



CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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 9am - 5pm (Tuesday - Friday)
 9am - 1pm (Saturday & Sunday)

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We accept T'nG payments:
 Mass Offerings & Donations

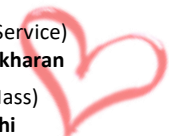
PARISH/DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wedding Banns

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

Sat, 17 Dec 2022 @ 11.00am (Wedding Service)
Amritpal Singh Gill & Sheena Chandrasekharan
Sat, 17 Dec 2022 @ 3.00pm (Wedding Mass)
Leonard Santhu & Katherine Kamini Rathi



GOTONG-ROYONG

Date/Time: Sat, 10 Dec @ 8.00am-12.00pm (Lunch provided)
 Please bring along extra cleaning materials to share.

"Heart Comes Alive with God"

华文青年实体生活营终于来啦! 同时, 筹备团队也在 Google Form收取你的意见! 你可以写下你对camp的期待好让筹备团队为大家准备不一样的生活营!

Penang Diocese Mandarin Youth Camp for Catholic Chinese aged between 15-25yr (RM60/pax).

Dates: Fri, 9 Dec—Sun, 11 Dec
 Venue: Church of the NBVM, Butterworth
 Register: <https://bit.ly/3FO1AWL>
 Contact: Jason (010-536 4138)

Book Mission by the Daughters of St. Paul

Making available good reading materials to enhance spiritual growth as individual Christians.

Dates: Sat, 10 Dec & Sun, 11 Dec
 Venue: Garden of Mercy, CDM

Recruitment Drive by Genesis Youth of Mercy (G.Y.M)

Come and join us in serving the Lord with the talents He has given us! Open for Marketing team, Content Creation Team, Music & Worship Team, and Engagement Team.

For more information, do check our Instagram @genesisyouthscdm or contact Agape (016-644 1187)

Jon Ber-Christmas @ CDM

Date/Time: **Sun, 18 Dec @ 10.30am—4.00pm**
 Tickets are now available at the church porch after Mass. Volunteers, vendors & sponsors are very much welcome.

For vendors: Zac (012-465 7649) / Audrey (012-315 3037)
 Event Coordinator: Rowena (012-474 9472)
 Tickets: Christine (012-410 8837)/Lawrence (012-410 8360)

Christmas Eve, 24 Dec (Saturday)

Medley of Carols—5.00pm; Mass—5.30pm
 Medley of Carols—9.30pm; Mass—10.00pm

Christmas Day, 25 Dec (Sunday)

DM Chaplet—9.00am; Mass—9.30am

Feast of the Holy Family

Fri, 30 Dec @ 8.00pm

New Year's Eve, 31 Dec (Saturday)

Rosary—9.30pm; Mass—10.00pm

New Year's Day, 1 Jan 2023 (Sunday)

Rosary—9.00am; Mass—9.30am



MASS & PRAYER TIMES

DAY

DESCRIPTION

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

2nd Sunday of Advent

DM Chaplet 8.30am SUN *Is 11: 1-10*
 Mass 9.00am 04 Dec *Rom 15: 4-9*
Mt 3: 1-12

No Mass MON 05 Dec

Lauds 6.20am
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am TUE 06 Dec St Nicholas, Bishop
 DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am WED 07 Dec St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor
 DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am THU 08 Dec *Day of Obligation*
 DM Chaplet 8.00pm Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Mass 8.30pm

Lauds 6.20am
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am FRI 09 Dec St John Diego Cuauhtlatatzin
 DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am
 Mass (LIVE) 6.45am SAT 10 Dec Our Lady of Loreto
 Novena to OMPH 5.15pm
 Mass 5.30pm

3rd Sunday of Advent

DM Chaplet 8.30am SUN *Is 35: 1-6, 10*
 Mass 9.00am 11 Dec *Jm 5: 7-10*
Mt 11: 2-11

Prayers & Meditation

~ Deepen & enrich your faith & relationship with God ~

Wed, 14 & 28 Dec @ 8.30pm

*Christian Meditation—St. Faustina Hall

Tuesdays—Fridays @ 3.00pm

*Divine Mercy prayer group—church

CDM Learning Centre

Sun, 4 & 11 Dec @ 2.00pm

Online Advent Reflections

Make Advent a season of meaningful reflection & prayer.

