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2021 THEME - HOPE: BELIEVE, LIVE, AND GIVE
JUNE THEME: BRIDGING CULTURAL BOUNDARIES

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS .....

Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?
Mark 4: 41

The gospel this weekend is an experience of being in a boat that reveals and teaches us something about the journey of faith and Christian discipleship. A small boat on a vast and sometimes dangerous sea, at the mercy of the unpredictable elements, is an image of our Christian journey, our Christian community and the Church. To make progress on our journey, we must grow in our understanding of Jesus Christ and our faith in him. The Gospel reading is short, but it includes four questions, which can guide us as we ponder the fundamental elements of the journey of faith.

The first question the disciples ask Jesus: ***"Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?"*** *These seasoned fishermen know that they are in danger. A violent storm has engulfed them, and large waves are starting to swamp their boat. Sometimes our life is beset with such storms, times of danger, confusion, pain and anxiety. To make matters worse, at such times it can seem to us that God is paying no attention to us. He is asleep! We may be tempted to conclude that he does not care about us. Fear threatens to paralyze us and cripple our faith.*

The second question in the Gospel is put by Jesus to his disciples: ***"Why are you terrified?"*** *He has just calmed the storm, producing an amazing change by the power of his words. It seems that he is asking them why they are still afraid, now that they are no longer in danger. Perhaps the more complete form of the question could be: "Why are you terrified when I am here with you?" The implication is that they should not have been so terrified in the first place; they should have put their trust in him. The Lord puts this question to us today. He asks why we are terrified. Do we trust in his presence and his power to save us?*

The third question is closely related to the second, in a sense a continuation of it. Jesus asks: ***"Do you not yet have faith?"*** *We cannot be true disciples without faith! With the lens of faith, we can see Jesus Christ "asleep on a cushion" not as a sign of his neglect but as an image of his sacrificial death that saves us all. This conviction of faith is based on the "love of Christ," which now "impels us" much more powerfully than fear does.*

The final question in the Gospel comes once again from the disciples: ***"Who then is this whom even wind and sea obey?"*** *They are now no longer questioning whether Jesus cares; rather, they are in awe of God's marvellous ways. They have moved from primal fear to fear of the Lord. Recognizing God's absolute power over nature is part of the journey of discipleship. When they see Jesus display such power right before their eyes, they realize they are encountering divine power at work in him, on their behalf, and they are moved to faith.*

In my faith journey, do I turn to the Lord when I am beset with anxiety and fear? Does the love of Christ impel me much more powerfully than fear? Do I believe that the key to growing in faith is the way of the Cross?

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

St. Joseph Prayer for Fathers

Saint Joseph, guardian of Jesus
and chaste husband of Mary,
you passed your life in loving fulfilment of duty.
You supported the holy family of Nazareth
with the work of your hands.
Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you.
You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes.
They look to you because they know
you will understand and protect them.
You too knew trial, labour and weariness.
But amid the worries of material life,
your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy
through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you
and with Mary, his tender Mother.
Assure those you protect that they do not labour alone.
Teach them to find Jesus near them
and to watch over Him faithfully as you have done.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Written by Pope St. John XXIII

MASS & PRAYER TIMES		DAY	DESCRIPTION
LIVE Streaming **DM Chaplet** Mass *	8.30am 9.00am	**SUN 20 Jun**	12th Sunday of Ordinary Time *Job 38: 1, 8-11* *2 Cor 5: 14-17* *Mk 4: 35-41*
LIVE Streaming Mass*	7.00am	**MON 21 Jun**	St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious
LIVE Streaming Mass*	7.00am	**TUE 22 Jun**	St Paulinus of Nola, Bishop SS. John Fisher, Bishop & Thomas More, Martyrs
LIVE Streaming Mass*	7.00am	**WED 23 Jun**	
LIVE Streaming Mass*	7.00am	**THU 24 Jun**	The Nativity of St John The Baptist
LIVE Streaming Mass*	7.00am	**FRI 25 Jun**	
LIVE Streaming Mass*	7.00am	**SAT 26 Jun**	
LIVE Streaming **DM Chaplet** Mass*	8.30am 9.00am	**SUN 27 Jun**	*13th Sunday of Ordinary Time* *Wis 1: 13-15, 2: 23-24* *2 Cor 8: 7, 9, 13-15* *Mk 5: 21-43*

*Live Streaming of Masses on Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/cdmsgarapg/

REFLECTION MATERIALS

Daily Reflection on Word of God (Lectio Divina)
https://bit.ly/3xxdveT

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://bit.ly/3iOgRWs

- **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**

PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

SERVE IN MERCY

As a follow-up to the 'Mercy in this time of Pandemic' reflection last Sat 29 June, the invitation now is to move forward in reaching out with action. It is now time to set the wheels in motion *to Believe, Live and Give in Mercy.* A 'Serve in Mercy' taskforce has been set up and will be communicating essential information to all BEC & Ministry Leaders such as the objective of this initiative and driving the move to incorporate Spiritual & Corporal Works of Mercy as a core value in your community.

Visit the virtual Wall of Mercy for testimonies & prayer intentions, offerings & donations, employment opportunities & counselling assistance.

www.cdm.my/virtual-wall-of-mercy

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/
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)

Marriage Preparation Courses 2021

Catholic Engaged Encounter—English
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)