



CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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9.00 pg - 5.00 ptg (Selasa—Jumaat)

9.00 pg - 1.00 ptg (Sabtu & Ahad)

PADERI PAROKI: Rev. Fr. Michael Raymond OFM. Cap



PERSEMBAHAN MISA

Misa hari kerja: sekurang-kurang 48 jam sebelum tarikh.

Misa akhir minggu: sebelum 12 ptg hari Rabu setiap minggu.

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SEPTEMBER 2023 CDM Kampung-Ku

Hidupkan imam kita:
LGBTQ dan kedudukan Katolik

Niat Doa Paus Fransiskus

Kita berdoa agar Hari Belia Sedunia di Lisbon dapat menolong kaum muda untuk menghidupi dan menyaksikan Injil dalam kehidupan mereka.

Bicara Paderi...

Injil hari ini dimulai dengan tema ramalan Yesus tentang penderitaan dan kematian-Nya yang semakin mendekat. Reaksi langsung Petrus terhadap hal ini, seperti reaksi alamiah kita, adalah menolak gagasan tersebut. "Tuhan, janganlah itu terjadi, Tuhan! Janganlah hal itu terjadi pada-Mu." Untuk lebih memahami apa yang mendorong terjadinya perbualan ini, kita dapat kembali kepada perkara yang terdahulu. Hal ini dimulai dari petikan yang kita baca pada hari Minggu yang lalu, di mana Petrus dengan berani mengisyaratkan bahawa Yesus adalah Kristus, Mesias, Anak Tuhan yang hidup, dan Yesus mengisyaratkan bahawa Petrus adalah batu karang di mana Dia akan membangun Gereja-Nya. Setelah itu, Yesus "dengan tegas memerintahkan murid-murid-Nya supaya tidak memberitahuhan kepada siapa pun bahawa Dia adalah Kristus." Ini adalah sebuah kejutan: Yesus menegaskan pemahaman Petrus, tetapi kemudian Dia menyuruh mereka untuk tidak mengatakan kepada siapa pun. Alasan dari kontradiksi yang terlihat jelas ini adalah tema minggu ini, iaitu Yesus adalah Mesias yang menderita. Tangannya adalah gagasan bahawa penderitaan adalah sebahagian daripada rencana Tuhan. Gagasan ini sangat asing bagi sifat alamiah kita sehingga kita masih merasa sangat sulit untuk menerimanya. Ketika kita mendengar tentang orang-orang yang menderita, kita merasa kasihan pada mereka. Ketika mereka meninggal, kita merasa terhibur kerana setidaknya penderitaan mereka telah berakhir. Ketika kita sendiri menderita, kita ingin penderitaan itu berakhir. Bagaimana kita dapat dengan mudah memahami reaksi Petrus. Inilah reaksi kita ketika kita "berfikir seperti manusia". Yesus menyatakan bahawa ada cara lain untuk berfikir tentang penderitaan, iaitu seperti yang dilakukan oleh Tuhan.

Sama seperti kesedaran Petrus bahawa Yesus adalah Mesias yang datang sebagai wahyu daripada Bapa, demikian juga pemahaman kita akan makna penderitaan yang sesungguhnya haruslah datang daripada Bapa, melalui Anak-Nya, Mesias yang menderita. Ketika kita menerima apa yang telah Tuhan nyatakan - meskipun daging kita akan terus menentangnya, kita akan melihat kemuliaan Salib Yesus Kristus, dan juga bagaimana kita diberkati untuk mengambil bahagian didalamnya. Yesus menyatakan dengan sangat jelas bahawa memikul salib adalah bahagian yang sangat penting untuk menjadi seorang murid; "Setiap orang yang mau mengikut Aku, ia harus menyangkal dirinya, memikul salibnya dan mengikut Aku." Kita dapat berusaha untuk 'menyelamatkan hidup kita' dengan menghindari semua penderitaan, tetapi bahkan jika kita berjaya melakukannya, apa yang akan kita dapatkan? Bahkan jika kita mendapatkan seluruh dunia, itu tidak akan menjadi keuntungan yang kekal bagi kita jika kita kehilangan pahala yang berlimpah yang diberikan Yesus kepada para pengikut-Nya yang setia. Nabi Yeremia sering bergumul dengan pengalaman kontradiktif dalam mengikuti kehendak Tuhan. Dalam bacaan pertama, dia mengeluh bahawa dia telah

