

NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH | 6th Sunday of Easter | 25 May 2025

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRMS OF HOPE

MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE

FAMILY - CALLED TO ACCOMPANY FAMILIES FACING CHALLENGES



eace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you..." such compelling words. This is how much Christ loves us. A most precious gift that our hearts can hardly bear. We do not deserve this love, yet it is lesus who wants to abide in us.

The first reading gives an understanding into the early Church's challenges and growth. There were conflicting teachings and debates on how the early Christians should live and worship. In this case, some people say they must be circumcised,



"A healthy family life requires frequent use of three phrases: May I? Thank You, and I'm Sorry and never, never, never end the day without making peace."

Pope Francis

while some disagreed. It was decided then that they should consult the apostles in Jerusalem to resolve the conflict. It was to seek unity in their faith and actions with the Church. In the First Council of Jerusalem, it was decided that the Gentile believers do not need to be circumcised, not to be burdened with the Mosaic laws. It was an important decision which promoted Christianity beyond the Jewish community.

The believers were delighted with the teachings and guidance of the Church, just as we are. John's vision of this new city, the New Jerusalem, is a symbol of hope and the promise of a future with God, the union of heaven and earth where God's glory shine and the whole universe is ordered according to God's plan. There is no need for a temple in the city because God is present everywhere. God and the Lamb are its temple and light.

This Gospel reading is a part of Jesus' Last Supper discourses. It was a run-up to His crucifixion, resurrection and ascension. It was a farewell speech. Jesus told of His desire to abide in them, that if they love Him, He and the Father will come to them. To allay the fears of his disciples, He promised them the Advocate. The Father will send them the Holy Spirit who will teach them everything and remind them of everything He had taught them. And finally, He told them not to be afraid because He will leave them His peace which is divine. These three messages are for us too. We do not need to fear if we continue to love Him and let the Holy Spirit lead us. Come, Holy Spirit, we need you.

SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

Psalm 66: 2-3, 5-6, 8

Revelation 21: 10-14, 22-23

John 14: 23-29

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2025 THEME MAY

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE FAMILY - CALLED TO ACCOMPANY FAMILIES FACING CHALLENGES

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH	
May 25 (Sun) Acts 14:1-2,22-29 Rev 21:10-14,22-23 Jn 14:23-29	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	6 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C) No Livestream	
May 26 (Mon)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds St. Philip Neri, Priest MASS (E) No Livestream		
May 27 (Tue)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop No Livestream	
May 28 (Wed)	8.00 pm	MASS (E)	ASCENSION VIGIL No Livestream	
May 29 (Thu) Acts 1:1-11	10	MACC (F)	ASCENSION DAY, SOLEMNITY (DAY OF OBLIGATION)	
Heb 9:24-28;10:19-23 Luke 24:46-53	12 noon 8.00 pm	MASS (E) MASS (ETM)	No Livestream Livestream	
May 30 (Fri) (DAY 1)	8.00 pm	Novena to the HS followed by MASS (E)	No Livestream	
May 31 (Sat)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast No Livestream	
(DAY 2)	5.30 pm 6.00 pm	Novena to the HS followed by MASS (E)	Livestream	
Jun 01 (Sun) Acts 7:55-60	7.30 am	Novena to the HS followed by MASS (M)	7 TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C) World Social Communications Sunday	
Rev 22:12-14,16-17,20 Jn 17:20-26	10.00 am	Novena to the HS followed by MASS (E)	No Livestream	
(DAY3)	5.00 pm	Novena to the HS followed by MASS (T)		
E = English M = Mandarin T = Tamil BM = Bahasa Malaysia				

MARRIAGE BANNS						
May 31 (Sat)	11.00 am	Wedding Service (M) ~ Chin Wei Jong & Felicia Tan Yan Tin				
	1.00 pm	Wedding Service (E) ~ Philip Chin Zhen Yew & Goh Sin Yen				

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 17 & 18 May 2025: RM 8,941.55 Collection on 31 May & 01 June 2025 is for the Media Apostolate 2nd Collection on 31 May & 01 June 2025 is for the poor and needy

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

1. GLOWING EMBERS: WAKE UP, RISE UP! | 27 MAY 2025

'Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you (Isa 60:1).

Date / Time / Venue: 27 May 2025, 9.45am at St Mark Classroom.

Speaker: Carmelita Dass.

All are welcome.

2. SHEKINAH GLORY RENEWAL GROUP: ANCHORED ~ CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE | 5-6 JULY 2025 **CALLING ALL MEN! REGISTER NOW**

Shekinah Glory Renewal Group (SGRG) is organising a Catholic Men's Conference in conjunction with the Jubilee Year of Hope, with the theme **Anchored** based on Hebrews 6:19.

Renowned speakers from France, Indonesia and Malaysia will be speaking to all of us on many areas that matter to us men. His Eminence Cardinal Sebastian Francis will be celebrating the Opening Mass.

Come join us. Scan the QR code above or use the link below to register.

https://forms.gle/wBKMh8s3ftRCieH1A

Date: 5 & 6 July 2025 Time: 9am to 7pm

Venue: Auditorium, Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Butterworth

Take advantage of the early bird promo of RM60 (without meals) & RM80 (with meals).

