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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Parish Office Hours: 9am - 5pm (Tuesday - Friday)
 9am - 1pm (Saturday & Sunday)
Monday Closed

PARISH PRIEST:
 Rev. Fr. Michael Raymond OFM.Cap



2021 THEME - HOPE: BELIEVE, LIVE, AND GIVE
MAY THEME: TOGETHERNESS IN GOOD TIMES AND BAD



PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8

Pentecost day is the birthday of the Church. On the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descended with power upon the Apostles in the form of tongues of fire and thus began the mission of the Church in the world. Once they received the Spirit, they went out boldly and preached to all in Jerusalem and elsewhere. Jesus himself prepared the Eleven for this mission, appearing to them on many occasions after his Resurrection. He gave them their mission: "As the Father has sent me, so I sent you."

We too share the same mission as the Disciples. He then breathed on them just as God breathed on the earth and created the first human being. The breathing also symbolizes the Spirit of God and of Jesus. He said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." It was the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead. It was the Spirit who opened the minds of his disciples and helped them understand the meaning of His death. When He was raised up to glory at the right hand of the Father, Jesus poured out the Spirit on those who were to carry on His mission. The Holy Spirit descended on the apostles, individually and collectively. Filled with the Holy Spirit, they began their mission. It is the same Spirit that descends on us at our Baptism and Confirmation. The Spirit is not given for a moment but accompanies us on our journey in the footsteps of Jesus. The Spirit gives us power to participate in the work of Jesus in our daily life.

St. Paul talks about the fruits of the Spirit (Gal 5:22); Firstly, **Wisdom** – desire for the things of God, and to direct our whole life and all our actions to His honour and glory. Here we see God at work in our lives and in the world.

Second, **Understanding** – enables us to know more clearly the mysteries of faith. It perfects a person's speculative reason in the apprehension of truth.

Third, **Counsel** – warns us of the deceits of the evil one, and of the dangers to salvation. With the gift of right judgment, we know the difference between right and wrong, and we choose to do what is right.

Fourth, **Fortitude** (courage) – With the gift of courage, we overcome our fear and are willing to take risks as a follower of Jesus Christ. It strengthens us to do the will of God in all things.

Fifth, **Knowledge** – With the gift of knowledge, the Spirit enables us to discover the will of God in all things.

Sixth, **Piety** (Reverence) – With the gift of reverence, sometimes called piety, we have a deep sense of respect for God and the church.

The seventh gift, **Fear of the Lord** (awe of God) – With the gift of wonder, prayerful respect and awe we are aware of the glory and majesty of God. A person with such awe and wonder has perfect knowledge, perfect goodness, perfect power, and perfect love.

The feast of Pentecost is culminated with the sending of the Spirit of the Father and the Son on His disciples. This feast indicates the extraordinary intervention of God into our lives by which Jesus makes us partakers in the mystery of the Trinity. The feast of Pentecost indicates that it is an on-going reality, which still touches our lives every single day. Let us reflect upon the purpose of the Holy Spirit in the Church that guides and teaches us according to the purpose for which He has been sent. Through the power of the Spirit, we ask for the grace to be forgiven and the grace to forgive others. Today Jesus fills us with the same Spirit to send us out on His mission to preach, reconcile and to heal.

REFLECTION MATERIALS

Daily Reflection on Word of God (Lectio Divina)

<http://cdm.my/bec-reflection/>

Year of St Joseph

The Year of St Joseph (8 Dec 2020—8 Dec 2021) was decreed by our Holy Father, Pope Francis, to mark the 150th anniversary as Universal Patron Saint of the Church so that "every member of the faithful, following his example, may strengthen their life of faith daily in the complete fulfillment of God's will." Prayers and other resources about St Joseph can be found on the website:

