

# CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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 9am - 1pm (Saturday & Sunday)  
*Monday Closed*



**PARISH PRIEST:**

Rev. Fr. Michael Raymond OFM.Cap

**2021 THEME - HOPE: BELIEVE, LIVE, AND GIVE**  
**JULY THEME: OPEN YOUR MOUTH, DEFEND THE OPPRESSED**

## PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS .....

*"Do not be afraid: just have faith."*

**Mark 5: 36**

The gift of faith and the necessity of faith is the dominating theme of our reflections this weekend. Faith is our personal response to a God who continues to reveal himself to us and invites us to recognize his holiness and presences. The Bible shows us the many ways in which God reveals himself to humanity and invites us to respond in faith. We are in a constant relationship with a God of wonder who transforms us, heals us and removes our pains, and transforms them into joy. Faith works miracles and there are thousands of small miracles that no one notices except those concerned. Faith is like a small seed which when planted in the human heart grows slowly to yield fruit.

The Gospel this weekend consists of two related stories, with one inside the other. It is a literary art known as intercalation or sandwiching. Both stories then play off one another by parallels, contrasts, and even ironies. They are held together by theme or one of the characters in the stories. Here we have the story of Jairus a synagogue leader, pleading with Jesus to come and heal his sick daughter. His daughter is seriously ill and he wants Jesus to come and lay his hands on her "to make her better and save her life". Into this story is inserted another incident about a nameless woman long-suffering haemorrhages who secretly touches the garment of Jesus with the hope of being cured. Finally, the focus moves back to the story of the synagogue leader with a sick daughter. Jesus, who always seeks to do well to others sets out to Jairus' house and is followed by a huge crowd. Thus, reaching out to the synagogue leader who had faith in him, Jesus raised his twelve-year-old daughter back to life. Both the miracles tell us about the faith in Jesus.

What is interesting is that both the synagogue official and the woman who was sick are taken up with fear after they have approached Jesus. Still, both are convinced through faith that Jesus has the power to cure all illnesses. The nameless woman is healed of twelve years of haemorrhages, simply by touching the clothes of the Lord Jesus. Her deep faith made her well and the healing was immediate. She had endured much under many

physicians and obviously drained her of all her financial resources. Jesus was her last hope, her only hope. Nothing in the physical world could heal her. Only a miracle from Jesus did the healing for her. Jesus was there for her when she needed Him the most, after much suffering. Ultimately the synagogue official's daughter is cured as is the woman with haemorrhages. At the same time, their fear has been overcome with faith. In both cases, it is faith that brings about healing. Both stories are about more than just healing miracles. On a deeper level, both stories are telling us of Jesus granting them new life. The woman is now reinstated into the community without any hindrance and the little girl is brought back to life from death and given back to her parents. Have you reached out to "touch" Jesus? Do you experience the presence and the healing power of Jesus? The challenge for us is to continue to trust Jesus even when He seems silent or when nothing seems to be happening. Do we give up? Do we continue to ask and pray to the Lord who will give us what we need, even if it may not be the answer we hoped for?

## FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

**CDM E-Bulletin Subscription:** [cdbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:cdbulletin@gmail.com)

### Mass Intentions Submission Deadline

*Weekday mass offerings: least 48 hours in advance.*

*Weekend mass offerings: before 12pm Wednesday*

For all **Mass Offerings** & donations. Please include names of departed souls / thanksgiving / special intentions or donation details (poor, migrants, etc)

Bank Acc: **Maybank # 5073 9410 1910**

Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

Email your receipt and details to:  
[masscdmsgara@gmail.com](mailto:masscdmsgara@gmail.com)

Strictly for fundraising & monthly pledge only.

Contact Rodney (012-4015298) for any clarifications.

Bank Acc: **Maybank # 5073 9410 1643**

Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

Email your receipt and donation details to:

[divinemercygp@yahoo.com](mailto:divinemercygp@yahoo.com)

## MASS & PRAYER TIMES

### DAY

### DESCRIPTION

*LIVE Streaming*  
**DM Chaplet** 8.30am **SUN** 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
**Mass \*** 9.00am **27 Jun** *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/cdmgarap/>

*LIVE Streaming*  
**Mass\*** 7.00am **MON** St Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr  
**28 Jun**

*LIVE Streaming*  
**Mass\*** 7.00am **TUE** SS. Peter and Paul, Apostles  
**29 Jun**

*LIVE Streaming*  
**Mass\*** 7.00am **WED** First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church  
**30 Jun**

*LIVE Streaming*  
**Mass\*** 7.00am **THU** **01 Jul**

*LIVE Streaming*  
**Mass\*** 7.00am **FRI** **02 Jul**

*LIVE Streaming*  
**Mass\*** 7.00am **SAT** St Thomas, Apostle  
**03 Jul**

*LIVE Streaming*  
**DM Chaplet** 8.30am **SUN** 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time  
**Mass\*** 9.00am **04 Jul** *Ez 2: 2-5*  
*2 Cor 12: 7-10*  
*Mk 6: 1-6*

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## PARISH MEETINGS (ONLINE)

**Parish Pastoral Council (PPC):** Sat, 3 Jul @ 11.00am

*All meetings will be held via Zoom platform*

## 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>

## PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### RCIA #8 2021-2022

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults will be starting on **Sun, 4 July @ 11.00am—12.30pm**. For more information, please contact Sandra (016-4612934).

### SERVE IN MERCY: Update

Believing & Living in Mercy truly shone through each and everyone who heeded the call to Serve in Mercy. This week alone (*up to 19 June*), we have received funds & dry goods enough to support 46 families and 3 homes that were in need of aid during this FMCO. Your donations are much appreciated during this difficult time. The physical & virtual Wall of Mercy will continue to be updated periodically and we still seek suggestions & offerings of help in any way. Keep your eyes and hearts peeled open; seek out the lost, lonely, & those with little.

Virtual Wall: [www.cdm.my/virtual-wall-of-mercy](http://www.cdm.my/virtual-wall-of-mercy)

If you're struggling to put food on the table or know of someone who is, let us know: <https://bit.ly/3wWh3r1>



### 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: [cdmshirt.order@gmail.com/](mailto:cdmshirt.order@gmail.com)

012-4288629 (Whatsapp only)

### 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)

- **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**