

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: AUGUST 2022
Leave a sweet aroma of God's Mercy

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

"Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own" - Psalm 33: 12

The reading from the Book of Wisdom this weekend recalls how our spiritual ancestors, when they were in captivity in Egypt, awaited the moment of their liberation. He says that the night of the Passover "was known beforehand to our fathers." They did not know it in the sense that they always had it marked on their calendars; they knew it in faith. They had the "sure knowledge" that God is faithful to his promises. Their waiting was not passive resignation; they prepared for their liberation by offering sacrifice and following the law of God. This is a description of the active and hope-filled anticipation we have for our future day of salvation.

In the Gospel likewise, Jesus reassures us that it has pleased our Father to give us the Kingdom that is a share in his divine life and glory. Jesus tells us, "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock." He knows that the future with all its unknown sufferings, can intimidate us. We do not know the day or the hour that the Lord will come to us whether he will come in graced moment of insight today, for example, or call us home tomorrow. For this reason, Jesus strongly urges us to be vigilant. He illustrates the importance of such vigilance with a parable about servants who remain always ready for their master to return. He advises us to be on guard; the Son of Man will come when we least expect him. We are to be "faithful and prudent" stewards, who, because we are prepared,

already have joy in anticipation of the Master's return. Our confidence in the mercy of God is not an excuse to be lazy and irresponsible.

The alternative to being good stewards is to be irresponsible and ungrateful servants. This is obviously a foolish way to live. The enjoyment of some passing benefits is always appealing to our flesh, which craves immediate gratification. We can never really enjoy sin for it always leaves us empty and dissatisfied. Faith and hope, which are characteristic of those who trust in God, are portrayed for us in the life story of Abraham, our father in faith. The Letter to the Hebrews pictures Abraham as an example of how we are to live in faith, with "the realization of what is hoped for, and evidence of things not seen." Abraham went forth from his familiar and comfortable past and endured the hardship of being stranger in a foreign land. He "went out, not knowing where he was to go." He was able to persevere because he treasured what was in his heart, his relationship with God who revealed himself to him. Thus, he was free to leave his homeland behind and follow his heart. This is the freedom we have when we place our hope in God and actively prepare through all the ups and downs of life for eternal joy in his presence.

How does fear of my future show that I do not fully trust in God's goodness? When am I an irresponsible and ungrateful steward? In what ways have I experienced inner peace and joy in suffering?

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



MASS & PRAYER TIMES

DAY

DESCRIPTION

Live Streaming of Masses on Facebook

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

DM Chaplet 8.30am
Mass 9.00am

SUN
07 Aug

19th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Wis 18: 6-9
 Hebr 11: 1-2, 8-19
 (Or 1-2, 8-12)
 Lk 12: 32-48
 (or 35-40)

No Mass

MON
08 Aug

St Dominic,
 Priest

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

TUE
09 Aug

St Teresa Benedicta
 of the Cross,
 Virgin & Martyr

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

WED
10 Aug

St Lawrence,
 Deacon & Martyr

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

THU
11 Aug

St Clare,
 Virgin

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

FRI
12 Aug

St Jane Frances de
 Chantal,
 Religious

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

SAT
13 Aug

SS. Pontian, Pope
 & Hippolytus, Priest,
 Martyrs

DM Chaplet 8.30am
 BM Mass 9.00am
Misa Bahasa

SUN
14 Aug

20th Sunday of Ordinary Time
 Jer 38: 4, 6, 8-10
 Hebr 12: 1-4
 Lk 12: 49-53

Prayers & Meditation

Come and deepen your faith & relationship with God

Wed, 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

I wish to express my heartfelt gratitude to the organising committee and to all the visitors and parishioners for coming forward and celebrating my Silver Jubilee. I truly appreciate the joy and support and pray that God will bless you all in abundance.
- Fr. Michael Raymond OFM.Cap

Wedding Banns: Sat, 20 Aug @ 3.00pm

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:

Anthony Paul A/L Henry Paul & Sandra Gripes Anak Litai

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

Baptisms: Sun, 7 Aug 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. Grant them a discerning heart & a spirit to love.

Rachel Vaniesha
Neora Ora & Veora binti Kent
Jonas Lew Xin Hang
Carolyn Chung Kai Xin

If you have a child waiting for baptism, kindly contact the Parish Office / Parish Priest for the necessary arrangements. Jika anda sedang menunggu untuk sakramen baptisan bayi, sila hubungi pejabat paroki/paderi.

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

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

Penang Diocesan Youth Day 5 (PDYD5)

Date: **Sat, 27 Aug**

Time: **8.00am - 7.30pm**

Venue: CDM Penang

Contact for registration:

Christine (016-4062613) or

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