

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...

As we step into the reflections this weekend, we are confronted with the conflict between faith and fear. Faith as we are aware is one of the cardinal virtues we received in Baptism. Fear is an inborn protective emotional reaction that arises when we perceive a threat to our safety, health, or well-being. Faith grows when we put it into practice, when we make decisions to trust in God, and when we pray and receive the Sacraments of the Church. Fear can also grow from our earliest years we have learned, sometimes through painful experiences, what we should avoid for example, touching a hot stove. The question before us is whether we will live by fear or by faith.

In our first reading today, Jeremiah recounts his terrible experience of being surrounded by former friends who are now hostile enemies. As a faithful prophet, he has told the Israelites of the punishment God planned to inflict on them for their offering of human sacrifices and their worship of Baal. In response, the people are resistant. Rather than give up their sinful ways, they try to take control of the situation by getting rid of the prophet.

Human nature does not change. In our fear, we try many means of controlling situations and avoiding people we find too threatening or unpleasant. Sometimes mothers who are fearful and over-protective of their children hover over them so much they are referred to as "helicopter moms." Some married couples are so fearful of the responsibility and the cost of having more children that they resort to artificial contraception and ignore the efficacy of Natural Family Planning. News on the internal conflicts and wars in different parts of the world especially in the Middle East, Russia, and Ukraine, on natural and man-made calamities, has shown us how fearful we can be. We all have natural fears for ourselves and our loved ones.

Jeremiah is just as human as we are. He is obviously not thrilled to hear the malcontent whisperings of people who are out to denounce him and take vengeance on him for speaking the truth. He fears for his mission and for his life. However, he quickly moves from fear to faith, proclaiming, "But the LORD is with me, like a mighty champion: my persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph." The prophet turns to the Lord, who knows exactly what is going on, who tests the just and probes mind and heart. To the Lord Jeremiah says, "to you I have entrusted my cause." Jeremiah has in an instant moment overcome his fear with faith. Fear always makes the will of God look threatening or impossible. We have been set free from the chains of fear, however, by the power of grace.

In the second reading, St. Paul teaches that while we have inherited from Adam a condition of sin and death, we have also received a gift that far surpasses it. Now the "the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one-man Jesus Christ" is overflowing for us all. When we put our faith in Jesus Christ, we rely on this overflowing grace, a gift more powerful than any of the earthly threats we may fear. We are reminded that our souls are in the care of God our Father, who watches over every detail of our lives, even counting the hairs of our heads.

"Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul."
Matthew 10:28

- How can fear lead me to forget that God does have a part to play in my life?
- How can the faith of the prophet Jeremiah be a model for me as his faith casts out his fear?
- What are the obstacles in my life that cause fear and threatens my faith?

PARISH / DIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

MASS COLLECTIONS

Sat, 13 Jun (5.30pm): RM1418 (1st Collection) Sun, 14 Jun (9.00am): RM2550 (1st Collection)

ROOTED IN CHRIST: PRIMARY SCHOOL CAMP

Registrations are now open for children from Standard 1 to 6 (7-12 yr) focusing on helping children to understand the importance of being firmly grounded in Jesus, just like a tree drawing strength from its roots.

Date/Time: **Sat, 29 Aug 2026 (8.30am - 3.00pm)**

For any enquiries contact: Justine (012-477 5860), Yiing Jia (012-479 3586)

FUNDRAISING GALA DINNER

The CDM Tamil Apostolate is organising a gala dinner with entertainment and a lucky draw as a fundraiser for the new Multipurpose Community Centre. Tickets are priced at RM100/pax (10pax to a table) and will be on sale at the church porch from this weekend.

Date/Time: **Sun, 20 Sep 2026 (6.00pm)**

Venue: Cathedral of the Holy Spirit Hall, Greenlane

Contact: Kevin (012-484890) / Feona (014-9231381) / Thomas Devass (012-4951969) / Bernadette (010-4665905)

CHOICE WEEKEND 2026

Encouraging all single, working adults (21 - 40 yr) to come and be changed by this once in a lifetime experience.

Fee: RM150/pax (incl. board & meals)

English Weekend #63: **Fri, 4 Sep - Sun, 6 Sep 2026.**

Mandarin Weekend #13: **Fri, 14 Aug - Sun, 16 Aug 2026.**

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

Contact: Ester Boo -English (017-7794690) / Lawrence Soon-Mandarin (018-7913225)

CHOICE English KL #110

Dates/Venue: **Fri, 7 Aug - Sun, 9 Aug 2026** at Malaysia Bible Seminary, Rawang

Contact: Cynthia Ying (010-9851200)

PARENT-CHILD SEMINAR: PSYCHOLOGICAL NUTRITION AND SATIR LIFE MANAGEMENT

孩子的成长，不仅需要物质上的照顾，更需要被理解、被接纳与被肯定。父母的陪伴、倾听与回应，是孩子内心最重要的心理营养。

Children's growth requires not only material care but also understanding, acceptance, and affirmation. The companionship, listening, and response of parents are the most important psychological nourishment for a child's inner self. This talk will be held in Mandarin.

Date/Time: **Sun, 28 June (1.00pm - 5.00pm)** Registrations close 21 June

Venue: St John Paul II Formation Hall, Monsignor Aloysius Spirituality Center (MASC)

SPIRITUAL DISCERNMENTS IN CHARISMS FOR EVANGELISATION BY FR HUNG PHAM, S.J.

Just as language evolves in its cultural and historical context, discerning God's voice requires us to learn His "language" - the "many and various ways" which God continues to speak to us today.

Dates/Times: **Thurs 2 & 9, Mon, 13 July** (via Zoom) and **Sat, 18 & Sun, 19 Jul 2026** (Church of the Immaculate Conception, Pulau Tikus)

Registration* fee: RM50/pax (registration closes 21 June)

Mass & Prayer Times	Date	Description
		12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
DM Chaplet 8.30am Mass 9.00am	Sun 21 June	Jer 20:10-13 Rom 5:12-15 Mt 10:26-33
HAPPY Father's DAY		
No Mass	Mon 22 June	St Paulinus of Nola, Bishop SS. John Fisher, Bishop, & Thomas More, Martyrs
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Tue 23 June	
No Mass DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Wed 24 June	The Nativity of St John the Baptist
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Thu 25 June	
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am DM Chaplet 3.00pm	Fri 26 June	
Lauds 6.20am Mass 6.45am Novena to OMPH 5.15pm Mass 5.30pm	Sat 27 June	St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor
DM Chaplet 8.30am Mass 9.00am	Sun 28 June	13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4: 8-11, 14-16 Rom 6: 3-4, 8-11 Mt 10: 37-42

MEDITATION / CHARISMATIC

Charismatic Renewal Group:

Wed, 24 June, 15 & 29 Jul (8.00pm) at St. Faustina Hall

Christian Meditation:

Wed, 1 & 15 Jul (8.30pm) at St JP II Adoration Room



*Scan the Linktree QR Code at top right corner of the bulletin or check the parish's Whatsapp Channel for all registration links & further information.