MASA MISA & DOA	HARI	KETERANGAN	PENGUMUMAN PAROKI / DIOSIS
Chaplet Kerahiman Ilahi Misa 9.00 pg	AHAD 03 Sep	Minggu ke-22 Waktu Biasa Jer 20: 7-9 Rom 12: 1-2 Mt 16: 21-27	Pengumuman Perkahwinan: Sabtu, 16 Sep jam 3.00ptg (servis) Paul Lim Siang Yih & Gun An Gie Jika sesiapa mengetahui sebarang halangan kanonik kepada cadangan perkahwinan tersebut, sila hubungi paderi paroki.
Tiada Misa	ISNIN 04 Sep		Nota: Bagi pasangan yang berhasrat untuk berkahwin di gereja, sila berjumpa dengan paderi 6 bulan sebelum tarikh perkahwinan. Hubungi Pejabat Paroki untuk garis panduan perkahwinan paroki selanjutnya.
Lauds 6.20 pg Misa 6.45 pg	SELASA 05 Sep		PEMBAPTISAN: Ahad, 3 Sept jam 11.00 pg Hezraa Haviana Janelle & Jayven Chiang Dengan anugerah dan karunia kehidupan baru melalui Pembaptisan, kita juga dipanggil untuk menyaksikan kehidupan dan pengharapan yang ada dalam diri kita.
Chaplet Kerahiman Ilahi	3.00 ptg		Nota: Jika anda sedang menunggu untuk sakramen baptisan bayi, sila hubungi pejabat paroki/paderi.
Lauds 6.20 pg Misa 6.45 pg	RABU 06 Sep		Tiada liturgy kanak-kanak /katekismus semasa cuti sekolah: 26 Ogos hingga 3 Sep
Chaplet Kerahiman Ilahi	3.00 ptg		Tarikh: Ahad 10, 17 & 24 Sep 2023 Liturgi untuk kanak-kanak: jam 9.00 pg Katekismus: jam 10.45pg
Lauds 6.20 pg Misa 6.45 pg	JUMAAT 08 Sep	Kelahiran Santa Perawan Maria	Tarikh: Ahad, 10 & 24 Sep 2023 Pusat Pembelajaran CDM: jam 2.00 ptg
Chaplet Kerahiman Ilahi	3.00 ptg		RCIA Perjalanan Ke-10 (2023/2024) Setiap Ahad (10.30pg—1.00ptg) di bilik darjah tingkat 3
Lauds 6.20 pg Misa 6.45 pg	SABTU 09 Sep	Santo Peter Claver, Pendeta	Pertemuan Pemimpin BEC: Selasa, 5 Sep jam 8.30mlm Komuniti Dasar Gerejawi (BEC): pengelompokan berbasis kawasan yang terdiri daripada 10-20 keluarga, dimana ada rasa saling memiliki, berbagi iman, kesaksian hidup, dan pelayanan dalam kasih & harapan.
Novena kepada OMPH 5.15 ptg Misa 5.30 ptg			"MARI, JADI CAHAYAKU": HARI PENGINGAT Bersempena perayaan St. Teresa Calcutta dan Hari Amal Antarabangsa, temui keimanan & amal luar biasa Ibu Teresa. Tarikh/Masa: Selasa, 5 Sep (8.00mlm—9.30mlm) Penceramah: Sr. Fatima Emmanuel (Rumah Harapan Samaria) Daftar untuk pautan Zoom: https://shrturl.app/4fl0r3
Chaplet Kerahiman Ilahi Misa 9.00 pg	AHAD 10 Sep	Minggu ke-23 Waktu Biasa Ez 33: 7-9 Rom 13: 8-10 Mt 18: 15-20	
			MEDITASI KRISTIAN (TRADISI JOHN MAIN) Kempen dengan kerjasama Penang Harmonico menjelang Hari Keamanan Antarabangsa (Khamis, 21 Sep). Salah satu sesi akan diketuai oleh Kumpulan Meditasi CHS (Katedral Roh Kudus). Butiran: Rabu, 6 Sep (7.30mlm) di Bilik St. Mark/Luke Pautan pendaftaran: https://shrturl.app/NiQmxs
			SNEHAM MALAYSIA: KESEDARAN KESIHATAN MENTAL Sesi kedua untuk Ibubapa, Penjaga & Guru Tarikh/Masa: Sabtu, 9 Sep (10.00pg—12.30ptg) Tempat: Dewan St. Faustina, CDM
			FUN WALK: PERJALANAN BERSAMA Pertandingan mewarna untuk kanak-kanak. Bawa bahan sendiri. Hanya pensel warna dibenarkan. Butiran: Sabtu, 16 Sep jam 9.30pg di Dewan St. Faustina, CDM Daftar sebelum Ahad, 10 Sep : https://shorturl.at/bhNR0 Hubungi: Helen (012-4710081) atau Kevin (012-4841890). Pengambilan baju Fun Walk: Sabtu, 9 Sep (10.00pg - 4.00ptg) Ahad, 10 Sep (11.00pg - 3.00ptg)

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Live our faith: LGBTQ and the Catholic position

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.



