

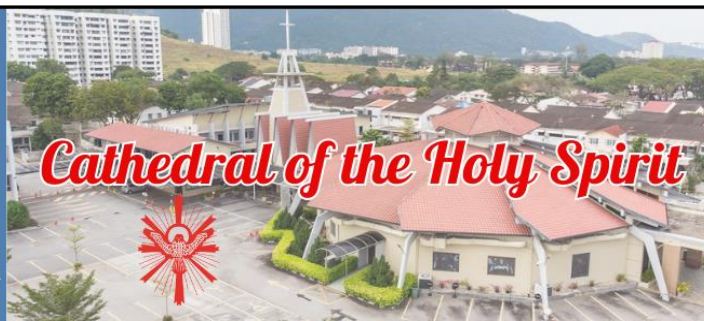
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2023 THEME
DECEMBER

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

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH
Dec 17 (Sun) <i>Is 61:1-2,10-11 1 Th 5:16-24 Jn 1:6-8,19-28</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B) BAMBINELLI SUNDAY No Livestream Livestream
Dec 18 (Mon)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	No Livestream
Dec 19 (Tue)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	No Livestream
Dec 20 (Wed)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	No Livestream
Dec 21 (Thu)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	St. Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor No Livestream
Dec 22 (Fri)	6.30 pm	MASS (E) followed by Silent Adoration	No Livestream
Dec 23 (Sat)	6.40 am 7.00 am 5.30 pm 6.00 pm	Lauds MASS (E) Novena to HS MASS (E)	St. John of Kety, Priest No Livestream Livestream
Dec 24 (Sun) <i>2 Sam 7:1-5,8-12,14,16 Rom 16:25-27 Lk 1:26-38</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B) No Livestream Livestream
<i>Is 62:1-5 Tit 2:11-14 Lk 2:1-14</i>	6.30 pm 7.00 pm 10.30 pm 11.00 pm	Carolling (M) MASS (M&T) Cantata (E) MASS (E)	CHRISTMAS EVE No Livestream (M = Church; T = Dewan Holy Spirit) Livestream (Church) Livestream (Church)

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH
Dec 25 (Mon) <i>Is 52:7-10 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18</i>	9.00 am	MASS (E)	NATIVITY OF THE LORD, SOLEMNITY CHRISTMAS DAY Livestream
PARISH ACTIVITIES			
Dec 17 (Sun)	12.00 pm	RCIA (English)	St. Mark, Ground Floor, OIKOS
Dec 18 (Mon)	3.30 pm	Legion of Mary	
Dec 19 (Tue)	7.45 am	Christian Meditation	Blessed Sacrament Chapel Portico
Dec 20 (Wed)	8.00 pm	Tamil Apostolate Charismatic Prayer Group Praise & Worship	St. Michael, 2 nd Floor, OIKOS
BANNS OF MARRIAGE			
Dec 23 (Sat)	11.00 am	Wedding Service (M): Victor Chow & Karen Ng Pei Voon	

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

TITHES FOR 2024

Envelopes for tithes for 2024 are now available at the parish office.

Our Collection on 09 & 10 December 2023: RM 7,342.65

2nd Collection on 09 & 10 December 2023: RM18,000.00

(for Kasih Fundraising Initiative 2023)

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

1. CHURCH AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM (AC SYSTEM) UPGRADE

The AC system installed more than 20 years ago is currently operating below its capacity, thus requiring higher energy consumption to compensate for the low efficiency. With the advice of M&E consultants, the parish will commence with the upgrading of the AC system on 8 November 2023 in order for the work to be completed before Christmas. For those who wish to contribute to the parish maintenance - Church AC System Upgrade project, kindly contact parish office at 04-658 4909 or you can bank in your donations to "Cathedral of the Holy Spirit" Public Bank Berhad Account 3093049812 and email payment receipt to admin@holyspiritcathedral.com

2. BADMINTON COURTS IN DEWAN HOLY SPIRIT | 26 NOVEMBER - 31 DECEMBER 2023

The Badminton Courts will not be available for use on 26 November to 31 December 2023 due to parish events and activities.

3. SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL (SSVP) 2024 CALENDARS

SSVP 2024 Calendars are available at the parish office at RM15 each.

4. **THANKSGIVING SOLEMN MASS CELEBRATED BY HIS EMINENCE CARDINAL SEBASTIAN FRANCIS**
Diocese of Penang invites you to the Thanksgiving Solemn Mass to celebrate the appointment of His Eminence Cardinal Sebastian Francis to the College of Cardinals at Minor Basilica of St Anne Bukit Mertajam on 8th January 2024 (Monday) at 6.00pm.

