

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

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS

"Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough."
 - Luke 13:24

In the Gospel this weekend, Jesus gives us a fuller understanding of what "all nations" means. He explains that the universal call to enter the Kingdom of God does not necessarily mean that everyone will do so. Jesus says this in answer to the question put to Him: "Lord, will only a few people be saved?" He does not actually say whether the saved will be few or many, but instead directs our attention to our personal responsibility to "strive to enter through the narrow gate." We are not to waste time wondering about the statistics of the next life, but rather focus on entering that life ourselves.

But how can we enter? We find it encouraging to know that the door is *open to all* but discouraging to know that it is *narrow*. If some who try to enter are unable to do so, what guarantee do we have that we will not find ourselves locked out? Jesus' words to the condemned are frightening. They have spend time in His presence, as we have, yet He says to them, "I do not know where you are from. Depart from me, all you evildoers!" The sober truth is, we too are all in the same boat. We have no hope of

earning our way into Heaven. The key to passing through the narrow gate is not in achieving salvation for ourselves, but in being humble enough to accept the Lord's gift. It is His mercy, not our righteousness, that enables us to enter. Jesus did not come to call the righteous, but sinners (Mt. 9:13).

Today's selection from the Letter to the Hebrews reminds us of another important aspect of our preparation to enter the Kingdom of God. We tend to think only of what we must do, putting too much emphasis on ourselves and on our claim to be worthy. However, the Lord is doing much more than we are. He is training us, disciplining us, just as a loving father disciplines his children. Our nature dislikes the process, but in our better judgement we know how important it is. We must not "disdain the discipline of the Lord nor lose heart when reproved by Him." If we are wise, we will strive to accept His guidance, knowing that He is continually preparing us for entry through the narrow gate into the joy of salvation.

How do I feel knowing that the Kingdom of God is open to all, but the gate is narrow? In what ways am I striving to enter the Kingdom of God? Do I believe that trials and sufferings are God's way of disciplining and training me so I can pass through the narrow gate to heaven?

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**

PRAYERS & MEDITATION

Prayers & Meditation

Come and deepen your faith & relationship with God
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



CDM compound is a **Non Smoking Zone**

MASS & PRAYER

TIMES

DAY

DESCRIPTION

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

DM Chaplet	8.30am		21st Sunday of Ordinary Time Is 66: 18-21 Hebr 12: 5-7, 11-13 Lk 13: 22-30
Mass	9.00am	SUN 21 Aug	
DM Chaplet	5.30pm		
Mandarin Mass	6.00pm		

<i>No Mass</i>		MON 22 Aug	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
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Lauds	6.20am		TUE 23 Aug	St Rose of Lima, Virgin
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am			
DM Chaplet	3.00pm			

Lauds	6.20am		WED 24 Aug	St Bartholomew, Apostle
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am			
DM Chaplet	3.00pm			

Lauds	6.20am		THU 25 Aug	St Louis, St Joseph Calasanz, Priest
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am			
DM Chaplet	3.00pm			

Lauds	6.20am		FRI 26 Aug	
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am			
DM Chaplet	3.00pm			

Lauds	6.20am		SAT 27 Aug	St Monica
Mass (LIVE)	6.45am			
Novena to OMPH	5.15pm			
Mass	5.30pm			

DM Chaplet	8.30am	SUN	22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Sir 3: 17-20, 28-29 Hebr 12: 18-19, 22-24a Lk 14: 7-14
Mass	9.00am	28 Aug	

Kursus Pra-Perkahwinan 2022 (BM)

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

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)

PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Banns of Ordination

Seminarian Bro. Raymond Raj will be called to the Order of Deacons on Fri, 16 Sep at CDM Penang by His Excellency, Rt. Rev Sebastian Francis, D.D.
The publications of these banns fulfil the canonical requirement, can.1051 2°. Catholics are obliged to reveal any impediments or circumstances that would prevent the candidate from receiving Sacred Orders and should contact the Bishop with such information as soon as possible.

Faith Sharing & Education for children

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

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

Catechism: **10.45am**

CDM Learning Centre: 2.00pm

Volunteers are welcome to join the CLOW team, catechism teachers (Parents Support Group) or the Learning Centre in building & enriching the faith of your children.

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](https://www.facebook.com/genesisyouthscdm)

"From Nature to Indoors"

Workshop by the Friends of Creation Ministry.

Snacks 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)

Marriage Encounter Weekend (ENG)

Uncover secrets to a lasting, supportive, and transformational marriage.

Date/Time : **26th—28th Aug**

Venue : Domus, St Anne, Bukit Mertajam

Contact: Martin/Rose (012-5045890)

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)

CDM E-Bulletin Subscription: cdmbulletin@gmail.com

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