NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

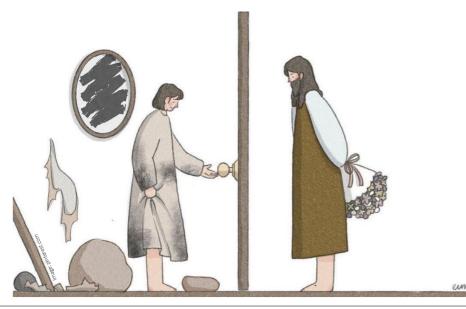
SALT OF THE EARTH AND LIGHT OF THE WORLD:

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING TOGETHER IN A SPIRIT OF COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION AND MISSION (MATTHEW 5: 13-16).

MONTHLY FOCUS LISTENING TO THE CRY OF THE EARTH

May Our Hearts Be Opened

phphatha...Be Opened." With a single command Jesus heals the deaf and dumb man. "His ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly". But this man couldn't ask Jesus what he wanted himself. Others had to bring him to the Lord.



"As stewards of God's creation, we are called to make the earth a beautiful garden for the human family."

Pope Francis



SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Isaiah 35: 4-7

Psalm 145: 7-10

James 2: 1-5

Mark 7: 31-37

INTERNAL CIRCULATION ONLY

They must have spoken up for the man, knowing that Jesus was special person. Their faith and conviction in Jesus must have impressed the Lord. He takes pity on the man and performs the miracle for the one who cannot do much for himself.

St James speaks of the distinction we sometimes make between people who cannot do much for themselves and for those who can. Sometimes, we too make a contrast between the "have's" and the "have-not's". It happens even within church circles. The ones with the influence, power and popularity often get the attention and have a "voice" whether in the family, church and society.

Our faith in Jesus must ensure that we become the "voice" for those who are voiceless and for the ones who cannot do much for themselves. We know that certainly the Lord wants to help everyone, and especially the weak, poor and marginalised, just as he did when he walked on earth.

This is the attitude we too must possess and demonstrate, to tell those who are weak, as written in Isaiah, "Say to those who are broken-hearted, do not be afraid, your God will come and save you". We become more like Jesus when we stand up for the lowly or those burdened by weakness and even failure. People need second chances.

Instead of sitting back and judging others, we too can take people to Jesus as we lift them in prayer and in service. We can make a difference and can give them another chance. So many around us need to experience a little healing or to hear someone say, "I am sorry" or "I care". So many of our hearts need to 'be opened'. This is what Jesus is asking of us as his disciples.

Indeed, this is his command, to love till it hurts. •

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2024 THEME SEPTEMBER

SALT OF THE EARTH AND LIGHT OF THE WORLD: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION AND MISSION **SERVANT LEADERSHIP**

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH	
Sep 08 (Sun)		23 RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)		
Is 35:4-7	8.00 am	MASS (M)	No Livestream , , ,	
Jm 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37	10.30 am	MASS (E)	Livestream	
14K 7.31-37	6.40 am	Lauds	St. Peter Claver	
Sep 09 (Mon)	7.00 am	MASS (E)	No Livestream	
			No Livestream	
Sep 10 (Tue)	6.40 am	Lauds	No Livestream	
	7.00 am	MASS (E)		
Sep 11 (Wed)	6.10 pm	Vespers	No Livestream	
	6.30 pm	MASS (E)		
Sep 12 (Thu)	6.10 pm	Vespers	The Most Holy Name of Mary	
	6.30 pm	MASS (E)	No Livestream	
Sep 13 (Fri)	6.10 pm	Vespers St. John Chrysostom, Bishop, Doctor		
	6.30 pm	MASS (E)	No Livestream	
Sep 14 (Sat)	6.40 am	Lauds The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Feast		
	7.00 am	MASS (E) No Livestream		
	5.30 pm	Novena to OMPH		
	6.00 pm	followed by MASS (E)	Livestream	
Sep 15 (Sun)			24 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)	
Is 50:5-9	8.00 am	MASS (M)	No Livestream	
Jm 2:14-18	12:14-18 10:30 am MASS (E) Livestroom			
Mk 8:27-35 10.30 and 11.433 (L) Livestream				