Early bird promo ends on 15 June 2025.

Fees after 15 June 2025: RM80 (without meals) & RM100 (with meals)

Registration ends on 30 June 2025

For any enquiries, contact:

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3. LENTEN ENVELOPES

Please submit your Lenten donation envelopes by Pentecost, 8 June, the latest.

4. HAVEN YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY (HYAM) GATHERING | MAY 2025

Hello to all Young Adults! We're excited to invite you to our Haven Young Adults May Gathering! Starting on the 6th of May, 8pm to 10pm we have something different lined up for you each week—such as connecting over board games, diving into Bible study, dwelling in His 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 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) or Caitlin (016-4215027)

5. LIGHTHOUSE: MAKE A DIFFERENCE! VOLUNTEER TODAY

Want to give back to your community?

Come volunteer and help us at either the Thrift Shop or our Feeding Centre.

Your time can make a difference!

Volunteer today!

Contact us at Lighthouse.

: admin@lighthouse.my

: 04-2638842 Mon - Fri / 9am to 5pm

Website: lighthouse.my Facebook: The Lighthouse

6. CBCM'S REGIONAL SOLIDARITY APPEAL

Following the recent and devastating earthquake that struck Myanmar and Thailand where thousands have lost their lives, countless more have been injured or displaced and entire communities, including Catholic parishes and missions have been reduced to rubble, the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Malaysia (CBCM) has issued a pastoral letter calling for regional solidarity.

Let us, the faithful, respond not only with compassion and prayers but with concrete acts of solidarity and hope. Let us remember them in prayer s and respond generously to their urgent needs by participating in the following ways:-

 Donate to special 2nd Collection on weekend of Divine Mercy Sunday 26-27 April 2025.

2. Ongoing Donations until 31 May 2025

Additional donations can be made through the:-

 Parish Office. Cash donations may be handed in at any parish office. These will be channeled to Caritas Malaysia.

b. Online Transfers:-

> Duit Now QR Code;

> Account Name: Caritas Malaysia

Bank: RHB Bank

Branch: No 380-A, Jalan Burma, 10350 Georgetown, Penang

Account Number: 20708200054188

SWIFT Code: RHBBMYKL

Reference: CaritasMy Myanmar Relief Kindly email your transfer slip to info@caritas.org.my

All donations received will be directed to Caritas Malaysia, the official social charitable arm of the CBCM.



7. CARITAS PENANG: WEBINAR ON DRUG ADDICTION AWARENESS | 26 JUNE 2025

Drug abuse can happen to anyone - our family or friend, the risk is higher if one is ignorant, depressed, or broken. Join us in this webinar to have a better understanding about drug addiction, how it usually begins, and where we can seek help. Sign up at https://forms.gle/F3xwLKsktRsyH2h8. Everyone is welcome.

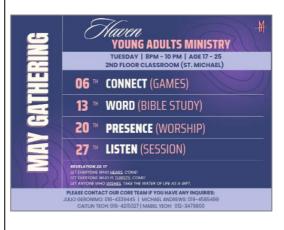
Date: 26 June 2025 Time: 8pm - 9.30pm

Registration: https://forms.gle/w5XiHAXvDxtKmMgv8
Google Meet: https://meet.google.com/wwt-tfzk-fbs

*The presentation will show photos of drugs and its equipment for awareness and educational purposes. Teenager below 16 years old are advisable to participate together with their parents

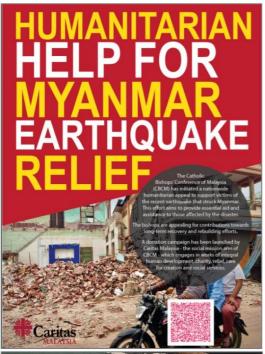




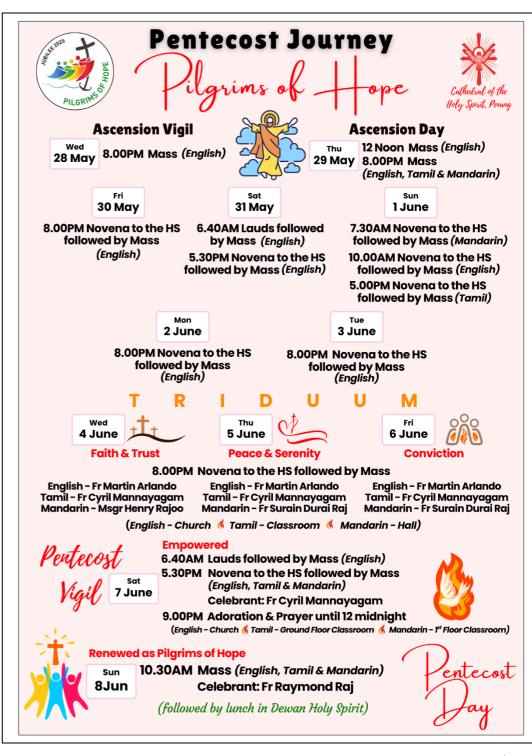




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