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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH | Epiphany of the Lord | 5 January 2025

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE

MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE CHURCH - CALLED TO BE MERCIFUL

Proclamation of Hope in God's Grace

Epiphany is a celebration of hope. In the course of this Jubilee year, Pope Francis hopes for *every effort to be made to enable us to participate fully in its proclamation of hope in God's grace.*

Natural hazards and weather conditions caused by climate change continue to kill and threaten lives. The horrors of war intensify the gloom. Poverty exists for as long as inequality and unjust distribution of wealth remain. The world is wrapped in darkness, with many experiencing hopelessness.



“The Church cannot be other than the sacrament of God's mercy in the world, in every time and towards all humanity.”

Pope Francis

SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Isaiah 60: 1-6

Psalms 71: 1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

Matthew 2: 1-12

However painful our state of being is, we are to hope and to be beacons of hope.

As Church called to be merciful, we are not immune from both criticisms and compliments in our response to situations. **Today, we look to scriptures and look for epiphanic signs so as to set our hope fully on the grace of our Lord Jesus.**

In a time of darkness, Isaiah summons the people to hope. He gives the certainty and assurance that the Light will shine, and God's radiance will come. The Redeemer will come to break the power of darkness. Indeed, we see this fulfilled in our Lord Jesus. Our Redeemer has come! These are the epiphanic signs as God self-reveals himself to the gentiles: the Magi paying heed to a star, they go in search of and bringing appropriate gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. They set the tone, the stories are told and we believe.

Believing is good thing, acting on it is another. The Psalmist tells us the Messiah's kingship of justice and mercy is for all. As followers of Christ, He would want for us to be merciful, just as our Father is merciful. We shall rescue the poor when he cries out, and the afflicted when he has no one to help him. We shall have pity for the lowly and the poor, for these are lives the Lord will save.

St Paul affirms us that we have the stewardship of God's grace, and we are co-heirs and co-partners of the same body. Let us take ownership and be beacons of hope even as we come and pay homage to Jesus, the Light of the World, who has come.✠

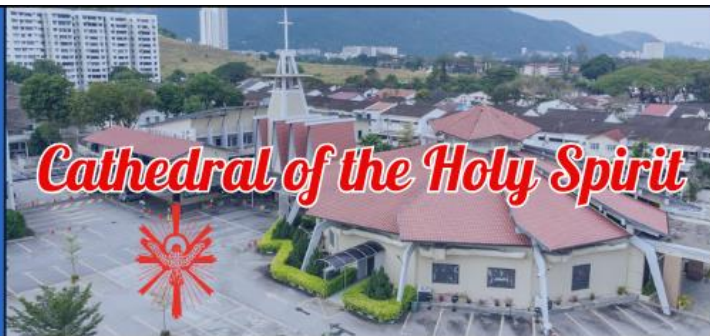
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2025 THEME
JANUARY

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE
CHURCH – CALLED TO BE MERCIFUL

| DATE | TIME | ACTIVITY | MASSES IN THE PARISH |
|--|--|---|---|
| Jan 05 (Sun) <i>Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3,5-6 Mt 2:1-12</i> | 8.00 am 10.30 am 5.30 pm | MASS (M) MASS (E) MASS (T) | THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, SOLEMNITY No Livestream Livestream No Livestream |
| Jan 06 (Mon) | 6.40 am 7.00 am | Lauds MASS (E) | Monday after Epiphany No Livestream |
| Jan 07 (Tue) | 6.40 am 7.00 am | Lauds MASS (E) | Tuesday after Epiphany St. Raymond of Penyafort, Priest No Livestream |
| Jan 08 (Wed) | 6.10 pm 6.30 pm | Vespers MASS (E) | Wednesday after Epiphany No Livestream |
| Jan 09 (Thu) | 6.10 pm 6.30 pm | Vespers MASS (E) | Thursday after Epiphany No Livestream |
| Jan 10 (Fri) | 6.10 pm 6.30 pm | Vespers MASS (E) | Friday after Epiphany No Livestream |
| Jan 11 (Sat) | 6.40 am 7.00 am 5.30 pm 6.00 pm | Lauds MASS (E) Novena to OMPH followed by MASS (E) | Saturday after Epiphany No Livestream Livestream |
| Jan 12 (Sun) <i>Is 40:1-5,9-11 Tit 2:11-14,3:4-7 Lk 3:15-16,21-22</i> | 8.00 am 10.30 am | MASS (M) MASS (E) | THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, FEAST No Livestream Livestream |

