

CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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PARISH PRIEST:
 9am - 5pm (Tuesday - Friday)
 9am - 1pm (Saturday & Sunday) Rev. Fr. Michael Raymond OFM.Cap

CDM KAMPUNGKU: JULY 2022
Get in Touch with God's Mercy

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

"...ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Luke 11:9

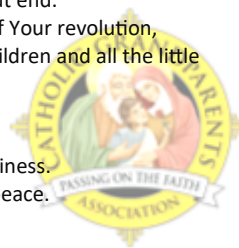
This weekend the reflection and readings are all about prayer. As we are very aware, there are many kinds of prayer, such as formal prayers like Liturgy of the Hours and the Rosary, and more informal prayers like our spontaneous petitions for others in need or our personal expressions of the pressing desires of our hearts. We are invited this weekend to reflect on the prayer Jesus taught his disciples, the Lord's prayer, the Our Father. Pope Francis in his reflection shares that the disciples of Jesus "are fascinated because they see that he does not pray like the other teachers of the time, but rather his prayer is an intimate bond with the Father, so much so that they wish to be part of these moments of union with God. How do we draw closer to the Father? It is a language that is expressed through love and strengthened by prayer. When we spend time in prayer, we begin to know God better and love him more. When we experience how he hears and answers our prayers, we grow in trust. This growth leads to prayers of praise and thanksgiving.

In the reading from Genesis, we see other types of prayer as well. First, a prayer that rises from hearts that suffer injustice in the wicked cities of Sodom and Gomorrah. The Lord refers to this as "the cry against them that come to

me." God hears and responds to the cries of the innocent, the poor, and the helpless who call out to him. The second kind of prayer displayed in the first reading is a prayer of the intercession. Abraham asks the Lord, "Will you sweep away innocent with the guilty?" He prays for the innocent with a remarkable combination of boldness and humility. The Psalms this weekend is another beautiful prayer, a prayer of thanksgiving, praise, and worship. "I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart... I will sing your praise; I will worship at your holy temple..." It is truly an expression of the heart before God. Ultimately prayer requires both patience and persistence, not because God does not hear us, but because we need space for spiritual growth. The time between our prayer and God's answer is a time of growing in trust and love. Persevering in faith throughout the "waiting period" is itself a prayer of surrender and trust in God's love and mercy. Even if we cannot perceive anything happening, the Holy Spirit is active in us when we pray, teaching us how to pray as we ought, and even making intercession for us, praying in us on our behalf. When we ask, seek, and knock in prayer, the Holy Spirit assures that we will find, receive, and have the door opened for us, the door to the heart of our loving Father.

How do I experience Jesus bringing me closer to the Father? How do patience and perseverance in prayer enable me to grow spiritually? In what ways have I experienced the fruits and graces of intercessory prayer?

Prayer for the World Day of Grandparents & Elderly
 I give thanks to you, Lord, for the blessing of a long life,
 For, to those who take refuge in You,
 Grant always to bear fruit.
 Forgive, O Lord, resignation and disillusionment,
 But forsake me not when my strength declines.
 Teach me to look with hope to the future you give me,
 To the mission you entrust to me
 And to sing your praises without end.
 Make me a tender craftsman of Your revolution,
 To guard with love my grandchildren and all the little
 ones who seek shelter in You.
 Protect, O Lord, Pope Francis
 And grant Thy Church,
 To deliver the world from loneliness.
 Direct our steps in the way of peace.
 Amen.



FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Fundraising & tithes/pledges:

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

Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

Email receipt & details to: divinemerccypg@yahoo.com

If you wish to have an envelope to place your pledges, please request from the Parish Office.

Mass Offerings

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**

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MASS & PRAYER TIMES DAY DESCRIPTION

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

DM Chaplet 8.30am **SUN** **17th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
Mass (LIVE) 9.00am **24 July** *Gen 18: 20-32*
Col 2: 12-14
Lk 11: 1-13

No Mass **MON** **25 July** St James, Apostle

Lauds 6.20am **TUE** **26 July** SS. Joachim & Anne,
Mass (LIVE) 6.45am Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am **WED** **27 July**
Mass (LIVE) 6.45am
DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am **THU** **28 July**
Mass (LIVE) 6.45am
DM Holy Hour 7.00pm

Lauds 6.20am **FRI** **29 July** Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus
Mass (LIVE) 6.45am
DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am **SAT** **30 July** St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & Doctor
Mass (LIVE) 6.45am
 Novena to OMPH 5.15pm
 Mass 5.30pm

DM Chaplet 8.30am **SUN** **18th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
Mass (LIVE) 9.00am **31 July** *Ecc 1: 2-2: 21-23*
Col 3: 1-5, 9-11
Lk 12: 13-21

Prayers & Meditation

Come and deepen your faith & relationship with God

Wed, 27 July

*Charismatic Renewal Group @ 8.15pm: St Faustina Hall

*Christian Meditation @ 8.30pm: 3rd floor classroom

Tuesdays—Fridays @ 3.00pm

*Divine Mercy prayer group @ church

Faith Sharing & Education for children

Dates: **Sundays 24 & 31 July**

Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW): 9.00am

Catechism: 10.45am

CDM Learning Centre: 2.00pm



PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Morning

Will resume on **Sun, 24 Jul** after morning Mass for the catechism children & parishioners. We welcome all parents, BECs and Ministries to volunteer prepare, serve and co-organise.

"Whoever brings blessings will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered." -Proverbs 11:25

Gotong-Royong

Let's spend some time as a community to tidy up our house of worship together. Do bring your own cleaning materials to share.

"For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building." -1 Corinthians 3:9

Date/Time: **Sat, 30 Jul @ 8.00am**

"Listen to Him"

The 25th Sacerdotal Anniversary of our Parish priest, Fr. Michael Raymond OFM. Cap will be celebrated on **Sat, 6 Aug @ 10.30am**. Please [register](#) in order to assist with the planning and preparations.

T-shirts are also being sold in conjunction with the celebration.

Herbal Soaps Moulding Workshop

Soaps produced will be given to inmates in prisons within Penang Diocese. All parishioners & friends of CDM are welcome to participate (free) and lunch will be provided.

Date/Time: **Sun, 24 Jul @ 11am—2pm**

Venue: CDM Basement

Contact: Peter Teh (012-4409103)

St. Anne's Pilgrimage by Living Spring Ministry

Registrations closed. For those who have registered, please be at church at 8.30am sharp.

Date: **Tue, 26 Jul**

Contacts: Peter (012-452 1943), Paul Lim (012-458 4512), David (012-507 8028)

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Thur, 28 July @ 7.00pm

Join us live from our Parish in solidarity with the regional initiative of the DM Apostolate Asia with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, special Divine Mercy prayers, Chaplet and Benediction.

Doa Suci Kerahiman Ilahi—Khamis, 28 Julai @ 7.00mlm
Ikutilah kami secara langsung dari Paroki CDM bersama dengan inisiatif serantau Apostolat Kerahiman Ilahi seluruh Asia dengan eksposisi Sakramen Maha Kudus, doa khas Kerahiman Ilahi, Chaplet dan Pentahtaan.

Retreat: Healing in Evangelization

Speakers: Fr. Gino Henriques & Deacon Clement Samuel

Dates: **Fri, 12 Aug - Sun, 14 Aug 2022**

Venue: Church of St. Michael, Ipoh

Fee: RM50/pax (limited to 400pax)

Registration: <https://forms.gle/cF2TQuYSgTw19tUe8>