<https://cdm.my/year-of-st-joseph>

- **STOP & PRAY @ 8.05pm everyday** wherever you are.
- **POST & PRAY** for all intentions on the **Wall of Prayer**.
- **READ & SHARE** the Word of God **daily**
- Pray the **ROSARY** during *May, Month of the Rosary*

| MASS & PRAYER TIMES | DAY | DESCRIPTION |
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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | | Pentecost Sunday |
| Rosary 8.30am | SUN | <i>Ac 2: 1-11</i> |
| Mass * 9.00am | 23 May | <i>1 Cor 12: 3b-7, 12-13</i> |
| | | <i>or Gal 5: 16-25</i> |
| | | <i>Jn 20: 19-23</i> |
| | | <i>or Jn 15: 26-27; 16: 12-15</i> |

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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | MON | Our Lady, Mother of the Church |
| Mass * 7.00am | 24 May | |

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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | TUE | St Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor |
| Mass * 7.00am | 25 May | St Gregory VII, Pope |
| | | St Mary Magdalene de' Pazzi, Virgin |

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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | WED | St Philip Neri, Priest |
| Mass * 7.00am | 26 May | |

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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | THU | St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop |
| Mass * 7.00am | 27 May | |

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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | FRI | |
| Mass * 7.00am | 28 May | |

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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | SAT | St Paul VI, Pope |
| Mass * 7.00am | 29 May | |

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| <i>LIVE Streaming</i> | SUN | Trinity Sunday |
| Rosary 8.30am | 30 May | <i>Deut 4: 32-34, 39-40</i> |
| Mass * 9.00am | | <i>Rom 8: 14-17</i> |
| | | <i>Mt 28: 16-20</i> |

*Live Streaming of Masses on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/cdmgarapp/>

MCO 3.0 : 10 MAY - 6 JUNE 2021

As per government SOP, all CDM church-based meetings, activities, classes and DM Chaplet gatherings will cease during this period.

Mass will continue to be live-streamed on Facebook;

Monday—Saturday: 7.00am

Sunday: 8.30am Rosary/DM Chaplet followed by Mass

To arrange for homebound anointing and Communion, please contact the Parish Office: **04-646 6881**

Tue—Sun; 9am—1pm.



CDM compound is a **Non Smoking Zone**

PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Catholic Engaged Encounter

We pray for the couples who are attending an online Marriage Preparation program from 28—30 May 2021. May the Lord guide them in all the decisions that they make for their joined future with God as centre.

Crime Awareness Programme

By criminal defense lawyer, Anbanathan Yathiraju and organized by the Penang Diocese Prison Ministry for secondary students, young adults and parents.

Date/Time: **Sat, 22 May @ 2.00—3.30pm**

Zoom Meeting ID: 873 9466 0398

Zoom Passcode: Freedom

MERCY in this time of Pandemic

Looking beyond the lockdown & social restrictions during the pandemic with Fr. Michael Raymond OFM Cap.

Date/Time: **Sat, 29 May @ 9.30am—11.00am**

Open to all. Contact your BEC Leaders for the Zoom link

Marriage Preparation Courses 2021

Catholic Engaged Encounter—English

28-30 May, @ Online

27-29 Aug*, 19-21 Nov*

*venue to be confirmed

Contact: Nicholas-Christine (017-595 9790) or Bart-Angie (017-590 0978)

Marriage Preparation Weekend—Chinese

10—11 July

Venue: Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

Contact: Joachim (012-477 8319) / Cecilia(012-454 7007)

CDM Chinese Apostolate Fundraising

Rice dumplings on sale at RM10 each. Self-pickup @ CDM

Pre-order by: **Sun, 6 June**; Pick-up on: **12 & 13 June**

Contact: Ellie 012-4288629 (WhatsApp only)

T-shirts for Sales

In aid of CDM Community Hall and Free Learning Center.

Price: RM25-Adults, RM22-Kid, RM8 delivery fees (WM)

Kindly contact: [cdmtshirt.order@gmail.com/](mailto:cdmtshirt.order@gmail.com)

012-4288629 (Whatsapp only)

Psalms: The School of Prayer

Presented on video by Jeff Cavins, Sarah Christmyer and Dr Tim Gray.

Dates/Times: (Tuesdays) 29 June—7 Sept

8.15pm—10.15pm or

(Thursdays) 1 Jul—9 Sept

9.45am—11.45am

Online registration: shorturl.at/npFX6 (by **Thur 24 June**)

Contact: Jeanne J Saw (Whatsapp: 016-4554597)