To assist and encourage more of our parishioners to be able to participate in the celebration, CHS will be organizing a bus at a fee of RM20 per head. Bus will leave CHS at 4:20pm. Parishioners who would like to take the bus, kindly register with the Parish Office. Registration will close once the bus is full. Let us come together as CHS parish to witness this joyful celebration.
5. **GLOWING EMBERS'S LINE DANCING IS TAKING A BREAK**
We will be taking a break from 18 December 2023 and will resume on 15 January 2024.
6. **CHRISTIAN MEDITATION SESSION IS TAKING A BREAK**
There will be no meditation session on 21 December 2023. Sessions will start again on 9 January 2024.
7. **LEGION OF MARY MEETINGS**
There will be no meetings on 25 December 2023 and 1 January 2024.
8. **PRAY FOR PEACE**
As a parish, let us, in one heart and mind, light a candle at our Grotto and pray for peace. Let us, together with Pope Francis, pray for the restoration of justice and peace in the regions of Palestine and Israel. You are invited to come individually, with your BEC group, family or friends, to pray for peace at our Grotto. Candles and matches are available outside our Blessed Sacrament Chapel.
9. **ADVENT ACTIVITIES**
Advent is a time when we prepare our hearts and minds to receive Jesus once again. It is a time to renew our faith, to grow in faith, to rediscover Jesus, and discover ourselves a little more as we relate to Him. May we approach Advent prayerfully and purposefully this year and always. Apart from beautifying the Church grounds preparing for all things Christmas, we have lined up various events and activities to help us prepare ourselves and the community of CHS at large to receive Baby Jesus this year
 - a) **CHS Advent Outreach Project - Bless a family | From 19 November**
Commencing 19 November, outreach programs (Sharing Hope Project, Zone Outreach, SVDP and Agape Meals) will be available for all to donate, and to partake. Find out more at the Advent Room.
 - b) **CHS 2023 Advent Family Collage | 25 November - 21 December**
Embracing our Advent Theme this year Isaiah 54:2 to enlarge the place of our tent, we invite you to share a picture of your family (3R size) with the following written on the back of the photo:-
Name: _____
Contact: _____
Zone: _____
Drop the photo into a collection box prepared in the Church office starting 25 November to 21 December. Our team of volunteers will help to place our family photo(s) in the tent. Let us wait together in the tent for Jesus.
 - c) **Bambinelli Sunday | 16 & 17 December**
Celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of Advent. Families gather during Mass bringing figurines of the Christ Child from the family Nativity scene to be blessed.
 - d) **Rejoice! An Advent Pilgrimage into the Heart of Scripture (Year B) by Fr Mark Touns**
Commences from 1st Sunday of Advent at the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Immediately after each Saturday Sunset Mass and Sunday 10.30am Mass, come join us for a quick 30-minute session to help you in your personal Advent pilgrimage to receive Christ once again this Christmas! A personal journal and daily meditations will be provided to help us in this personal journey we choose to partake!

- e) **Christmas Caroling & Zone Get-Together! | From 16 - 20 December**
Find out more from your Zone and BEC leaders! Let us come together as a community with the HYM (Haven Youth Ministry) as they present and lead us with some of our favourite Christmas Carols whilst reflecting and reminding us that God, in his love for us, sent his son to be one of us. Let us in our focus towards being a more Inclusive, Caring and United community at CHS parish, extend the place in the tent of our hearts, in preparation of the coming Baby Jesus this Christmas!
- f) **Parish Advent Prayer**
Commencing on the 1st Sunday of Advent, commit to praying this prayer daily as an individual, as a family and as a community in the family of CHS bringing all our thoughts, intent, and actions in preparation to celebrate His First Coming in His birth in Bethlehem!

"To extend the place of your tent in my heart! Stretch out the curtains of your dwellings so that I may be in my small way, willing to include, to care and to unite all of my endeavors with your family here on earth".
10. **32ND NOTIFICATION AND UPDATES IN THE DIOCESE OF PENANG (DECEMBER)**
Link to the 32nd Notification & Updates for the Diocese of Penang. Wishing you blessings of new beginnings on this month of December and a reflective preparation for Advent. Have a grace-filled journey towards Christmas.
<https://www.pgdiocese.org/post/32nd-notification-and-updates-in-the-diocese-of-penang-december>
11. **SGRG WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: UNSTOPPABLE | 20 - 21 JANUARY 2024**
Shalom! We are delighted to extend a heartfelt invitation to you for our upcoming Shekinah Glory Renewal Group (SGRG) Women's Conference in January 2024, themed "UNSTOPPABLE" based on Luke 7:36-50.

Just like the woman who washed and kissed the feet of Jesus unceasingly, we believe that every woman has a unique calling and purpose in life. Let's come together for a weekend of faith, fellowship, and empowerment as we delve into the unyielding grace that makes us "UNSTOPPABLE" in our journey of faith.

The conference will take place from January 20-21, 2024 at the Church of Immaculate Conception, Penang. Our main speakers are the women from the Antoine family: Veronica, Lavinia, and Alicia, who are full-time Catholic Lay Missionaries.

Come and register by January 14, 2024.
Conference fees is RM50.

You can scan the QR code or click on this link to register: <https://forms.gle/Zy2A25YmsPWVbFvc7>

Bless a Family this Christmas
CHS ADVENT OUTREACH PROJECT

Let's make this Christmas a Journey of HOPE!

