

CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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PARISH PRIEST:

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

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Leave a sweet aroma of God's Mercy

namely, to love God with all one's being and love one's neighbour.

St. Paul states most clearly how we are to live in this world: "Seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not what is on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory." Our first concern must be for "things above," that is, becoming rich in what matters to God, which is sacrificial love in service to our brothers and sisters. The Apostle in his letter to the Colossians gives us a great insight into how we can approach this life correctly. He tells us that we "have died" and our real life is hidden. We know that after we die, our worldly possessions will be of no use to us at all. Therefore, we should live now as if we had already died with Christ, having no attachment to possessions, but only using them to bring greater glory to God and to serve others. This is what the Gospel theme for the week refers to when it calls blessed the "poor in spirit." It does not matter whether we have possessions or power in this world; what matters is how we use what we do have. If we use it in the service of God, then we may be sure that, indeed, the Kingdom of Heaven will be ours!

What are the attachments in my life that are hindering my growth in the Lord? Why am I so preoccupied with material things that I cannot take with me when I die? How am I striving to seek the "things above" and thus become rich in what matters to God?



PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven." - Matt 5:3

The theme for this week tells us, "There is nothing in the world that can fulfill us but God alone. Our daily life engagements and our wealth on earth cannot be our ultimate purpose. To grow rich 'in the sight of God' is the only truly satisfying and joyful way of life." The book of Ecclesiastes (Qoheleth) makes clear the futility of amassing wealth in this life, as he asks, "What profit comes to man from all the toil and anxiety of heart with which he has laboured under the sun?" In the end, as it points out, whatever we have acquired on earth will simply be passed on to someone else when we die. We cannot take any of it with us, nor will it count for anything in the judgment of God. Jesus likewise teaches us in the Gospel that anyone who spends his time building up wealth and power in this life is a fool. He says, "One's life does not consist of possessions." The wise person is the one who seeks to become "rich in what matters to God." Pope Francis in his Spiritual Reflection tells us about the right way for us to approach the things which we acquire in this life: "Material goods are necessary, they are goods! but they are a means to live honestly and in sharing with the neediest." In other words, our possessions are given to us so that we might use them to help us serve our brothers and sisters. It is a case of leading a life that is fulfilled not according to a worldly manner, but rather according to the style of the Gospel,

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**

Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

We accept Touch N' Go for Mass Intentions, Donations & Gift Shop purchases

For CDM Penang's social media and other parish updates.



MASS & PRAYER

TIMES

DAY

DESCRIPTION

Live Streaming of Masses on Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/cdmsgarapg/>

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

No Mass **MON** **01 Aug** St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop & Doctor.

Lauds 6.20am **TUE** **02 Aug** St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop.
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest
DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am **WED** **03 Aug**
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am
DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am **THU** **04 Aug** St John Vianney, Patron of all Priests
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am
DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am **FRI** **05 Aug** Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am
DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Mass 10.30am **SAT** **06 Aug** **Transfiguration of the Lord**
25th Sacerdotal Anniversary of Fr. Michael Raymond OFM.Cap
 Novena to OMPH 5.15pm
 Mass 5.30pm

DM Chaplet 8.30am **SUN** **19th Sunday of Ordinary Time**
Mass (LIVE) 9.00am **07 Aug** *Wis 18: 6-9*
Hebr 11: 1-2, 8-12
Lk 12: 32-48
(or 35-40)

Prayers & Meditation

Come and deepen your faith & relationship with God

Wed, 3, 17 & 31 Aug @ 8.30pm

*Christian Meditation - 3rd floor classroom

Wed, 10 & 24 Aug @ 8.15pm

*Charismatic Renewal Group - St Faustina Hall

Tuesdays—Fridays @ 3.00pm

*Divine Mercy prayer group @ church

CDM E-Bulletin Subscription: cdmbulletin@gmail.com

Daily Reflection (Lectio Divina): <https://bit.ly/3nGTK1K>

PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Faith Sharing & Education for children

Dates: **Sundays 7, 14, 21 & 28 Aug**

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

Catechism: 10.45am

CDM Learning Centre: 2.00pm



"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.

Retreat: Healing in Evangelization

Speakers: Fr. Gino Henriques & Deacon Clement Samuel

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

Venue: Church of St. Michael, Ipoh

Fee: RM50/pax (limited to 400pax)

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

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Date: **Mon, 15 Aug**

Rosary at **8.00pm** followed by Mass

Day of Prayer for the Sick

Date/Time: **Sat, 20 Aug @ 10.00am (9.30am DM Chaplet)**

Registrations for the sick and elderly will be at the church entrance after the weekend Masses until **Sun, 14 Aug**

Mandarin Mass

Date/Time: **Sun, 21 Aug @ 6.00pm**

Mass will be presided by Fr. Henry Rajoo

Marriage Encounter (English)

Spend a weekend free of everyday distractions to focus on each other and revitalize your marriage.

Dates: **Fri, 26 Aug - Sun, 28 Aug**

Venue: Domus, St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam

Contact: Martin (012-5045890) / Rose (016-4416911)

Penang Diocesan Youth Day 5 (PDYD5)

"Mary arose and went with haste" - Luke 1:39

Date/Time: **Sat, 27 Aug @ 8.00am—7.30pm**

Venue: CDM Penang

Contact for registration: Christine (016-4062613) or @genesisyouthscdm

Coffee Morning

Resumed after Sunday morning Mass at the basement for the catechism children & parishioners. We welcome all parents, BECs and Ministries to volunteer prepare, serve & co-organise this weekly fellowship.

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

