

# CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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**Parish Office Hours:** Closed on Monday



9am - 5pm (Tuesday - Friday)  
 9am - 1pm (Saturday & Sunday)

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

**CDM KAMPUNGKU: FEBRUARY 2022**  
*See In Mercy : Mercy Stories*

## PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS .....

*"Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch. (Luke 5:4)*

We have seen in the past two Sundays how Jesus was violently rejected by his neighbours in Nazareth. We now find him moving to Capernaum and continued to perform exorcisms and healing miracles. We find in the narration that as the crowds pressed around Jesus, he gets into Simon's empty boat and set his sight on Simon, a fisherman who has failed to catch any fish. This humiliating moment of failure, in Jesus' eyes provides an empty space both in the boat and in the heart of the fisherman which he can enter and fill with his life-giving word. God often allows such moments of "emptiness" in our lives, when we may feel discouraged or humiliated, because they give him space to reveal something new and better. The havoc caused by the pandemic, with the shutting down of businesses and the disruption of social life, has provided many of us with the space necessary to receive a new proclamation of the word of God, and even a new and better direction in life.

In the midst of his preaching and teaching, Jesus turns his full attention to Simon. We can imagine the many things going through Simon's mind: "This is the teacher who healed my mother-in-law yesterday. Why did he get into my boat? Just to address the crowd? Is he addressing me too? Wait, now he wants me to put out into the deep? What does he know about fishing? Does he know that I have laboured all night? I know these waters. If I didn't catch anything last night, I won't be able to now..."

Although Simon cannot see any logic in Jesus' instruction to "put it into the deep", he transcends the limits of his own reasoning by making an act of faith. This decision makes even more space in Simon's life and yields extraordinary abundant results. He catches more fish in one cast than he had ever caught in a whole night. He sees immediately he is in the presence of the Divine and recognizes his unworthiness, "Depart from me Lord, for I am a sinful man."

Pope Francis writes in this week's Spiritual Reflection that the Lord's call "to go out into the open sea of the humanity of our time, in order to be witnesses to goodness and mercy, gives new meaning to our existence." First, we must empty our lives or allow the Lord to empty us from inordinate attachments. We must be like that empty boat in which God's voice can resound. Second, we must do what the Lord says, no matter how illogical it may seem. This requires an act of trust that the Lord knows better than we do what needs to be done. Third, we need to humbly recognize our unworthiness before the tremendous grace of the Lord. Finally, we must strive to make our response to grace prompt, persevering, and total. The result of our cooperation with grace is an abundant catch, not of fish, but of the many souls whom God is drawing to himself through us.

*What are the inordinate attachments I must let go of to heed the call of the Lord? In moments of "emptiness", how do I cope with the humiliation of being able to do nothing? Acknowledging my unworthiness, what is my interior reaction to my call?*

## FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

**CDM E-Bulletin Subscription:** [cdmbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:cdmbulletin@gmail.com)  
**BEC CDM Kampungku:** <https://bit.ly/3xxdveT>

### Mass Offerings Submission Deadline

*Weekday mass offerings: at least 48 hours in advance.*  
*Weekend mass offerings: before 12pm Wednesday*  
 Drop Mass Intention envelopes into the Mass Offering Box located next to ground floor office or submit to Church Admin at the 1st floor office.

For online submission, please email receipt & details (names of departed souls, thanksgiving or special intentions) to [masscdmsgara@gmail.com](mailto:masscdmsgara@gmail.com)  
 Bank Acc: **Maybank # 5073 9410 1643**  
 Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

### Fundraising & tithes/pledges

For online transfers, please email receipt & details to [divinemercygp@yahoo.com](mailto:divinemercygp@yahoo.com)  
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**MASS & PRAYER TIMES** DAY DESCRIPTION

