

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: APRIL 2022
Mercy Revealed

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

My God, my God, why have You abandoned me? -Ps 22:1

The liturgy of Palm Sunday gives us abundant material to ponder for this week as we step into Holy Week. The liturgy presents us with opposite extremes, from joyful acclamations at Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem to humiliation, betrayal, and brutal torture. We are being invited to ponder in our hearts the depth of the paschal mystery as we journey with Jesus through these holy days. In the celebration at Jerusalem this weekend we find that Jesus is looking far beyond temporal human affairs. His arrival is not meant as a threat to the Pharisees or to the Romans. What his disciples are proclaiming is true: the king of Heaven is here!

The jubilation of Palm Sunday quickly shifts to a sombre focus on the Lord's gruesome Passion and Death. We are invited to penetrate more deeply the love and mercy that moves him to accept his sufferings. In his Passion narrative, Luke includes several tender and merciful moments shown by the suffering Christ. One of these is Jesus' encounter with "many women who mourned and lamented him." We can imagine how their being eyewitnesses of Jesus' sufferings moved these women to tears. Here he was, fulfilling Isaiah's prophecy that the "servant of the Lord" would suffer. Jesus was truly a man who gave his back to those who beat him and his cheeks to those who plucked his beard.

While we too mourn Jesus' sufferings, we must not miss the lesson he gave to the women. The sufferings that he endured revealed what sin does to a human person. Sin does gruesome things to our souls, putting the image and likeness of God into a lamentable state. Jesus invites us to deep sorrow for our sins and the sins of humanity. "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do." As we enter into Holy Week, we weep for our sins and reflect on Jesus Christ as our one and true Mediator.

In addition to the women, we find Jesus' interaction with another set of persons, the two criminals who were crucified with him. Criminals, then and now, are social outcasts. But Jesus shows the greatness of his mercy to them as well. After one of the criminals acknowledges his own guilt and rightly recognizes Christ's innocence and kingship, he pleads: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus assures him in the most merciful and kindest of words: "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." To be repentant of our guilt and to recognize Christ's lordship in our lives is the path that will lead us to Paradise. As we step into Holy Week and into the Way of Cross, we step into the pathway to Paradise that Jesus has opened up for us all. As we follow the Lord on his path of obedience and total surrender to the Father, we confess our faith "that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

How has the 40 days of Lent prepared me spiritually to follow Jesus to Calvary and to his death? How can I dispose myself to silent recollection during this Holy Week? In what ways am I willing to empty myself out of love for God and others?

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

CDM E-Bulletin Subscription: cdbulletin@gmail.com

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 divinemerccypg@yahoo.com
 Bank Acc: **Maybank # 5073 9410 1643**
 Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

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**

MASS & PRAYER TIMES DAY DESCRIPTION

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

MASS & PRAYER TIMES	DAY	DESCRIPTION
DM Chaplet Mass (LIVE)	8.30am 9.00am	SUN 10 Apr <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i> Is 50: 4-7 Phil 2: 6-11 Lk 22: 14-23, 56 (or 23: 1-49)
Lauds Mass (LIVE)	6.20am 6.45am	MON 11 Apr
DM Chaplet	3.00pm	TUE 12 Apr
Lauds Mass (LIVE)	6.20am 6.45am	WED 13 Apr
DM Chaplet	3.00pm	THU 14 Apr Holy Thursday
No morning Mass		
DM Chaplet Mass (LIVE)	3.00pm 8.00pm	FRI 15 Apr Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord
No morning Mass		
DM Novena & WOTC followed by Service	2.15pm	
WOTC (LIVE) followed by Service	7.30pm	
No morning Mass		
DM Novena	3.00pm	SAT 16 Apr Holy Saturday
Easter Vigil Mass with Baptism	8.00pm	
		Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection
DM Novena (LIVE) followed by Mass	9.00am	SUN 17 Apr Ac 10: 34a, 37-43 Col 3: 1-4 or 1 Cor 5: 6b-8 Jn 20: 1-9 or Lk 24: 1-12

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



[CDM Penang's linktree](https://bit.ly/3nGTK1K)

PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Palm Leaves for Palm Sunday

Please bring your own palms for blessing during the Palm Sunday Masses this weekend: Sat Sunset Mass, 9 Apr @ 5.30pm & Sun Morning Mass, 10 Apr @ 9.00am.

CDM Learning Centre (Pusat Pembelajaran CDM)

If your child is 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, 10 Apr @ 2.00pm**

Venue: CDM Classrooms

Contact: Yijing Jia (012-4793586)

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, 13 Apr @ 8.30pm**

*Charismatic Renewal Group @ St Faustina Hall

*Christian Meditation @ RCIA 3rd floor classrooms

Kursus Pra-Perkahwinan 2022

Anjuran Apostolat Bahasa Malaysia Diosis Pulau Pinang. Khas untuk pasangan yang bertutur dalam BM.

Jadual : **Jumaat, 22 Apr—Ahad 24 Apr**
Jumaat, 16 Sep—Sabtu, 17 Sep

Untuk pendaftaran & pertanyaan lanjut:

Sr. Florence (012-8484158) / Sr. Marysia (019-8732382) atau Ketua Apostolat BM CDM, Sylvia (013-4313381)

Lectio Evangelization

Insightful biblical study with practical advice for modern Catholics. Explore topics such as the call of evangelization, the power of the Sacraments, the role of charisms for building up the Body of Christ, etc.

For further enquiry, contact Jeanne J Saw 016-455 4597

Register: <https://forms.gle/G9721PD5PcoZE92WA>

Dates: Ten (10) sessions on Tuesdays from **8.15pm—10pm**

10 May - 12 July 2022

檳城夫婦恩談會主辦 ~ 華文夫婦恩談周末營

Mandarin ME Weekend

目的: 让夫妇共同经营的婚姻生活因有主的参与而变得更丰盛

日期: **13/5/22 - 15/5/22**

地点: 大山脚圣安纳堂 DOMUS

对象: 结婚三年以上的夫妇

联络: Martin & Rose 012-5045890 / 016-4416911

报名截止: 2/5/2022