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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH | 3rd Sunday of Lent | 23 March 2025

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE

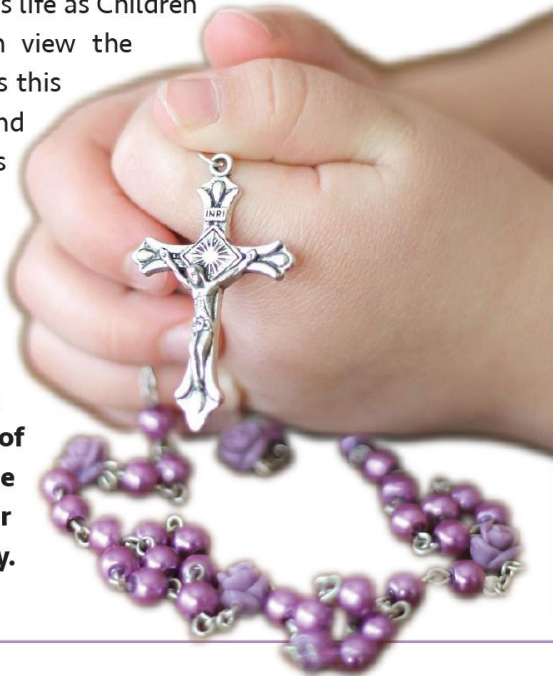
MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE

FAMILY - CALLED TO NURTURE FAMILY VALUES AND RELATIONSHIPS

“Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening”

– 1 Samuel 3:10

We are aware that our Faith is founded on our Baptism and as Church, that allows us to grow and to live this life as Children of God and to keep in view the Dream of the Father. It is this progression in Faith and growth in Grace that is nurtured in the family that gradually becomes the Love and experience of God. **We move from knowing God to understanding our own identity as creation of God, and thus the capability to discern our divinely inspired Destiny.**



“Becoming a disciple of Jesus means accepting the invitation to belong to God’s family, to live in conformity with His ways of life.”

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These promptings of the Holy Spirit arise from our conscious listening in silence and solitude to the gentle voice within each of us. Our prayer has to be: “Speak Lord, your servant is listening”. It is this prayer of the heart that begins the journey to the inside (in this season of Lent) and seeks answers to two fundamental questions in life: Who am I? Where am I going in Life?

Only when we understand that Baptism gives us an inner experience of the foundational encounter with the God of Love, as shown and expressed by the parents and gradually the family as the Domestic Church. The outward public “sign” (Rite) of Baptism must be accompanied by the more significant nourishing of the “Inward Grace” in order for Faith to grow with sensitivity to be in a life-long endeavour to discover and re-discover, listen and listen again to the “Calling of the Lord” and thus be able to respond to our Vocation as Christians and also for the Church as a People of God.

Baptism is not the beginning of our membership in the Church because receiving this Sacrament we were taught of “the outward sign of an inward grace”. Membership in an organisation is very different from being an integral part of a human body with a divine inner life: our Faith informs us that this Body is the body of Christ, who was risen from Death to be the Church as the People of God. This Church has a history and memory but is always open to reinterpreting the story of Jesus to be relevant to the people of today.

How is our Faith Renewal linked to the Church as Communion?✠

SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Exodus 3: 1-8, 13-15

Psalms 102: 1-4, 6-8, 11

1 Corinthians 10: 1-6,
10-12

Luke 13: 1-9

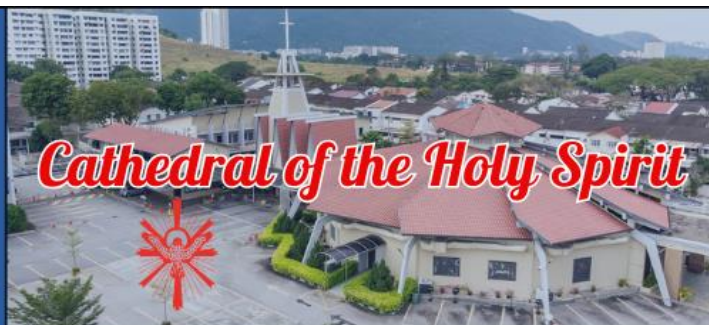
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2025 THEME
MARCH

**CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE
FAMILY – CALLED TO NURTURE FAMILY VALUES AND RELATIONSHIPS**

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH
Mar 23 (Sun) <i>Ex 3:1-8,13-15 1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 Lk 13:1-9</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	3RD SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR C) (RCIA Rite of 1st Scrutiny) No Livestream Livestream
Mar 24 (Mon)		NO MASS	Clergy Retreat
Mar 25 (Tue)		NO MASS	The Annunciation of the Lord, Solemnity Clergy Retreat
Mar 26 (Wed)		NO MASS	Clergy Retreat
Mar 27 (Thu)		NO MASS	Clergy Retreat
Mar 28 (Fri)	8.00 pm	WOTC (ETM) followed by MASS (E)	Mass (Livestream) [WOTC – Church (E), Chapel (T), Hall (M)]
Mar 29 (Sat)	6.40 am 7.00 am 5.30 pm 6.00 pm	Lauds MASS (E) Novena to OMPH followed by MASS (E)	No Livestream Livestream
Mar 30 (Sun) <i>Josh 5:9-12 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3,11-32</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR C) (Laetare Sunday) (RCIA Rite of 2nd Scrutiny) No Livestream Livestream

E = English M = Mandarin T = Tamil BM = Bahasa Malaysia WOTC = Way of The Cross

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 15 & 16 March 2025: RM 8,770.35

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

1. **NO WEEKDAY MASSES**

As the Penang Diocese Clergy will be on their retreat at Stella Maris, Penang from Mon, 24 March till Fri, 28 March (afternoon), there will not be any daily Masses during that period.

The 8pm WOC and Mass on Fri, 28 March will go on as usual.

2. **GLOWING EMBERS - WHO WANTS TO BE A BIBLIAIRE, SESSION 2 | 25 MARCH 2025**

Exploring Biblical Femininity to Cultivate my Sacred Garden (Rev 21-22) as "partakers of the divine nature" (2 Peter 1:4).

God has bestowed each one of us with a Sacred Garden. He wants our "ground" - heart - to blossom in close relationship with Him (Hosea 14:5).

What - Why - How? Come, let's explore together.

25 March. 10am. St Mark Classroom. Speaker : Lucille Dass

3. **INCULTURATION OF THE FAITH | 30 MARCH 2025**

An interactive forum brought to you by the Penang Diocesan New Evangelization Commission:-

Date: 30 March 2025 (Sun)

Time: 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Venue: Dewan Holy Spirit, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang

Registration link: <https://tinyurl.com/Inculturation2025>

4. **BADMINTON COURTS**

The badminton courts will not be available for use on Sun 23 March and Sun 30 March.

5. **ROOM BOOKINGS**

Please contact Dcn Andrew to cancel your prior room bookings if you are not able to make it so that others can make use of the room.

6. VACANCY FOR ACCOUNTING ASSISTANT IN CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY SPIRIT OFFICE

Qualifications

- Accounting knowledge with LCCI or equivalent certification.
- Familiar with Accounting Principles and Concepts
- Maintain high level of confidentiality
- Able to work with minimal supervision

Experience

- Have working experience in related field – at least 3 years.
- Familiar with Microsoft applications like Excel and Word.
- Worked with computerized accounting software/system
- Possess analytical and communication skills
- Strong attention to detail and accuracy
- Familiar with managing banking activities and online banking systems.

