

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRMS OF HOPE

MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE ECOLOGY – CALLED TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF THE URGENT MISSION OF SAVING MOTHER EARTH

## Blessed Are The Poor In Spirit

A re you aware that thousands of people in different parts of the world have been murdered either because they worked to protect the environment or as journalists, covered stories of environmental issues, such as, illegal mining and logging, illegal toxic waste disposal, radiation, water issues, and much more? They were killed because they strongly believed in the importance of raising awareness about and acting against the abuse of the environment which also greatly affected the poor and the marginalised.





"A Christian who doesn't safeguard creation, who doesn't make it flourish, is a Christian who isn't concerned with God's work." Pope Francis.



## SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Jeremiah 17: 5-8 Psalm 1: 1-4. 6 1 Corinthians 15: 12. 16-20 Luke 6: 17. 20-26

INTERNAL CIRCULATION ONLY BUL 07/2025 Among those who were murdered was Sister Dorothy Mae Stang, a member of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur. She was born in the United States, but later became a naturalised Brazilian. She began her ministry in Brazil in 1966 and dedicated her life to defending the Brazilian rainforest from rich and powerful ranchers who wished to destroy the forest and replace it with large plantations. She spoke up for the poor and helped peasants make a living by farming small plots and extracting forest products without deforestation. She also sought to protect peasants from criminal gangs working on behalf of ranchers who were after their plots.

On 12 February, 2005, Sister Stang was walking to a community meeting when two armed men blocked her. Undeterred, she continued a couple of steps but was shot by one of the men. She fell face down on the ground. Later, the gunman fired all four remaining rounds into her head, killing her. She was 73 years old.

Later, a witness, who had hidden himself in the bushes during Sister Stang's murder, said that when she was stopped by the men, one of them had asked if she had any weapon. **He heard her tell them that the only weapon she had was the Bible and that she then proceeded to read a passage from the Beatitudes, "Blessed are the poor in spirit ...**"

In the gospel passage today, we hear the words of Jesus, "Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as a criminal, on account of the Son of Man." Let us remember and pray for those who were martyred because they were faithful to the teachings of Christ to love God and to love their neighbour.

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					"God loves a cheerful giver." – 2 Cor. 9:7					
We would love to connect with you! Please follow us on our social media platforms and email for the latest updates on our events.										
					1. INFANT BAPTISM IN CHS   23 FEBRUARY 2025					
🖄 admin@holyspiritcathedral.com 🛛 🌐 holyspiritcathedral.com					For parents who wish to have their child baptised, infant baptism will be held in the main church on					
仔 CHSpenang 🛛 👩 chspenang 🛛 💿 youtube.com/CHSPgTv			youtube.com/CHSPgTv	Sunday, 23 February 2025 at 12 noon. Please register at the parish office. There will be a pre-baptisma						
CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE					instruction and briefing for both parents and godparents.					
2025 THEME ECOLOGY - CALLED TO TAKE OWNERSHIP OF THE URGENT MISSION				2. SPECIAL SESSION BY REV. DR. FR. GILBERT CHOONDAL   23 FEBRUARY 2025						
FEBRUARY OF SAVING MOTHER EARTH					You are warmly invited to attend a special program by Rev. Dr. Fr. Gilbert Choondal on Sunday, 23rd February					
DATE	DATE TIME ACTIVITY MASSES IN THE PARISH					f the Holy Spirit, Penang.				
Feb 16 (Sun)			6 <sup>™</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)	1.			elizing Catechists (2:00 –			
Jer 17:5-8	8.00 am	MASS (M)	No Livestream	<ol> <li>Deanery Level First Holy Communion Evangelizing Catechists (Those teaching Std. 1-4) (3:30 – 6:30 p.m.)</li> <li>Family Catechesis for Parents (8:00 – 9:00 p.m.)</li> </ol>						
1 Cor 15:12,16-20 Lk 6:17,20-26	10.30 am	MASS (E)	Livestream	3.				for the First Holy Comp	nunion Don't	
EK0.17,20 20	6.40 am	Lauds	The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order				Catechetics and Manual			
Feb 17 (Mon)	7.00 am	MASS (E)	No Livestream	miss this opportunity to grow in faith and knowledge! For more details, please contact Anne Ho at 016-4106992. We look forward to your participation!						
	6.40 am	Lauds			-					
Feb 18 (Tue)	7.00 am	MASS (E)	No Livestream							
	6.10 pm	Vespers			Old blessed palms will be used for ashes for Ash Wednesday. Please bring your old blessed palms and place them in the basket by 23 February 2025, the latest.					
Feb 19 (Wed)	6.30 pm	MASS (E)	No Livestream							
Feb 20 (Thu)	6.10 pm	Vespers	No Livestream			TRY FEBRUARY GATH		lte Ministry Estamon O	the online of Error	
	6.30 pm	MASS (E)			Hello to all young adults! We're excited to invite you to the Haven Young Adults Ministry February Gathering! Every Tuesday from 8pm to 10pm, we have something different lined up for you each week—such as connecting over					
Feb 21 (Fri)	6.10 pm	Vespers	St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor		board games, diving into Bible study, worshiping together in God's presence and breaking His word through sessions. This gathering is for 17-25 year olds only, so if you're in that age range, come and be a part of our					
	6.30 pm	MASS (E)	No Livestream							
	6.40 am	Lauds	Chair of St. Peter, The Apostle, Feast			-	(St. Michael), and remem		•	
Feb 22 (Sat)	7.00 am	MASS (E)	No Livestream		wishes to receive the water of life is welcome (Revelation 22:17).					
	5.30 pm	Novena to OMPH		For	more details, feel fr	ee to contact Julio (016-	4339445), Michael (019-	4585499), or Caitlin (0 <sup>-</sup>	16-4215027).	
Fab 22 (Sum)	6.00 pm	followed by MASS (E)	Livestream	Loc	king forward to see y	ou there!				
Feb 23 (Sun) 1 Sam 26:2,7-9,11-			7 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)	5. BA	DMINTON COURT	S NOT AVAILABLE   2	3 FEBRUARY 2025			
13,22-23	8.00 am	MASS (M)	No Livestream			•	use on Sun, 23 Feb 202	5.		
1 Cor 15:45-49	10.30 am	MASS (E)	Livestream							
Lk 6:27-38					DMINTON COURT		dminton ovony Sunday	oithor 2pm to 5pm or	5pm to 7pm	
E = English M = Mandarin T = Tamil BM = Bahasa Malaysia					Reminder - parishioners can come and play badminton every Sunday - either 3pm to 5pm or 5pm to 7pm. No charges and no registration required.					