E = English M = Mandarin T = Tamil BM = Bahasa Malaysia

PLANS FOR UPCOMING MONTHS (Inclusivity, Care & Unity)

September - Month of Care

October - Month of Unity

November - Month of Inclusivity, Care & Unity

PARISH NEWS

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Offerings of Mass Intentions, financial giving of monthly tithing, love offerings or donations to the Parish can be made through online transfers to the following designated bank account:-

Online Payment for	Donations	Tithes	Sharing Hope Project
	Mass Offering		Outreach Projects
	Hall Booking		
	Wake Room Booking		
Bank	Public Bank Berhad	RHB Bank Berhad	RHB Bank Berhad
Account Number	309 3049812	20708 2000 39510	20708 2000 39928
Account Name	Cathedral of the Holy Spirit	Cathedral of the Holy Spirit	Cathedral CHS

Email Bank-in-Slip to admin@holyspiritcathedral.com

Our Collection on 31 August & 01 September 2024: RM 8.689.00 Our 2nd Collection on 31 August & 01 September 2024: RM 8,088.55

"God loves a cheerful giver." – 2 Cor. 9:7

PARISH PASTORAL ASSEMBLY | 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

In preparation for our upcoming CHS 2024 Parish Pastoral Assembly on Sunday, 29 September from 2pm-7pm, we need your help to register through the online google form https://forms.gle/eVPfbsSEsaPuTZ1bA to help us plan on the refreshments and logistics. We look forward to the sharing of our Church plans as we prepare together to embrace the Year of Hope.

2. SEPTEMBER 2024: MONTH OF CARING

LOVE YOURSELF - LOVE ONE ANOTHER - LOVE OUR COMMON HOME

Activities / Events Date 8 Sep Spiritual Bouquet with Legion of Mary To celebrate Blessed Virgin Mary, our mother's birthday, let us offer a spiritual bouquet comprising of continuous Rosary prayers from 6am to 12 midnight. Prayer Intentions: For our community

be more inclusive, caring and united in Christ, and for all prayer request

submitted.

Spiritual Bouquet - Prayer Request 1-8 Sep

Prayer requests will be lifted up during the rosary prayers and at 10.30 am Mass. 8 Sep.

12 Sep 8pm

Holy Spirit Prayer Group (HSPG) Prayer meeting - Ministering Night

All are welcomed to join the prayer meeting. There will be healing session for those who would like to be prayed over.

Details

Pray a decade of rosary on 8 Sep Join us in reciting the beautiful Rosary

prayer on the time of your choosing.

Google form registration: -

Click here

Prayer petition box is available outside the Chapel until 10 am on 8 Sep.

Venue

St. Michael Room @ 2nd Floor Oikos Building

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SEPTEMBER 2024: MONTH OF CARING

Date Activities / Events

15 Sep Tamil Apostolate Retreat

1-7pm "Journey With the Lord"
Inviting all Tamil speaking parishion
Let us come together with the

Inviting all Tamil speaking parishioners. Let us come together, with the Lord, listen to the Word of God.

16 Sep Malaysia Day Outreach

Co-sponsor a Meal @ RM5

On Malaysia Day, we will be sponsoring a total of 400 meals to various home/centre ie Syukur Penyayang, The Little Sisters of the Poor, Agape Meal program, St Joseph's Home, Agape Children's Home and Lighthouse Feeding Center.

Join an outreach to the following places:-

- Little Sisters of the Poor (10am to 1pm)
- St Joseph's Home (10 am to 12.30 pm)
- Lighthouse (3pm to 5pm)

28 & 29 Sep after

Mass

Recycling Drive

We invite you to clean and segregate your waste for recycling.

Collection will be limited to Paper (Carton Box, newspaper, mix paper), Plastic and Tin cans, E-Waste (Power bank, Wires, Electronic items – tablets, monitor, phone etc) and Old clothes.