5 STEPS

- 1 CHOOSE A FAMILY
- 2 GET DETAILS OF THEIR ESSENTIAL NEEDS
- 3 PURCHASE, PACK & DELIVER
- 4 BLESS THEM
- 5 SHARE WITH US YOUR STORY

Contact : Juliana Khoo 012 408 1392
 Roselyn 016 521 5027 for more details

Rejoice!
 An Advent Pilgrimage into the Heart of Scripture
 YEAR 8

ADVENT @ CHS
 Saturdays | After Sunset Mass
 Sundays | After 10:30am Mass
 Blessed Sacrament Chapel
 Guided Meditations Throughout Advent

First Sunday (Dec 2 & 3) HEAR	Second Sunday (Dec 9 & 10) SPEAK
Third Sunday (Dec 16 & 17) HEAL	Fourth Sunday (Dec 23 & 24) ENTER IN

**Dec 25
CHRISTMAS DAY**

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

Christmas
 Caroling & Get Together
 with the
 HYM Carollers

DEC 17
 Zones B, H & I

DEC 18
 Zones E & F

DEC 19
 Zones A, G & FOCHS

DEC 20
 Zones C & D

"Tis the season to be thankful, let us bless each other with love and cheer!"

COMMUNITY PRAISE & WORSHIP
 FOOD-DRINKS-FUN FELLOWSHIP
 Celebrating Inclusivity, Care & Unity
 this Christmas @ CHS
 ALL ARE WELCOME!

Bambinelli Sunday

Blessing of Baby Jesus
 Mass

16 Dec 2023 6:00 pm (English)
 17 Dec 2023 8:00 am (Mandarin) / 10:30 am (English)
 Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang

"Enlarge the space of your tent"
 Is 54:2

Parish Advent Prayer

My little Lord Jesus,
 I love You and thank You for this Advent season.
 Please help me to understand all that You have done for me.
 Your loving mother held You in her heart
 and brought You into this world.
 Help me to do the same.

My loving Jesus,
 I choose You, this Advent, as my King and my God.
 Draw me close to You and help me to see my sins
 so that I can change the things
 that You want me to change.

Father Almighty,
 extend the place of your tent in my heart!
 Stretch out the curtains of your dwellings
 so that I may be in my small way,
 willing to include, to care and to unite
 all of my endeavors with your family here on earth
 for Your Glory and Your Honor this Advent.

Dear Mother Mary,
 pray for me this Advent
 so that I may do all that God wants me to do.
 You said "Yes" to all that God asked of you.
 Please pray for me that I may do the same.

Come, Lord Jesus, Come, Lord Jesus,
 Come, Lord Jesus, come!
 I love You, Jesus.

Amen.



Enlarge the space of your tent
 Isaiah 54:2

Advent 2023 @ CHS

From 19 Nov
 Advent Outreach Programs:
 Sharing Hope, Zone Outreach & Agape Meal

From 02 Dec
 Lighting of Candle

09 Dec
 Lighting of Christmas Tree

10 - 20 Dec
 Christmas Parties

16 - 20 Dec
 Caroling @ CHS

17 Dec
 Blessing of crib

16/17 Dec
 Bambinelli Sunday

Rejoice!
 An Advent Pilgrimage into the heart of Scripture

Capture your moments:
 Instagramable spots @ CHS
 Submit your moments @ CHS (self, family, friends) to
 build a photo collage of CHS' Family of Faith.
 Enquire details from Parish Office

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang

Advent Penitential Services 2023

11 December 2023 (MONDAY)

10.30AM - 11.30AM
8.00PM - 10.00PM
Church of Our Lady of Sorrows,
Macalister Road

13 December 2023 (WEDNESDAY)

10.30AM - 11.30AM
6.30PM - 8.30PM
Church of Divine Mercy,
Sungai Ara

18 December 2023 (MONDAY)

10.30AM - 11.30AM
8.00PM - 10.00PM
Church of the Immaculate
Conception, Pulau Tikus

12 December 2023 (TUESDAY)

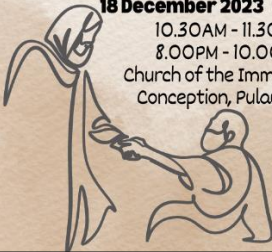
10.30AM - 11.30AM (Mandarin & English)
8.00PM - 10.00PM
Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
Greenlane

14 December 2023 (THURSDAY)

10.30AM - 11.30AM (Mandarin)
8.00PM - 10.00PM
Church of the Risen Christ,
Air Itam

19 December 2023 (TUESDAY)

10.30AM - 11.30AM (Mandarin)
8.00PM - 10.00PM
Church of the Holy Name
of Jesus, Balik Pulau



For with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness,
and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

Romans 10:10

ORGANIZED BY:
SGRG
SINGAPORE GOSPEL RECOVERY GROUP

women's conference

"YOU DID NOT GIVE ME A KISS, BUT THIS WOMAN, FROM THE TIME I ENTERED, HAS

NOT STOPPED KISSING MY FEET." LUKE 7:45

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS:



Lavinia Antoine



Veron Antoine



Alicia Antoine

UNSTOPPABLE

Closing date for registration: 14th January 2024 // Conference fees: RM50/person



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Immaculate Conception



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SCAN ME!



20-21 JAN 2024