

# CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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9am - 5pm (Tuesday - Friday) 9am - 1pm (Saturday & Sunday) PARISH PRIEST:
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#### CDM KAMPUNGKU: SEPTEMBER 2022

Savour God's Mercy



# "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." -Luke 14:27

In the Gospel reflection this weekend, Jesus opens us to the teachings and the ways of God. He teaches us that anyone who wishes to follow Him into the fullness of life with God must renounce his family, his possessions, and even his own life. This strikes us as a very hard sentence. Jesus is asking us to make great sacrifices. Pope Francis in his spiritual reflection this weekend tells us that what Jesus is doing is explaining that we must let go of lesser things in order to make room in our hearts and lives for the much greater things which God wants to share with us.

Jesus is leading us towards our final destiny of sharing in the very life of the Trinity in Heaven. What seems like harsh demands to us are words of great love warning us against clinging so tightly to lesser goods, that we run the risk of losing out on the greatest good. We must remember that the demands that Jesus sets before us cease to be burdensome as soon as we begin to taste the joy of the new life that He Himself sets before us.

The Lord is indeed filling us right now with His kindness of answering our prayer for Him to teach us His ways. He teaches us that He loves us with an infinite, merciful love, and that He wants to show us the way to be united with Him eternally in Heaven. The right response, then, is not to be dismayed at what the Lord is asking us to sacrifice, but to "shout for joy and gladness all our days" at what He is offering us.

St. Paul, in the second reading, shows us a good example of how to live the words of Jesus in a practical situation. He is imprisoned because of his witness to Christ, but he is not focused on his own hardship. In fact, although he says that he would have liked to have kept Onesimus with him to help him, he is instead sending him back to Philemon. Paul is not trying to cling to persons or possessions for his own benefit; rather he does all that he does out of love, seeking to serve as Christ served. In giving of himself in love in this way. He finds his joy "the joy of the new life" that God Himself sets before us.

Am I more concerned about worldly things than the things of God? What are the things I am clinging to for my own benefits? When have I experienced the joy of new life?

**Marriage Preparation Courses** 

## FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

# Fundraising & tithes/pledges:

Bank Acc: Maybank #5073 9410 1643 Acc Name: Church of Divine Mercy

Email receipt & details to: <a href="mailto:divinemercypg@yahoo.com">divinemercypg@yahoo.com</a>
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 <a href="masscdmsgara@gmail.com">masscdmsgara@gmail.com</a>

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#### Chinese Marriage Preparation Course (2022)

By the Chinese Apostolate of Penang Island.

Dates/Times: Fri, 23-25 Sep

Venue: Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang.

Contact: Joachim (012-4778319) / Cecilia (012-4547007)

第五十八届华语婚前准备课程。

请注意: 课程计划在一个周末完成。证书只发给全勤参加者

Please note: the course takes one weekend to complete. Certificate only given for full attendance participants.

#### 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)

MASS & PRAYER
TIMES

DAY

DESCRIPTION

23rd Sunday of

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

**Ordinary Time** DM Chaplet 8.30am SUN Wis 9: 13-18 Mass 9.00am 04 Sep Phm 9b-10, 12-17 Lk 14: 25-33 MON No Mass 05 Sep Lauds 6.20am TUE Mass (LIVE) 6.45am 06 Sep **DM Chaplet** 3.00pm Lauds 6.20am WED Mass (LIVE) 6.45am 07 Sep DM Chaplet 3.00pm Lauds 6.20am The Nativity of the THU Mass (LIVE) 6.45am **Blessed Virgin** 08 Sep Mary DM Chaplet 3.00pm DM Chaplet 3.00pm FRI St Peter Claver. 09 Sep Priest Healing Mass 8.00pm Lauds 6.20am Mass (LIVE) 6.45am SAT 10 Sep Novena to OMPH 5.15pm

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SUN

24th Sunday of

**Ordinary Time** 

Ex 32: 7-11. 13-14

## **PRAYERS & MEDITATION**

~Deepen & enrich your faith & relationship with God~ Wed, 14 & 28 Sep @ 8.15pm

\*Charismatic Renewal Group—St. Faustina Hall Wed, 7 & 21 Sep @ 8.30pm

Mass 5.30pm

**DM Chaplet** 8.30am

\*Christian Meditation—St. Faustina Hall

Tuesdays—Fridays @ 3.00pm

\*Divine Mercy prayer group—church

## 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.

The Eucharistic celebration of the Diaconate Ordination of Bro. Raymond Raj & Bro. Desmond Jansen will be at **10:00am** followed by lunch & fellowship. Kindly confirm your attendance by Fri, 9 Sep through the link below. RSVP Link: https://forms.gle/qEwZwg4wJ2jbAgGr9

## **Wedding Banns**

We pray that the Spirit of Life & Love bless these couples with kindness to nurture each other and patience to persevere through conflict.

Sat, 17 Sep @ 10.30am (Wedding Service)
Matthew James Tan Wooi Bee & Ooi Poh Yee

Sat, 17 Sep @ 2.00pm (Wedding Service)
Joseph Lee De' Ken & Ooi Seok Theng

Sat, 24 Sep @ 10.30am (Wedding Service)
Alvin Loh Wen Sheng & Yee Poh Siew

Sat, 24 Sep @ 2.00pm (Wedding Service)
Tan Yang Jie & Feliz Ria Binalay Pichay

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

#### Baptisms: Sun, 4 Sep (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.

# Emilio Yew Pacaldo

# Durwassha Elizabeth Sigamoney

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.

### BEC Leaders Meeting: Tue, 6 Sep @ 8.00pm

The Bishop of Penang calls on all Catholics in the Diocese to imitate the early Christian Community (Acts 2:42) in building the Basic Ecclesial Community, understood as an area-based grouping of about 10-20 families, where there is a sense of belonging, faith sharing, life witnessing and service in love & hope.

#### Faith Sharing & Education for children

Dates: Sundays, 18 & 25 Sep

Note: no CLOW/Catechism during school holidays (4 & 11 Sep)

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

Catechism: 10.45am

Dates: Sundays, 11, 18 & 25 Sep 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.