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

MASS & PRAYER TIMES	DAY	DESCRIPTION
<b>DM Chaplet</b> 8.30am <b>Mass (LIVE)</b> 9.00am	<b>SUN</b> <b>6 Feb</b>	<b>5th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8 1 Cor 15: 1-11 (or 15: 3-8, 11) Lk 5: 1-11
No Mass	<b>MON</b> <b>7 Feb</b>	
Lauds 6.20am Mass (LIVE) 6.45am <b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm	<b>TUE</b> <b>8 Feb</b>	St Jerome Emiliani, St Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
Lauds 6.20am Mass (LIVE) 6.45am <b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm	<b>WED</b> <b>9 Feb</b>	
Lauds 6.20am Mass (LIVE) 6.45am <b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm	<b>THU</b> <b>10 Feb</b>	St Scholastica, Virgin
Lauds 6.20am Mass (LIVE) 6.45am Wedding Mass 10.30am <b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm	<b>FRI</b> <b>11 Feb</b>	Our Lady of Lourdes
<i>~30th World Day of Prayer for the Sick~</i>		
Lauds 6.20am Mass (LIVE) 6.45am Wedding Mass 10.30am Novena to OMPH 5.15pm Mass 5.30pm	<b>SAT</b> <b>12 Feb</b>	
<b>DM Chaplet</b> 8.30am <b>Mass (LIVE)</b> 9.00am	<b>SUN</b> <b>13 Feb</b>	<b>6th Sunday of Ordinary Time</b> Jer 17: 5-8 1 Cor 15: 12, 16-20 Lk 6: 17, 20-26

## PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Wedding Banns

**Fri, 11 Feb 2022 (10.30am)**

We pray that the Spirit of Life & Love bless this couple with kindness to nurture each other and patience to persevere through conflict.

Promise of Marriage between:

**Danaprekash Francis & Dr. Jamunarani Murugesan**

*"If anyone knows of any canonical impediments to the proposals of marriage stated, please contact the parish priest."*

**Sat, 12 Feb 2022 (10.30am)**

We pray that the Spirit of Life & Love bless this couple with kindness to nurture each other and patience to persevere through conflict.

Promise of Marriage between:

**Erwin A/L Santha Kumar & Dishaalini A/P Ganesan**

*"If anyone knows of any canonical impediments to the proposals of marriage stated, please contact the parish priest."*

**Sat, 19 Feb 2022 (10.30am)**

We pray that the Spirit of Life & Love bless this couple with kindness to nurture each other and patience to persevere through conflict.

Promise of Marriage between:

**Kenneth Loh Wen Jian & Ooi Wen Yun**

*"If anyone knows of any canonical impediments to the proposals of marriage stated, please contact the parish priest."*

### CDM Charismatic Renewal Group

Once known as CDM Intercessory Prayer Group, the first meeting after the relaunch will be held on **Wed, 9 Feb @ 8.30pm** at St Faustina Hall. Join us if you wish to deepen your relationship with God.

### Discovering Christ

The first part of ChristLife series for non-Catholics & those from other beliefs to explore the meaning of life & to find out more about God from the Catholic perspective.

8 sessions from 8.15pm—10.00pm on **Wed, 16 Feb** and **Tuesdays** from **22 Feb to 5 Apr 2022**.

Registration: <https://forms.gle/yqcQbK4mR7iaP2cC8>

### CDM Learning Centre

*Enjoy teaching? Love kids? Join us!* We need facilitators & volunteers for our Basic Learning Skills Programme (3Rs-Reading, Writing, Math). All you need is passion & love in guiding our unique primary school learners.

### Pusat Pembelajaran CDM

*Gemar mengajar? Suka kanak-kanak? Sertai Kami!* Fasilitator & sukarelawan diperlukan untuk Program Asas Kemahiran Belajar (3M-Membaca, Menulis, Mengira) Anda hanya memerlukan semangat & kasih sayang dalam membimbing pelajar sekolah rendah kami yang unik. Start date/Tarikh Mula: **Sun/Ahad, 27 Feb @ 2.00pm**  
 Contact/Hubungi: Rowena (012-4749472)



**Daily Reflection on the Word of God (Lectio Divina)**  
<https://bit.ly/3nGTK1K>

**STOP & PRAY**  
 @ 8.05pm everyday

**POST & PRAY** for all intentions on the **Wall of Prayer.**

**READ & SHARE** the Word of God **daily**