



# CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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



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### Parish Priest speaks...

The Fourth Sunday of Easter, is often referred to as "Good Shepherd Sunday." The Gospel passage recounts Jesus saying, "My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." We who strive to live as followers of Jesus are His sheep, and He says His sheep hear His voice. Yet we do not always hear Him. There are times when we do hear Him speak deep within ourselves. Perhaps, we listen too often only with our ears rather than with our hearts. In the first reading, Paul, and Barnabas, who are good listeners and faithful sheep, show that they are also shepherds and pastors. They boldly proclaim the Word of God in Antioch. Seeing the Apostles' success in bringing souls to accept Christ, the local Jews react with jealousy and begin to violently contradict whatever Paul says. Whereupon he announces that he will turn to the Gentiles, who are delighted to receive the good news. The Gentiles, looked down upon by the Jews, are filled with gratitude and joy at being favoured by the Lord. They become members of the Lord's flock tended by Paul and Barnabas. The Lord spoke to the hearts of the Gentiles through the ministry of the Apostles. The Gospel message was not simply about what they had to do, but about accepting who they are, children of the Father, set free by the Life, Death, and Resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ. Next, Paul and Barnabas become targets of religious persecution by the "women of prominence" and "the leading men of the city." Persecution has the paradoxical effect of uniting the believers and thereby strengthening the Church.

Perhaps, this is what the Lord is doing today as the Church faces scandals and attacks from within as well as from outside.

Sheep are not among God's most intelligent creatures. Without a shepherd, they are quite vulnerable. When attacked by wolves, they scatter and then, having no defense, simply cower and await their fate. The shepherd's task is multifold because He protects them, leads them to good pasture for food, and directs them to the safety of the sheepfold at night. The sheep know little about all this, but they do recognise their shepherd's voice. To follow that voice means everything for them. What really interferes with our being faithful followers of the Good Shepherd is our lack of faith. The fundamental message of the Easter Season is that the risen life comes after suffering and death. But part of us is not yet convinced that if we let go and die to ourselves, we will be raised up to new life. Each of us shares this same call and destiny: to hear and to follow Jesus to the house of the Father. And no one can take us out of the Father's hand!

**"My sheep hear my voice; I know them, and they follow me." – John 10:27**

- Why do I tend to listen with my ears rather than with my heart?
- Who has been my role model, my shepherd, in my life?
- When do I tend to forget that the risen life only comes after suffering and death?

### PARISH / DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wedding Banns: Sat, 31 May 2025 | Wedding Service at 11.00am**  
**SAGILEN A/P MARIAPAH & SYBIL MARIA LANGAN**

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

**Coffee Morning on Sun, 11<sup>th</sup> May will be organised by BEC Zone L at St. Faustina Hall.**  
**In conjunction with Mother's Day, free breakfast & coffee for mums!**

### EASTER CELEBRATION BY CDM YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

Inviting all young adults (21-39 years old) to an afternoon of faith, fellowship and fun!  
Do bring a snack to share! Contact: Sachin (017-4745737)  
Date/Time/Venue: **Sat, 17 May 2025 (2.00pm-4.30pm)** at St. Faustina Hall

### WALKING IN HOPE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Let's prepare our hearts for Pentecost alongside retreat masters from Elavur Divine Mercy Retreat Centre, Chennai, Fr. Daniel Raj Devraj V.C. and Fr. William John Bosco V.C. with praise and worship, Mass and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, spiritual inputs and healing prayers.  
Dates: **Tues, 20 May & Wed, 21 May from 7.30pm to 10.00pm**  
Venue: Church of Divine Mercy, Penang  
Registration link: <https://forms.gle/xyLCJ8xZuAqSlhH88> (No registration fees)  
Contact: Steven (012-4778270)

### JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025 PILGRIMAGE

CDM Family Life Ministry is organising a trip to two of the pilgrim churches within the Penang Diocese: Church of the Holy Name of Mary, Permatang Tinggi & Chapel of Annai Vellanganny, Jelapang. Fee inclusive of water, lunch & dinner, priest stipend & token to the chapel, and insurance. Fee: RM110/pax (children 4yr and below not charged). **Registrations close Sun, 1 June 2025.**  
Date/Time: **Sat, 7 June 2025; departure from CDM 8.00am and estimated arrival back 9.00pm**  
Registration link: <https://forms.gle/Rdz28uKJi9nDG6tB7> or meet at the church porch  
Contact: Lawrence (012-4108360) or Esther (012-4529462).

### FEAST OF ST. PIO OF PETRELCINA PILGRIMAGE

Let's join our parish priest, Fr. Michael Raymond OFM.Cap the main celebrant of the feast of Padre Pio at St. Pio Spirituality Centre, Ulu Tiram. Limited seats available.  
Fee: RM500/pax (inclusive of flight ticket & local bus transfer, hotel stay one night with breakfast).  
Dates: **Sat, 20 Sep – Sun, 21 Sep 2025. Registration closes 25 May**  
Contact: Sarah (016-4212395) or Rowena (012-4749472)

### CATHOLIC FORMATION FOR EVANGELIZERS (CFE)

A formation by the School for New Evangelization (SNE) under the Penang Diocesan New Evangelization Commission (PDNEC) to encourage, prepare and equip Catholics to effectively witness and present the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Fee is RM20/pax  
Registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/CFEatRCC> **Registrations close 31 May**  
Dates/Time: **Sat, 14 June (8.00am-4.30pm) & Sun, 15 June (11.00am-7.30pm)**  
Venue: Peter Shyu Hall, Risen Christ Catholic Church, Air Itam

### MODELING JESUS, LEADING WITH PURPOSE: CATECHISTS LEADERSHIP FORMATION

Organized by the Penang Diocesan Catechetical Commission (PDCC) in collaboration with the Institute for New Evangelization (INE).  
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)

### 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 rachel.vineyard.my@gmail.com.  
All communication strictly confidential.

Mass & Prayer Times	Date	Description
Rosary 8.30am Mass 9.00am	Sun 11 May	<b>GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY</b> 4th Sunday of Easter Acts 13: 14, 43-52 Rev 7: 9, 14-17 Jn 10: 27-30
No Mass	Mon 12 May	SS. Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs St Pancras, Martyr
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Tue 13 May	Our Lady of Fatima
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Wed 14 May	St Matthias, Apostle
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Thu 15 May	
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Fri 16 May	
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am Novena to OMPH 5.15pm Mass 5.30pm	Sat 17 May	
Rosary 8.30am Mass 9.00am	Sun 18 May	<b>5th Sunday of Easter</b> Acts 14: 21-27 Rev 21: 1-5 Jn 13: 31-35

### Charismatic Renewal Group:

**Wed, 14 & 28 May 2025 (8.15pm)** at St. Faustina Hall

### Christian Meditation:

**Wed, 21 May 2025 (8.30pm)** at St JP II Adoration Room

Chinese Christian Meditation 基督徒默禱 (華文組)

**Thur, 12 Jun 2025 (8.30pm)** at St. JP II Adoration Room

### Mass Collections

Sat, 3 May: RM1798.20 (1<sup>st</sup> Collection)

RM2376.10 (2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)

Sun, 4 May: RM2998.40 (1<sup>st</sup> Collection)

RM2294.60 (2<sup>nd</sup> Collection)