Details

Registration:

RM5 per pax

Alice Anthony 016-4377190 Michelle 016-4731712

Venue: CHS 2nd Floor Classroom

Donation can be made to:-

Cathedral CHS RHB Bank Berhad 20708 2000 39928

We invite each one to donate RM5 for a meal. The balance cost shall be sponsored by the parish.

Register for an outreach at the church office or via

Google form: -

https://forms.gle/uzXiGeWuW 9SA15BZ9

Venue

At the porch in front of Dewan Holy Spirit entrance.

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Calling for Volunteers

- (a) Transport Assistance for Seniors to attend Mass once a Month.
- (b) Medical Volunteer for Health Check and Emergency Response during Mass.

To better support the seniors in our community, we need volunteers for transport and medical. If you are able to serve in this area, kindly register your interest at the church office or via google form: https://forms.gle/uzXiGeWuW9SA15BZ9

3. RETURN OF MOTHER MARY STATUES | BY 15 SEPTEMBER 2024

BEC Leaders are requested to kindly return the Mother Mary statues to the parish office by 15 September 2024.

4. INFANT BAPTISM FOR SEPTEMBER 2024 | 22 SEPEMBER 2024

For parents who wish to have their child baptised, infant baptism will be held in the main church on Sunday, 22 September 2024 at 12noon. Please register at the Parish office. There will be a prebaptismal instruction and briefing for both parents and godparents.

5. MASC PENANG: REDUCING RISKS OF DEVELOPING DEMENTIA | 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

Bring family, friends and all those who are keen to find out what Dementia is. Dr Cecilia Chan will share her vast experiences in this area to empower us.

Date/Time: 29 September 2024, 2.00 – 5.30 pm

Venue: Monsignor Aloysius Spirituality Centre (MASC), Penang, Ground

Floor

Fee: RM10.00 per person

SPIRITUAL WARFARE: IN THE LAST DAYS | 12 & 13 OCTOBER 2024

Date: 12 October 2024 (Saturday) (Mandarin) | 13 October 2024 (Sunday) (English)

Time: 9.00am – 6.00pm

Venue: The Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang

Speaker: Agnes Lim

Fee: RM50.00 per pax

Closing date: 30 September 2024

For registration:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1 mXapIWNYD jgt5mZE-Fwv6b821RHHKbM7ulx wZXll/edit

Payment transfer to: LEE SU SU RHB BANK Account No.: 10709100144960

Remarks/Reference: Your Full Name

For Further Enquiries Contact:

Maureen 012 – 4216279 (English) | Gemma 012 – 5285226 (Mandarin)

Join us for a day of spiritual growth to understand: -

- a. NEW DIABOLIC INFLUENCES: Uncover modern wavs demons influence us.
- b. **CHALLENGES FOR YOUNGSTER:** Understand the growing spiritual battles faced by our youth.
- c. **COMBAT STRATEGIES:** Learn how to put on the full amour of God.

7. RACHEL'S VINEYARD: 3-DAY/2-NIGHT STAY IN PENANG | 18-20 OCTOBER 2024

RACHEL'S VINEYARD welcome ANY PERSON man or woman who is struggling with emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion. A 3-day/2night stay-in scriptural based retreat will be held in Penang on 18-20 October 2024 (Friday to Sunday).

Closing date for registration: 16 September 2024.

This retreat is specially designed to help participants experience the mercy, compassion, love and healing grace of God. It is a time of grace. Please contact Mary at 016-4190538 or email at: rachelsvinyard.my@gmail.com for more information. All communication will be strictly confidential.

8. PDYN LEADERSHIP RETREAT | 22-24 NOVEMBER 2024

The Penang Diocesan Youth Network (PDYN) will be organizing a PDYN Leadership Retreat at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Kampar from 22nd to 24th November 2024. The objective of this retreat would be to nurture and equip young people to be the 'Now of God'. This leadership retreat is open to individuals aged 18 to 29 years old (Parish youth, campus students and young adults are encouraged to join.

If you are interested, you can register by scanning the QR code on the poster or directly contact PDYN Office at \P 012-346 4416.

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