Job Description


- Counting and reconciling all Church Cash Collections and depositing all cash to Church RHB Accounts promptly.
- Reconcile all bank-ins and online collections with source record books and bank statements.
- Preparing all payment schedule for the week (for all payments being made through bank account) and sent to PFC Chairman for approval.
- Ensure all payments to Vendors, Utilities (Tenaga, PBA, Telephone, Indah Water) are made on time.
- Payments are to be made Banking on-line system as the maker
- Payroll preparation and payment through Banking on-line system
- Statutory payments – EPF/Socso – done through Banking on-line system
- Computation and remittance of Solidarity fund and other pass through amounts to Diocese through on-line banking system
- Compiling and filing all source documents supporting transactions – vendor invoices, utility bills, banking in slips, bank statement etc and inputting into Arkdios system.
- Reconciliation of Bank Statements for all bank accounts including fixed deposits.
- Input all financial transactions (including petty cash payments) into Arkdios Accounting system promptly
- Preparation of monthly accounts
- Managing renewal of Parish Insurances
- Any other related tasks assigned by Parish.

Interested candidates please submit your applications to andrewloh@holyspiritcathedral.com by 31 March 2025.

WHO WANTS TO BE A BIBLIAIRE?

Session 2 : Exploring Biblical Femininity to Cultivate My Sacred Garden (Rev 21-22) as 'partakers of the divine nature' (2 Peter 1:4)


25 March, 10.00am.
St Mark Classroom
Speaker : Lucille Dass



**Pilgrims of Hope
- Witnessing To The
Hope We Have
in Christ**

Speaker: **Tricia Belle**
Founder
St Francis Xavier Lay
Missionary Society

Date: 29 March 2025 (Sat)
Time: 10am to 12noon
Venue: Dewan Holy Spirit



Penang Island Deanery
Lenten Confession 2025

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Island Park
17 March (Monday) 10 am and 8 pm

Church of Our Lady of Sorrows, Jalan Macalister
18 March (Tuesday) 10 am and 8 pm

Risen Christ Catholic Church, Air Itam
19 March (Wednesday) 10 am and 8 pm

Church of the Holy Name of Jesus, Balik Pulau
20 March (Thursday) 10 am (M) and 8 pm (M & E)

Church of Divine Mercy, Sungai Ara
02 April (Wednesday) 10 am and 8 pm

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Pulau Tikus
03 April (Thursday) 10 am and 8 pm


M = Mandarin, E = English



**CALLBACK
GATHERINGS**
..during Lent

Praise & Worship, Sharing/Talk, Fellowship

Wed 19 Mar & Wed 2 Apr 2025
St. Michael's Room, 8.30pm



March Gathering

**Heaven
YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY**

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

04TH CONNECT (BOWLING)

11TH WORD (BIBLE STUDY)

18TH PRESENCE (WORSHIP)

25TH LISTEN (SESSION)

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

PLEASE CONTACT OUR CORE TEAM TO REGISTER FOR BOWLING OR IF YOU HAVE ANY INQUIRIES:
JULIO GERONIMO: 016-4339445 | MICHAEL ANDREWS: 019-4585499
CAITLIN TEOH: 019-4215027 | MABEL YEOH: 012-3476900

Lenten Donation Drive

Food and daily essentials
coffee, biscuits, milk powder, rice, oats,
noodles, beehoon, adult tape diapers (L-XL),
dishwashing liquids and detergents.



OFFER YOUR TIME, PRAYER AND GIFT THIS LENT
YOUR SACRIFICE, THEIR HOPE

INTERACTIVE FORUM

Penang Diocesan
NEW EVANGELIZATION
COMMISSION

"Enlarge the space of your tent"
- Isaiah 54:2

**POPE FRANCIS: TO EVANGELIZE,
'FAITH MUST BE INCULTURATED'**

"Come and see" (John 1:39)

Inculturation of the Faith

PANELISTS

Mr. Christopher Kushi
Fr. Desmond Jansen
Fr. Arulnathan Joseph
Fr. Michael Cheah

**Sunday
30th March, 2025
2.00-5.00pm**
Dewan Holy Spirit,
Cathedral of the
Holy Spirit, Penang
NO REGISTRATION FEE

* Religious dynamics in Malaysian context
* Blending Christianity in local cultures
* Chinese Inculturated Mass
* Ancestral Veneration
* Ponggol Festival
* Unilateral Faith Conversions
* Other related topics

https://tinyurl.com/Inculturation2025
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