

CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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Parish Office Hours: Closed on Monday



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

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

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" - Luke 12:49

We ponder this weekend of Jesus' desire that we be consumed with the same intense love that burns in His own heart. This will happen if we open our hearts to Him and let Him change us from within. It is in allowing the Lord into our hearts, however, seems like a death experience to our selfish nature, which prefers that we sit on the throne, ruling our domain. But Jesus comes to give us a new way to live, not the way of selfishness, but of love: love of God and love of neighbour.

It is important for us to reflect on this that living an authentic Christian life will inevitably bring division into our lives. Whenever we take a stand for the truth, we risk opposition. This was the experience of the prophet Jeremiah. He was sent by God to proclaim His word to a rebellious people. They refused to listen to him and even appealed to the king with their complaint. The prophet's words of truth are so abhorrent to the people that they attempt to kill him by throwing him into a well. Jeremiah has tried to speak God's truth to them, but they are already divided from God even before he speaks. Hearing the Word of God provokes their anger because their hearts are closed. Out of love for them, Jeremiah chooses to speak to the people anyway, so that they will not be deprived of God's truth.

The family division that Jesus speaks in the Gospel also applies to our inner life. If we are honest, we know ways in which we are interiorly divided. We have all had the experience of wanting to do what is good, but we find ourselves doing just the opposite (Romans 7:19). Jesus' call to follow Him requires that we step away from the comforts and predictable routines, and be willing to leave everything behind, if necessary. Following Jesus is an all or nothing adventure. He asks us to let go of any attachments that hinder our relationship with Him. In other words, He is calling us to total freedom, but we cannot be free if we choose our own slavery.

The Letter to the Hebrews in our reflection for the week helps us form the right inner disposition for being consistent with the Gospel. The key is to put our focus on Jesus, not on ourselves or on the divisions we may experience. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus Christ! If we are united with Him, we have all we need to deal with the divisions in our life, because He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. The question is, will we follow Him? Will we let Him set our hearts on fire with His love?

What are the divisions in my life caused by my not living an authentic Christian life? What hinders me from following Jesus in an all or nothing adventure? Why am I not consistent in following the Christian life and all that it demands?

FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Fundraising & tithes/pledges:

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

Acc Name: **Church of Divine Mercy**

Email receipt & details to: divinemercury@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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PRAYERS & MEDITATION

Prayers & Meditation

Come and deepen your faith & relationship with God

Wed, 17 & 31 Aug @ 8.30pm

*Christian Meditation - 3rd floor classroom

Wed, 24 Aug @ 8.15pm

*Charismatic Renewal Group - St Faustina Hall

Tuesdays—Fridays @ 3.00pm

*Divine Mercy prayer group @ church



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 **SUN**
BM Mass 9.00am **14 Aug**
Misa Bahasa

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

~ Day of Obligation ~

Rosary 8.00pm **MON**
 followed by Mass **15 Aug**
 (LIVE)

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

TUE
16 Aug
 St Stephen of Hungary

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

WED
17 Aug

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

THU
18 Aug

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

FRI
19 Aug
 St John Eudes, Priest

World Day of Prayer for the Sick

DM Chaplet 9.30am
 Mass 10.00am

SAT
20 Aug
 St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor

Novena to OMPH 5.15pm
 Mass 5.30pm

DM Chaplet 8.30am
 Mass 9.00am

21st Sunday of Ordinary Time
Is 66: 18-21
Hebr 12: 5-7, 11-13
Lk 13: 22-30

DM Chaplet 5.30pm

Mandarin Mass 6.00pm

PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Faith Sharing & Education for children

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

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

Catechism: 10.45am

CDM Learning Centre: 2.00pm

Volunteers are welcome support the CLOW team, catechism teachers (Parents Support Group), or the Learning Centre.

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." -Matthew 19:14

Penang Deanery Celebration

"Back to the Future by Genesis Youths of Mercy (GYM)

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

Venue: CDM Penang

Contact for registration: Christine (016-4062613)

or sign up online @genesisyouthscdm

"From Nature to Indoors"

Workshop by the Friends of Creation Ministry.

Breakfast provided.

Date/Time: **Wed, 31 Aug @ 10am - 12.00pm**

Venues(s): St Faustina Hall & Rooftop, CDM

- Terrarium Workshop (fee RM5/pax, limited to 30pax)
 - Weaving coaster from coffee sachets
 - Visit the Rooftop vegetable garden
- Registration: Magdalene (012-425 8423)

Healing Mass

Date/Time: **Fri, 9 Sep @ 8.00pm**

For enquiries, contact Adeline (012-4316238)

Burning Bush Vocation Retreat

A scriptural walk with Moses

Date/Time: **Fri, 7 Oct @ 6.00pm - Sun, 9 Oct @ 2.30pm**

Venue: Stella Maris Retreat Centre, Penang

Registration fee: RM100/pax (*closing date Thur, 1 Sep*)

Registration link: <https://bit.ly/3PeRidR>

Open to singles from 21-35yrs. Sessions will be conducted in English but discussions according to language groups.

Contact: pdvt2018@gmail.com / Fr Louis Loi (017-4185025)

Kursus Pra-Perkahwinan 2022 (BM)

Anjuran Apostolat Bahasa Malaysia Diosis Pulau Pinang.

Jadual : **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)

CDM E-Bulletin Subscription: cdmbulletin@gmail.com

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