



CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY

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Parish Priest speaks...

The theme for this week focuses on Jesus calling us to be "the light of the world." We can only be light if we receive light, which is why we open our hearts daily to the Word of God: "Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light for my path" (Ps 119:105). As God's Word takes root and grows in our hearts, it becomes a great light which shines out from us to bring light to those around us. We need to capture that in the world we live; we have no light of our own, we struggle to be a beacon of light. We are called to be the light, to shine brightly with the light of Christ, lighting up the darkness of the world and helping those around us to find their way.

Isaiah pictures the darkness of the world in its sinful condition described in the first reading. He mentions the hungry, the oppressed, the homeless, and the naked. Here Isaiah is urging his hearers to help those without food and shelter in the most literal sense. But we can also see in his prophecy a call to help those who hunger for truth and love, who are oppressed by the weight of sin, who feel unwelcome and unloved, and who have been stripped of their human dignity. As Isaiah tells us, all these people are our own, and we must not turn our backs on them. We are called to share what we have with them. Today's Psalm also points out that as we receive light from God, we ourselves become a light for others. "The just man is a light in darkness to the upright." When we follow the Word of God, we find that this word is a light shining for us in the darkness. The Psalm teaches us the importance of maintaining a strong commitment to keeping the word in our hearts: "His heart is firm, trusting in the LORD." And we see that the just one gives to the poor "lavishly." When we keep God's Word in our hearts, we are able to give lavishly, generously, to those around us because we have in His Word an inexhaustible

source. We give not merely what we have in ourselves, but what we have received from Christ. We can recall what Peter said to the lame man who asked him for alms: "I have neither silver nor gold, but what I do have I give you: in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazorean, rise and walk" (Acts 3:6).

For our hearts to be truly open to God's Word, however, we must remain in deepest humility, always remembering our own weaknesses and littleness, and acknowledging that all we do is by the power of God at work in us. In the Gospel Acclamation, Jesus says of Himself, "I am the light of the world." And in the Gospel, He tells His disciples, "You are the light of the world." What do we learn from this? First, as we have been saying, the light is His; He is the light. But He calls us to be light, which means that He is transforming us into an image of Himself. We are to continue His mission in the world, bringing light and healing to those around us, for the glory of the Father. We are called to be the light of Christ in the world! Let us open our hearts to His transforming word, that His light may grow ever brighter in us.

"Your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

Matthew 5:16

- In what ways do I reflect the light of Christ to my family, workplace, parish, or community?
- Do I recognise that I am only a reflection of Christ's light, like the moon to the sun or do I sometimes act as if the light were my own?
- How am I called to bring light to those who are hungry, oppressed, homeless, or stripped of dignity in both physical and spiritual ways?

Mass & Prayer Times

Date

Description

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER & AWARENESS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

DM Chaplet 8.30am **Sun** Is 58: 7-10
BM Mass 9.00am **8 Feb** 1 Cor 2: 1-5
 Mt 5: 13-16

No Mass **Mon**
9 Feb

Lauds 6.20am
Mass 6.45am **Tue** St Scholastica, Virgin
10 Feb

DM Chaplet 3.00pm

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Lauds 6.20am **Wed** Our Lady of Lourdes
Mass 6.45am **11 Feb**

DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am
Mass 6.45am **Thu**
12 Feb

DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Lauds 6.20am
Mass 6.45am **Fri**
13 Feb

DM Chaplet 3.00pm

Rosary 9.30am
Mass 10.00am **Sat** SS. Cyril, Monk, and
 (World Day of the Sick) **14 Feb** Methodius, Bishop

Novena to OMPH 5.15pm
Mass 5.30pm

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclus 15: 15-20
 1 Cor 2: 6-10
 Mt 5: 17-37
 (or 5: 20-22, 27-28, 33-34, 37)

DM Chaplet 8.30am **Sun**
Mass 9.00am **15 Feb**



PARISH / DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

MASS COLLECTIONS

Sat, 31 Jan (5.30pm): RM1669.90 (1st collection) RM1847.60 (Poor)
 Sun, 1 Feb (9.00am): RM3085.85 (1st collection) RM2452 (Poor)

SPECIAL YEAR OF ST FRANCIS (10 JAN 2026-2027)

To commemorate the 800th anniversary of the passing of St. Francis of Assisi, Pope Leo XIV has declared a special jubilee year. The relic of St. Francis will be venerated and displayed at the reliquarium after Mass on Sun, 8 Feb.

The first **BEC Coffee Morning** will be by Zone J on **Sun, 8 Feb 2026** at St. Faustina Hall after morning Mass. Your generous support will be greatly appreciated as all proceeds will go towards the new multipurpose community centre.

The **D'vine Gift Shop** will be having a minor pop-up sale section at St. Faustina Hall for the next two weekends (**7 & 8 Feb, 14 & 15 Feb**). The main shop area will remain closed for stock taking until March.

GOD'S WISDOM REVEALED BY THE SPIRIT

Young Adults Ministry (YAM) are inviting all young adults for a bible sharing and reflection on a passage from the weekend's readings. Bring your bible and join us!

Date/Time: **Thur, 12 February 2026. Doors open at 7.30pm**
 Venue: RCIA Room, 3rd Floor Classrooms
 Contact: Sachin (017-4745737)

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Date/Time: **Sat, 14 February 2026 at 10.00am (Rosary at 9.30am)**
 Register your sick or elderly family and BEC members with the Communion Ministers at the church porch after Mass.

EXPERIENCE THE VIA DOLOROSA AT CDM

Register as a family to experience the way of the cross during **Fridays in Lent (8.00pm)** followed by Mass). Meet the Parish Liturgical Team at the church porch after weekend Masses from **31 Jan 2026**.

RETROUVILLE LIVE-IN WEEKEND (ENGLISH)

There is HOPE for a better marriage. If you feel that your spouse has grown apart, or if you are considering separation or even divorce, know that healing is still possible, the Retrouville Weekend offers a supportive and confidential environment where couples can work together toward rebuilding their relationships.

Dates: **Fri, 6 March - Sun, 8 March 2026**
 Contact: Francis (016-3330660) or Angelina: (012-2072150) or email retrouville@familylife.archkl.org All communication will be strictly confidential

CATHOLIC SINGLES DATING HUB WEEKEND

Organised by the Penang Diocesan Family Life Ministry designed to bring together our Catholic singles and help them discern God's call to the Sacrament of Marriage.

Dates: **Fri, 17 Apr - Sun, 19 Apr 2026**
 Venue: Domus St. Anne, Minor Basilica of St. Anne BM
 Registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/9th-CSDH> closing date 31 Mar
 Contact: Maria (019-480 6281) or Theresa (017-578 8192)



Charismatic Renewal Group:
Wed, 11 & 25 February 2026 (7.15pm) at St. Faustina Hall
 Christian Meditation:
Wed, 04 & 18 March 2026 (8.30pm) at St JP II Adoration Room