MASS OFFERINGS

Weekday mass offerings: at least 48 hours in advance.

Weekend mass offerings: before 12pm Wednesday

Email receipt & details* to masscdmmsgara@gmail.com

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Parish Priest speaks...

Today's Gospel begins with the theme of Jesus' prediction of His approaching suffering and death. Peter's immediate reaction to it, like our own natural reaction, is to reject the very idea. "God forbid, Lord! No such thing shall ever happen to you." To better understand what prompted this conversation, we can go back to what preceded it. It began in the passage we read last Sunday, where Peter boldly declared that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the Son of the living God, and Jesus declared that Peter is the rock on which He will build His Church. After that, Jesus "strictly ordered His disciples to tell no one that He was the Christ." This was a surprise: Jesus affirmed Peter's insight, but then He told them not to tell anyone. The reason for this apparent contradiction is the theme for the week that Jesus, is a suffering Messiah.

The challenge was the idea that suffering is part of God's plan. This idea is so foreign to our nature that we will still find it extremely hard to accept. When we hear about people suffering, we feel sorry for them. When they die, we take consolation that at least their suffering has come to an end. When we ourselves suffer, we long for it to end. How are we to readily understand Peter's reaction. This is always how we react when we "think as human beings do." Jesus reveals that there is another way to think about suffering, that is, as God does.

Just as Peter's realization that Jesus is the Messiah came as a revelation from the Father, so too our understanding of the real meaning of suffering must come from the Father, through His Son, the suffering Messiah. When we accept what God has revealed—even though our flesh will continue to resist it we come to see the glory of the Cross of Jesus Christ, as well as how we are blessed to share in it. Jesus makes it very clear that taking up our cross is an essential part of being a disciple; "Whoever wished to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." We can strive to 'save our lives' by avoiding all suffering, but even if we succeed in doing so, what will we gain? Even if we gain the entire world, it is of no lasting profit for us if we lose the rich reward Jesus gives to His faithful followers.

The prophets Jeremiah often wrestled with the contradictory experience of following the will of God. In the first reading, he

complains that he has obeyed the Lord and spoken in His name, and the result is that now he is an object of laughter. The people, instead of heeding the prophet's message, mock and reject him. Jeremiah is doing what is right, yet he is suffering more because of his faithfulness. This is why he protests to the Lord, "You duped me!" Jeremiah is tempted to give up his preaching mission. He could save himself a lot of trouble if he simply remained silent. This superficially appealing option fails, however, because, in order to 'save his life, he would have to destroy himself interiorly. The Word of God, he says, "becomes like a fire burning in my heart, imprisoned in my bones." This is the prophet's personal experience of what Jesus means by saying, "whoever wishes to save his life will lose it." When we 'think as human beings do' and reject suffering, we actually ruin ourselves. When we 'think as God does' and make an offering of our life for others, we find a much greater life.

Suffering, then, is not an end in itself but it is a pathway to glory. Jesus has taken on the full weight of human suffering and transformed it, giving it life-giving value. This is why we willingly display the crucifix instead of rejecting it. While we try to alleviate suffering through legitimate means, at the same time we strive to see it from God's perspective, to find its deeper meaning. When we look at a crucifix, we are reminded that God does not see suffering as something to be avoided at all costs. He knows how to bring good out of suffering.

St. Paul understands that the way of the Cross is the way of glory. He had experienced it himself. This is why he can so strongly encourage us to embrace this way: "offer your bodies as a living sacrifice." Paul knows that the idea of sacrifice which is voluntary suffering does not fit the world's way of thinking. We are no longer to think as the world does, or to judge by the world's standards. Rather we are called to "be transformed by the renewal of our minds" so that we "may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." To be able to do this, we need to fix our gaze on Christ Crucified. He is risen but His Cross, His Passion, is our strength. "The way of perfection passes by way of the Cross." There is no holiness without renunciation and spiritual warfare. Living by God's will, no matter what form the Cross may take in our lives, is what leads to our glory with Him.