My Daily Visitor: <https://mydailyvisitor.com/signup/>

Dynamic Catholic: <https://bit.ly/3Vn7Wvh>

Catechism in a Year 2023: Don't Get Left Behind

A wonderful way to get rooted to the basics of our Faith.

<https://ascensionpress.com/pages/catechisminayear>

CDM KAMPUNGKU: DECEMBER 2022

SAVOUR OUR SAVIOUR

PARISH PRIEST SPEAKS



"Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight His paths."

Matthew 3:3

We ponder this weekend the message of two of the Bible's most important Advent teachers, the great prophet Isaiah, and the even greater prophet John the Baptist. Prophets speak for God. By their words and actions, they enlighten and encourage us. They also challenge and disturb us, for they force us to face the truth in our conscience.

Isaiah's prophecy tells us something fascinating about the Lord for whose coming we are preparing. When He comes, the Messiah will reveal Himself as both just and merciful. He will combine strength and compassion. On that day, the Lord will reconcile enemies and establish a wonderful harmony. He will justly punish the wicked and show mercy to the lowly and the poor. "He shall judge the poor with justice and decide aright for the land's afflicted." If we are well prepared, repentant, humble, and honest, we will experience the Lord's mercy. His coming will be an occasion of joyful celebration. If we remain fixed in our hypocrisy and self-centeredness, we have reason to fear His justice.

John the Baptist had a particularly powerful prophetic mission. When he began his public ministry as a preacher in the desert of Judea, he attracted great crowds from all over the region. Like Isaiah, he too witnessed to both the mercy and the justice of God. To those who were humble enough to repent and be baptized, he gave hope of being prepared for the coming of the Lord.

But to the hypocritical religious leaders, he addressed some very harsh words "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from coming wrath?" John the Baptist is not being vindictive toward the Pharisees, he is being compassionate. He does not want the Messiah to arrive and find them unprepared. John's urgent mission is to rescue them before it is too late, to show them how to receive God's great mercy. This mission continues today as we ponder the Gospel, which warns us all to beware of the poison of hypocrisy.

The message of the prophets this weekend which is also the message of Advent for us today is not one of fear but hope. All who turn to the Lord in faith can experience His merciful love. The only obstacle is sin, and God has already made it possible for us to be free of sin. Rejoicing in this gift, and continually renewing our commitment to live by it, we prepare for the Lord to dwell in us. The grace we receive from the Lord makes it possible for us to live more harmoniously with each other. Nothing is impossible for God. When we start with the awareness of our own sin condition and acknowledge that we are all struggling with the same basic weaknesses, we begin to be more accepting of one another, including those who are at various stages of repentance and transformation. It is only by the power of His grace at work in us, we can "make straight" the paths of the Lord, serve Him with an undivided heart, and witness to Him with simplicity, authenticity, and love.

How am I a prophet to others by my words and actions? Do I approach the Lord in hope or in fear? What can I learn from Isaiah and John the Baptist about hypocrisy and self-centeredness?

Advent Penitential Service Penang Island Deanery

Fri, 9 Dec	8.00pm—10.00pm	Church of Our Lady of Sorrows
Mon, 12 Dec	8.00pm	Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
Tue, 13 Dec	8.00pm—10.00pm	Church of Risen Christ
Wed, 14 Dec	8.00pm—10.00pm	Church of Divine Mercy
Thur, 15 Dec	9.30am—11.30am & 6.30pm—8.00pm	Church of the Immaculate Conception
Fri, 16 Dec	8.00pm—10.00pm	Church of the Holy Name of Jesus

God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking His Mercy.
 -Pope Francis