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

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 Mass Offering Hall Booking Wake Room Booking | Tithes | Sharing Hope Project Outreach Projects |
|--------------------|---|------------------------------|---|
| 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 24 December 2024 (Christmas Eve): RM 13,699.21

Our Collection on 25 December 2024 (Christmas Day): RM 7,779.20

Our Collection on 28 December 2024: RM 5,647.45

Our Collection on 29 December 2024: RM 11,992.01

Sharing Hope Donations for December 2024: RM 9,673.59

Café Donations for December 2024: RM 660.88

2nd Collection on 4 & 5 January 2025 is for the poor and needy

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

1. ADVENT GET-TOGETHER, CHRISTMAS MASSES AND THE OPENING OF THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

Thank you to all those who were involved in the recent Advent Get-Together, Christmas Masses and the Opening of the Jubilee Year of Hope at CHS. Thank you for your assistance, generosity, support and participation in those events. We would also like to thank all those who have prayed for us throughout the celebrations.

2. CEC (ENGLISH) SECONDARY CAMP | 18 TO 20 JANUARY 2025

Date: 18th to 20th January 2025

Open to all Secondary School pupils. Come and discover that you are **MADE FOR MORE**.

"For we are what He has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life" (Ephesians 2:10)

Register before 12 January 2025.



3. HAVEN YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY | JANUARY 2025 GATHERINGS

Hello to all young adults!

We're excited to invite you to the Haven Young Adult Ministry's January Gathering, our first event of 2025!

Every Tuesday from 8pm to 10pm, we have something different lined up for you each week—such as connecting over board games, diving into Bible study, and worshiping together in God's presence.

This gathering is for 17–25-year-olds only, so if you're in that age range, come and be a part of our community.

Join us on the 2nd Floor Classroom (St. Michael), and remember: **everyone who hears, is thirsty, or wishes to receive the water of life is welcome** (Revelation 22:17).

For more details, feel free to contact Julio (016-4339445), Michael (019-4585499), or Caitlin (016-4215027). Looking forward to see you there!

4. INFANT BAPTISM IN CHS | 26 JANUARY 2025

For parents who wish to have their child baptised, infant baptism will be held in the main church on Sunday, 26 January 2025 at 12 noon. Please register at the parish office. There will be a pre-baptismal instruction and briefing for both parents and godparents.

5. TITHING / GIVING ENVELOPES

The tithing envelopes for the year 2025 are ready and available at the parish office. When making payment online, please quote your tithes registration number. Please call our parish office for your tithe registration number.

You are invited to participate in tithing with grateful hearts. In doing so, we are reminded to thank, honour and rely on God. It is also an act of commitment to the mission of the Church. As scripture says in **2 Cor 9:7**

"Each one should give as much as he has decided on his own initiative, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

Everything we have is a blessing from God. Tithing/giving is an act of the heart to show our gratitude to God, who provides for our every need. Our tithing/giving is also an act of commitment to the growth of the mission of the Church and it also allows us to grow in gratitude.

6. CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD OPEN DAY | 19 JANUARY 2025

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a 3-year Montessori-based faith formation program for children aged of 3 years old onwards. With the support of the Catechetical Commission of the Diocese of Penang, we are hosting a CGS Open Day, and we encourage parents with children aged 3 to 4 years old (in 2025) and other interested members of the faith community to "Come and See."

Date: Sunday, 19 January 2025

Time: 10 am – 12 noon

Venue: Church of the Immaculate Conception, Pulau Tikus, Penang

MADE FOR MORE

CEC SECONDARY CAMP

For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life. Ephesians 2:10

Join Us **January 18-20, 2025**

Top Floor Classrooms Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

RM40 Form 1- Form 4 (2024)

For Non-Muslims only

For Enquiries: Anne Ho: 016-4106952

Organised by: The CEC Ministry of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit Penang

Catechesis of the GOOD SHEPHERD

NURTURING FAITH IN THE HEARTS OF CHILDREN

OPEN DAY

SUNDAY 19 JANUARY 2025

10 AM - 12PM

IPQH THE ATRIUM, WISMA LIGUORI, CHURCH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

PENANG THE ATRIUM, L2, PARISH CENTRE, CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Explore the enchanting world of CGS, where your child's spirituality comes to life through interactive sessions, a guided atrium tour and engaging activities.

7. CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE RAFFLE RESULTS

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Lot 843, Jalan Industri, PPD 1/2, Taman Industri Pusat Bandar Puchong, 47100 Puchong, Selangor
Tel: 03-8062 1304 Fax: 03-8062 4014
Website: www.olgpuuchong.org
Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Raymond Pereira

29 December 2024

RE : RESULTS OF RAFFLES DRAW 29 DEC 2024

| RESULTS OF THE OLOG RAFFLES DRAW on 29/12/24 | | | | | |
|--|---|--------------------|-----------------------|---|-------|
| 3 GRAND PRIZES | | WINNING TICKET NO. | 15 CONSOLATION PRIZES | WINNING TICKET NO. | |
| 1 | 1 st PRIZE – CAR BEZZA Auto 1.0G AQ1G22 | 32101 | 1 | 1 st Consolation Prize – Xiaomi Robot Vacuum | 44683 |
| 2 | 2 nd PRIZE – MOTORCYCLE - Honda RS 150 | 65760 | 2 | 2 nd Consolation Prize – One Deluxe Suite 1 Night Stay at Symphony Suites Hotel (Ipoh) | 59186 |
| 3 | 3 rd PRIZE – VACATION FOR 2 PAX TO BALI (FLIGHT & STAY -4D 3N) | 56345 | 3 | 3 rd Consolation Prize – Philip Air Fryer | 35434 |
| 13 MID TIER PRIZES | | | 4 | 4 th Consolation Prize – ELBA Food Steamer | 55349 |
| 4 | 4 th Prize iPhone 15 Plus | 51090 | 5 | 5 th Consolation Prize – Panasonic Blender with Dry Mill | 69457 |
| 5 | 5 th Prize Samsung Galaxy Tab S9 FE | 54031 | 6 | 6 th Consolation Prize – Russell Taylors Electric Multi Cooker | 72077 |
| 6 | 6 th Prize Samsung Galaxy Tab S9 FE | 38494 | 7 | 7 th Consolation Prize – Electrova Baker Series Stand Mixer | 58898 |
| 7 | 7 th Prize Samsung Galaxy Tab S9 FE | 48665 | 8 | 8 th Consolation Prize – ELBA Coffee Maker | 59409 |
| 8 | 8 th Prize 55" Samsung Smart TV | 55698 | 9 | 9 th Consolation Prize – Kenwood Chopper | 71471 |
| 9 | 9 th Prize 55" Samsung Smart TV | 30735 | 10 | 10 th Consolation Prize – Ocean Sonic Electric Toothbrush / Panasonic Automatic Dry Iron | 62115 |
| 10 | 10 th Prize 55" Samsung Smart TV | 78304 | 11 | 11 th Consolation Prize – Philip Electric Kettle | 35852 |
| 11 | 11 th Prize 2-Door Refrigerator ≥ 427 L | 62159 | 12 | 12 th Consolation Prize – Sharp Rice Cooker | 71577 |
| 12 | 12 th Prize 2-Door Refrigerator ≥ 427 L | 59555 | 13 | 13 th Consolation Prize – Sharp Table Fan | 35354 |
| 13 | 13 th Prize Electrolux 7kg Dryer | 62245 | 14 | 14 th Consolation Prize – JMM Multifunctional Household Fan | 39306 |
| 14 | 14 th Prize Lenovo Laptop | 69002 | 15 | 15 th Consolation Prize – A Gourmet Electric Kettle | 51622 |
| 15 | 15 th Prize Lenovo Laptop | 63191 | | | |
| 16 | 16 th Prize Lenovo Laptop | 32203 | | | |

Congratulations to all the winners!! May God Bless you.
Blessed Christmas.
Yours in Christ,
Shahid Perik
Chairman of OLOG Building Fund
cc Rev. Fr. Raymond Pereira
Parish Priest

Heaven

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

TUESDAY | 8PM – 10 PM | AGE 17 – 25
2ND FLOOR CLASSROOM (ST. MICHAEL)

07th CONNECT (BOARDGAMES)

14th WORD (BIBLE STUDY)

21st PRESENCE (WORSHIP)

28th NO MEET (CNY BREAK)

REVELATION 22: 17
LET EVERYONE WHO HEARS, COME!
LET EVERYONE WHO IS THIRSTY, COME!
LET ANYONE WHO WISHES, TAKE THE WATER OF LIFE AS A GIFT.

JANUARY GATHERING

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