MASS & PRAYER TIMES	DAY	DESCRIPTION	PARISH / DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS
DM Chaplet 8.30am Mass 9.00am	SUN 03 Sept	22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Jer 20: 7-9 Rom 12: 1-2 Mt 16: 21-27	Wedding Banns: Sat, 16 Sep at 3.00pm (Wedding Service) Paul Lim Siang Yih & Gun An Gie If anyone knows of any canonical impediments to the proposals of marriage stated, please contact the parish priest.
No Mass	MON 04 Sept		Note: For couples intending to get married in church, please make an appointment with the Parish Priest at least 6 months before the intended date of marriage.
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am	TUE 05 Sept	DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Baptism: Sun, 3 Sept at 11.00am Hezraa Haviana Janelle & Jayven Chiang By the grace and gift of new life through Baptism, we too are called to witness the life and hope that are within us.
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am	WED 06 Sept	DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Note: If you have a child waiting for baptism, kindly contact the Parish Office / Parish Priest for the necessary arrangements.
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am	THU 07 Sept	DM Chaplet 3.00pm	No CLOW/Catechism during school holidays: 26 Aug - 3 Sep Dates: Sundays 10, 17 & 24 Sep 2023 Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW): 9.00am Catechism: 10.45am
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am	FRI 08 Sep	DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Dates: Sundays, 10 & 24 Sep 2023 CDM Learning Centre: 2.00pm RCIA Journey #10 (2023/2024): Every Sunday (10.30am—1.00pm) at 3rd floor classrooms.
Novena for OMPh 5.15pm Mass 5.30pm	SAT 09 Sep	St Peter Claver, Priest	BEC Leaders' Meeting: Tue, 5 Sep at 8.30pm Basic Ecclesial Community: an area-based grouping of 10-20 families, where there's a sense of belonging, faith sharing, life witnessing and service in love & hope.
DM Chaplet 8.30am Mass 9.00am	SUN 10 Sep	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Ez 33: 7-9 Rom 13: 8-10 Mt 18: 15-20	"COME, BE MY LIGHT": A DAY OF RECOLLECTION In conjunction with the Feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta and the International Day of Charity. Discover Mother Teresa's unshakable faith & extraordinary charity. Date/Time: Tue, 5 Sep (8.00pm to 9.30pm) Speaker: Sr. Fatima Emmanuel (Samaritan Hope Home) Register for Zoom link: https://shrturl.app/4fl0r3

Prayers & Meditation

Tuesdays—Fridays at 3.00pm

Divine Mercy prayer group: St. JP II Adoration Room

Wed, 6 Sep at 7.30pm

English Christian Meditation: Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

Wed, 20 Sep at 8.30pm

English Christian Meditation: St. JP II Adoration Room

Wed, 13 & 27 Sep at 8.15pm

CDM Charismatic Renewal Group —St. Faustina Hall

"For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." - Matthew 16:25

REFLECTION:

Do I see suffering, not as an end, but as a pathway to glory?

Is mortification and self-discipline, which is death to self, a part of my spiritual life?

Do I take time to ponder the crucifix as the sign of God's mercy in the midst of suffering?

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION (JOHN MAIN TRADITION)

A campaign in partnership with Penang Harmonico leading up to International Day of Peace on Thur, 21 Sep. One of the sessions will be led by the CHS Meditation Group.
Details: **Wed, 6 Sep (7.30pm)** at St. Mark/Luke Room (CHS)
 Registration link: <https://shrturl.app/NIQmxs>

SNEHAM MALAYSIA: MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Second session Parents, Caregivers & Teachers.

Date/Time: **Sat, 9 Sept (10.00am to 12.30pm)**

Venue: St. Faustina Hall, CDM

FUN WALK: JOURNEYING TOGETHER

A colouring contest for children in three age categories. Bring your own materials. Only colouring pencils allowed.
Details: **Sat, 16 Sep at 9.30am** at St. Faustina Hall, CDM
 Register by **Sun, 10 Sep:** <https://shorturl.at/bhNR0>
 Contact: Helen (012-4710081) or Kevin (012-4841890).
 Fun Walk T-Shirt collection: **Sat, 9 Sep (10.00am-4.00pm)**
Sun, 10 Sep (11.00am-3.00pm)