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# CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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Parish Office Hours: Closed on Monday

9.00am - 5.00pm (Tuesday - Friday) | 9.00am - 1.00pm (Saturday & Sunday)



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## Parish Priests speaks...

On this Second Sunday of Lent, the liturgy leads us to the mountain top, to Mount Tabor to contemplate the event of the Transfiguration, in which Jesus allows the disciples Peter, James and John, a foretaste of the glory of the Resurrection: a glimpse of heaven on earth. Jesus transfigured on the mountain, which is the place of light, a fascinating symbol of the unique experience reserved to the three disciples. They go up the mountain with the Master, they see Him immersed in prayer and, at a certain point, "the appearance of His countenance was altered." Moses and Elijah appear beside Jesus and speak with Him about His forthcoming "exodus," that is, of His Paschal death and Resurrection. Then Peter exclaims: "Master, it is well that we are here." He wished that moment of grace would never end!

The Transfiguration occurs at a precise moment in Christ's mission, that is, after He has confided to His disciples that He would have to "suffer many things, be killed, and on the third day be raised." Jesus knows that they do not accept this reality of the Cross, the reality of His death and so He wants to prepare them to withstand the scandal of the passion and death on the Cross, so that they may know that this is the way through which the heavenly Father will lead by raising Him from the dead. And this will also be the way for the disciples, for no one can reach eternal life if not by following Jesus, carrying their own cross in their earthly life. Each of us has his or her own cross. The Lord reveals to us the end of this journey, which is the Resurrection, by carrying one's own cross.

This Lent, let us also go up the mountain with Jesus! Let us climb the mountain with prayer: silent prayer, heartfelt prayer, prayer that always seeks the Lord. Let us pause for some time in reflection, a little each day, let us fix our inner gaze at His countenance and let us allow His light to permeate us and shine in our lives. Jesus was transfigured, "as He was praying." He was immersed in an intimate dialogue with the Father in which the Law and the Prophets, Moses and Elijah adhered with His entire being to the Father's will of salvation, including the Cross, the glory of God flooded Him, even shining on the outside. This is how prayer in Christ Jesus and in the Holy Spirit transforms the person from the inside and can illuminate others and the surrounding world. How often have we found people who illuminate, who exude light from their eyes, who have that luminous gaze! They pray, and prayer does this: it makes us luminous with the light of the Holy Spirit.

Let us joyfully continue our Lenten journey. Let us make room for prayer and for the Word of God which the liturgy abundantly offers us these days. May the Virgin Mary teach us to abide with Christ even when we do not understand or comprehend Him, because only by abiding with Him will we see His glory.

**"This is my chosen Son; listen to Him." - Luke 9:35**

- How can I make my Lenten practices more meaningful?
- In what ways can I get into them more deeply?
- How do I see the glory of Easter through them?

## PARISH / DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Mass Collections

Sat, 8 Mar: RM1660.20

Sun, 9 Mar: RM3441.62 (9.00am) & RM351.00 (6.00pm)



### GOTONG-ROYONG

Date/Time: **Sat, 12 Apr from 8.00am**

Many hands make light work! Do bring along some rags and extra cleaning equipment to clean the church in preparation for Easter and our Divine Mercy feast! Lunch will be prepared.

### JUBILEE OF FAMILIES - ENHANCING FAMILY LIFE

In alignment with the Jubilee Year of Hope, the Penang Diocesan Family Life Ministry is organising an event to help families build resilience & coping mechanisms when facing crisis. Date: Sat, 21 June & Sun, 22 June 2025

Venue: Domus St. Anne, Minor Basilica of St. Anne, BM

fee: RM120.00 per non-stay in couple / RM240 for stay-in couple. Meals provided for all.

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/Jubilee-Families> or contact Theresa (017-5788 192)

### LENTEN CONFESSIONS: PENANG ISLAND DEANERY

Mon, 17 Mar	10.00am & 8.00pm	Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
Tue, 18 Mar	10.00am & 8.00pm	Church of Our Lady of Sorrows
Wed, 19 Mar	10.00am & 8.00pm	Risen Christ Catholic Church
Thur, 20 Mar	10.00am (M) & 8.00pm (M&E)	Church of the Holy Name of Jesus
<b>Wed, 2 Apr</b>	<b>10.00am &amp; 8.00pm</b>	<b>Church of Divine Mercy</b>
Thur, 3 Apr	10.00am & 8.00pm	Church of the Immaculate Conception



### LITURGICAL SEMINAR: THEORY & PRACTICAL (in Bahasa Malaysia)

"Friends, let's follow this seminar with an open and loving heart. As liturgical ministers, we are called to renew the spirit in our service. May each session bring us closer to God and our neighbors."

Date/Time: **Sat, 29 Mar & Sun, 30 Mar (8.30am - 5.00pm)**

Venue: St. Faustina Hall, CDM

Registration fee: RM35

Contact for registrations: JieJie (011-483 816) or Jusnie (016-897 0534)

### DRY FOOD CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED

CDM Caritas will be preparing LENTEN Baskets for dry food donations. Please be considerate and check **expiry dates** and packaging conditions before dropping them off. You can also place your LENTEN contribution envelopes in the box provided at the church entrance.

Adult Diapers (size L)

Beverages: Coffee/Tea/Milk/Milo

Rice (5kg)

Dry Noodles/Bee Hoon

Flour

Ketchup/ Chilli Sauce

Canned Food

Cooking Oil (5kg)

Cereal/Oats

Curry Powder

Washing Detergent



Mass & Prayer Times	Date	Description
<b>DM Chaplet</b> 8.30am Children 9.00am Animated Mass	<b>Sun</b> <b>16 Mar</b>	<b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b> Gen 15: 5-12, 17-18 Phil 3: 17 - 4: 1 (or 3: 20 - 4: 1) Lk 9: 28-36
No Mass	<b>Mon</b> <b>17 Mar</b>	St Patrick, Bishop
<b>Lauds</b> 6.20am <b>Mass</b> 6.45am <b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm	<b>Tue</b> <b>18 Mar</b>	St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor
<b>Lauds</b> 6.20am <b>Mass</b> 6.45am <b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm	<b>Wed</b> <b>19 Mar</b>	St. Joseph, Spouse of the B.V.M
<b>Lauds</b> 6.20am <b>Mass</b> 6.45am <b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm	<b>Thu</b> <b>20 Mar</b>	
<b>DM Chaplet</b> 3.00pm <b>WOC</b> 8.00pm followed by Mass	<b>Fri</b> <b>21 Mar</b>	
<b>Lauds</b> 6.20am <b>Mass</b> 6.45am <b>Novena to OMPH</b> 5.15pm <b>Mass</b> 5.30pm	<b>Sat</b> <b>22 Mar</b>	
<b>DM Chaplet</b> 8.30am <b>Mass</b> 9.00am	<b>Sun</b> <b>23 Mar</b>	<b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b> Ex 3: 1-8, 13-15 1 Cor 10: 1-6, 10-12 Lk 13:1-9



Charismatic Renewal Group:  
**Wed, 26 Mar 2025 (8.15pm)** at St. Faustina Hall  
Christian Meditation:  
**Wed, 19 Mar 2025 (8.30pm)** at St JP II Adoration Room