

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: MARCH 2022
Mercy Yesterday and Today

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

*Because he clings to me,
 I will deliver him; I will set him on high.*

Because he acknowledges my name. - Psalm 91: 14

The Gospel passage for this first Sunday of Lent recounts the experience of the temptation of Jesus in the desert. After fasting for forty days, Jesus is tempted three times by the devil. The first, the path of greed for possession. He begins from the natural and legitimate need for nourishment, life, fulfilment, happiness, in order to encourage us to believe that all this is possible without God, or rather, even despite him. But Jesus countervails, stating: "It is written, "Man shall not live by bread alone." Recalling the long journey of the Chosen People through the desert, Jesus affirms His desire to fully entrust Himself to the providence of the Father, who always takes care of His children.

The second temptation: the path of human vainglory. The devil says, "If you, then, will worship me, it shall all be yours" (v. 7). One can lose all personal dignity if one achieves one's own self-affirmation. This can at times lead us to be "peacocks," to vanity, but this vanishes, for this reason Jesus responds, "You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve."

The third temptation, exploiting God to one's own advantage. In response to the devil who invites Jesus to seek a conspicuous miracle from God, Jesus again opposes with the firm decision to remain humble, to remain confident before the Father. Jesus rejects perhaps, the most subtle temptation: that of wanting to pull God to our side, asking Him for graces which in reality serve and will serve to satisfy our pride.

These are the paths that are set before us, with the illusion that in this way one can obtain success and happiness. But in reality, they distance us from God, because they are the works of Satan. Jesus, personally facing these trials, overcomes temptation three times in order to fully adhere to the Father's plan. And He reveals the remedies to us; interior life, faith in God, the certainty of his love, the certainty that God loves us, that He is our Father, and with this certainty, we will overcome every temptation.

*Why do I search for true happiness in earthly possessions?
 Why do I want to be admired and considered important in the eyes of others? During this Lent, how will my prayer enable me to cling to God and draw closer to him?*

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

CDM E-Bulletin Subscription: cdmbulletin@gmail.com
BEC CDM Kampungku: <https://bit.ly/3xxdveT>
Mass Collections (Sat, 26 & Sun, 27 Feb): RM3,405.10

Mass Offerings Submission Deadline

Weekday mass offerings: at least 48 hours in advance.
Weekend mass offerings: before 12pm Wednesday
 For online submission, please email receipt & details (names of departed souls, thanksgiving or special intentions) to masscdmsgara@gmail.com

Bank Acc: **Maybank # 5073 9410 1910**
 Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

Fundraising & tithes/pledges

Envelopes will not be distributed via BEC anymore to reduce paper waste. If you wish to have an envelope to place your pledges, please request from the Parish Office.

For online transfers, please email receipt & details to divinemercy@yaho.com

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MASS & PRAYER TIMES DAY DESCRIPTION

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

DM Chaplet	8.30am		1st Sunday of Lent <i>Deut 26: 4-10</i> <i>Rom 10: 8-13</i> <i>Lk 4: 1-13</i>
Mass (LIVE)	9.00am	SUN 06 Mar	
Tamil Mass	6.00pm		

Lauds	6.20am	MON 07 Mar
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am	

Lauds	6.20am	TUE 08 Mar
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am	
DM Chaplet	3.00pm	

Lauds	6.20am	WED 09 Mar
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am	
DM Chaplet	3.00pm	

Lauds	6.20am	THU 10 Mar
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am	
DM Chaplet	3.00pm	

DM Chaplet	3.00pm	FRI 11 Mar
WOTC (LIVE)	8.00pm	
followed by Mass		

Lauds	6.20am	SAT 12 Mar
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am	
Novena to OMPH	5.15pm	
Mass	5.30pm	

		2nd Sunday of Lent
DM Chaplet	8.30am	SUN 13 Mar
BM Mass (LIVE)	9.00am	

Gen 15: 5-12, 17-18
Phil 3: 17-4: 1
Lk 9: 28b-36

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

Lent Reflections
 As we enter into Lent, take time each day to grow in your faith with these daily reflections:
<https://www.theprodigalfather.org/pray40days/>
<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html>

PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Morning Mass will resume on Mondays during this season of Lent. Make time to reconnect with God and deepen that faith relationship with [daily reflections](#).

Baptism: Sun, 6 Mar 2022 (11.00am)
 Lord, by water & the Holy Spirit, You have bestowed the forgiveness of sin & raised these children to the new life of grace. May they have a discerning heart, a spirit to love and be joyful in the wonders of Your work.

Child: Mervin Vraj A/L Zachary Raj
 Parents: Zachary Raj A/L David & Shamani Dheyi A/P Tanasekaran
 Godparent: Sebastian Raj A/L David

"Together We Restore"
 A formation by Fr. John Anandan OFM.Cap followed by Mass in Tamil will be held at CDM
 Date/Time: **Sun, 6 Mar @ 5.00pm**

Lenten Campaign 2022
"Together We Restore, Renew, and Rebuild"
 Lenten baskets have been prepared at the Garden of Mercy for parishioners to donate canned, dried foodstuff and adult diapers for the poor and underprivileged. Lenten envelopes and flyers are also available at the church entrances.

Prayers & Meditation
 If you're looking to deepen your faith and relationship with God, come and explore the many ways you can grow spiritually in our Parish.
 Date/Time: **Wed, 9 Mar @ 8.30pm**
 *Charismatic Renewal Group @ St Faustina Hall
 *Christian Meditation @ 3rd floor classrooms

Formation: "A Walk thru the Mass"
 By Fr. Michael Raymond OFM. Cap, open to all physically at CDM as there will be no live-streaming for this formation. Liturgy members are strongly encouraged to attend.
 Date/Time: **Sat, 12 Mar @ 9.30am - 11.30am**

CDM Learning Centre (Pusat Pembelajaran CDM)
 If your child struggling in primary school or finding the 3Rs—Reading, Writing and Math challenging, let them join our Basic Learning Skills Programme.

Adakah anak anda menghadapi kesukaran Membaca, Menulis & Mengira (3M) di sekolah rendah? Daftarkanlah anak anda dengan Program Asas Kemahiran Belajar kami dan dengan rasa prihatin & kasih, izinkan kami membantu mereka mencintai pembelajaran.

Date/Time: **Sun, 6, 13, 20, 27 Mar @ 2.00pm**
 Venue: CDM Classrooms
 Contact: Yiing Jia (012-4793586)



Click on [CDM Penang's linktree](#) or scan the QR code for the e-Lenten Card and other parish updates.
 Pindai kod QR atau [klik pautan](#) untuk dapatkan e-kad Pra-Paskah dan maklumat paroki terkini.

