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My dear sisters and brothers,

Greetings of Peace & Easter blessings be upon you.

Christus Resurrexit! Christ is Risen!

The greatest feast of the Christian year begins with a new flame. Bringing light out of darkness, the new flame of the Paschal Candle is a symbol of Christ's resurrection. It casts its radiance upon us to remind us that in baptism we have risen with Christ. Our baptism certificate is a page from His saving life story. We share and reflect His glory. Our hearts and minds are bright with His Spirit. From the darkest tomb, God kindles a fire, a new flame, a new hope, that will never go out.

We are reminded on the night of Easter vigil that the flame of our Paschal Candle stands in direct continuity with those first Easter fires. It recommissions us for missionary discipleship: Why look for someone who is alive among the dead? The Lord Jesus has risen as He said. Easter is not a day, for it is a way of life and it is a way to life. For the next fifty days the new light of Easter will burn vividly in the paschal candle, the pillar of fire which banishes the darkness and glows to the honour of our God.

This candle has no purpose but to spend itself for the glory of the Risen Christ. Like our bodies, it is marked with the cross, with the signs of beginning and of ending. It's dating reflects our lifespan. Its studs connect Christ's wounds with ours and the incense within them signifies His prayerful offering to the Father to which we are united in worship and praise. The flame is the living fire of Jesus' love, burning inextinguishably within us.

My dear friends, Easter is the most important feast we celebrate as Christian people precisely because that's exactly what has happened in Resurrection of our Lord Jesus from the dead: the stone has been rolled away, death and darkness have been defeated, and life has triumphed. We need to take this mysterious, wondrous fact as personally as we can.

This Easter, let us find within our faith the sustenance and resolve to proclaim, "He is risen." And we rejoice saying, "Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia." May God bless you with abundant faith, serenity, and joy this Easter.

Blessed Easter!!!

Fr. Michael Raymond OFM. Cap

PARISH / DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARENTING MADE EASY

Organised by the Institute for New Evangelization & CDM Family Life Ministry for all parents & guardians wrestling physically, mentally, and spiritually in bringing up our little disciples and saints. Let's gather and refocus our parenthood mission through 'Disciplining with Love'.

Date/Time: **Thur, 1 May 2025 at 10.00am - 12.00pm**

Venue: St. Faustina Hall

Participants are encouraged to attend Mass at 8.00am followed by Rosary and breakfast.

Children above 10yo and little ones can accompany the adults during the session while kiddos 4-10yo will have a separate activity at the 1st floor classrooms.

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/kx7CRUNTr6N7eKzV8>

Contact: Lawrence (012-4108360) or Esther (012-4529462)

ROOTED IN PRAYER, BEARING FRUIT IN FAITH

A Prayer Retreat specially organised to deepen your prayer experience and to learn from the Putri Karmel Sisters. Fr Larry Tan, SJ, will be giving a talk on "Mindfulness-Based Coping Skills (MBCS)" and presiding the Mass on the final day of the Retreat.

Dates: **Fri, 23 May to Sun, 25 May (registration closes 15 May)**

Venue: Monastery of the Putri Karmel Sisters, Balik Pulau

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/oEJa1fUJxPRVxSDx7>

Contact: Jeanne J Saw (016-455 4597)

MODELING JESUS, LEADING WITH PURPOSE: A WORKSHOP FOR CATECHETICAL LEADERS

An evangelising catechists leadership formation for all serving leaders in the Catechetical Ministry and also potential and passionate ECs. English/multilingual ECs are highly encouraged to sign up for this leadership training session.

Date: **Sat, 31 May - Mon, 2 June 2025. (Registration closes 18 May)**

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

Fee: RM200.00/pax. Meals provided for all.

Register: <https://forms.gle/ofZoc4R3Bo4MP8Dx7> or contact Jeanne J Saw (016-455 4597)

HO-CHIAK FOOD & FUN FAIR BY MT MIRIAM CANCER HOSPITAL

Date/Time: **Sun, 22 June from 9.00am-2.00pm.**

Get your tickets in support and join in the vibrant celebration of community, featuring an array of delicious food and shared fellowship. The organising team will be setting up a counter at the church porch after Mass on **Sat, 17 May & Sun, 18 May.**

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (Penang)

A scriptural based retreat for anyone (man/woman) struggling with the emotional and spiritual pain of abortion. This stay-in retreat is specially designed to help participants experience the mercy, compassion, love and healing grace of God.

Dates: **Fri, 27 June - Sun, 29 June 2025. Closing date 20 May**

Contact: Mary (016-419 0538) or rachelsvineyard.my@gmail.com.

All communication strictly confidential.

GOD IS WITH ME - PRIMARY SCHOOL CAMP 2025

This camp aims to help our children understand that God is their source of courage and strength, to trust in Him and the power of prayer in their faith journey. Open to catechism children from Std 1 (7yo) to Std 6 (12yo).

Date/Time: **Sat, 5 July from 8.30am to 4.00pm. Registrations start in May**

Donations are greatly appreciated for meals and T-shirts.

For enquiry, contact: Justine See (012477-5860) or Loke Yüing Jia (012 4793586)

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

A retreat to rejuvenate your relationship and strengthen the marital bonds with God.

Dates: **Fri, 16 May - Sun, 18 May 2025 (Mandarin-speaking couples)**


Fri, 10 Oct - Sun, 12 Oct 2025 (English-speaking couples)

Fee: RM50/couple

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

Registration link: <https://shorturl.at/wDTBQ>

Contact: Bernard & Sharlotte (010-789 4500) or Joseph & Christine (012-403 0968)

Mass & Prayer Times	Date	Description
DM Novena Easter Mass	9.00am 9.30am	Sun 20 Apr
		Easter Sunday Acts 10: 34, 37-43 Col 3:1-4 (or 1 Cor 5:6-8) Jn 20:1-9 (or Lk 24:1-12)
DM Novena followed by Mass <i>PILGRIMS OF HOPE</i>	8.00pm	Mon 21 Apr
		Monday within Easter Octave
DM Novena followed by Mass <i>HOPE THROUGH RECONCILIATION</i>	8.00pm	Tue 22 Apr
		Tuesday within Easter Octave
DM Novena followed by Mass <i>HOPE IN THE EUCHARIST</i>	8.00pm	Wed 23 Apr
		Wednesday within Easter Octave
DM Novena followed by Mass <i>HOPE IN THE GOSPEL</i>	8.00pm	Thu 24 Apr
		Thursday within Easter Octave
DM Novena followed by Mass <i>MISSIONARIES OF HOPE</i>	8.00pm	Fri 25 Apr
		Friday within Easter Octave
DM Novena followed by Mass & Veneration of Relics <i>INSPIRING HOPE AGAINST ALL HOPE</i>	5.00pm	Sat 26 Apr
		
Mass followed by Procession with DM Chaplet & Benediction	3.00pm	Sun 27 Apr
		Divine Mercy Sunday Acts 5: 12-16 Rev 1: 9-13, 17-19 Jn 20:19-31

Wedding Banns: Sat, 10 May '24 | Service at 11.00am

Martin a/I Silvam & Renuka a/p Ganasan

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

Mass Collections

Sat, 12 Apr: RM2700.60

Sun, 13 Apr: (9.00am) RM4183.80

(6.00pm) RM1198.45

