

NEWBEC

NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH | 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 17 August 2025

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE

MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE SOCIETY (PROPHETIC)
CALLED TO VISIBLE COLLABORATION



Looking back as we celebrate 69 years of independence this month, it is a fitting moment for us to remember and reflect on our duty to proclaim the Gospel to the society we live in.

As Christians, we have a responsibility beyond just civic duties—we stand always for truth and the values of the Gospel, even if it places us at odds with popular opinion and culture.



“Do not be afraid to break out of comfortable and routine modes of living, in order to take up the challenge of making Christ known in the modern ‘metropolis’”.

St John Paul II

SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10

Psalms 39: 2-4, 18

Hebrew 12: 1-4

Luke 12: 49-53

In a world where truth is often seen as relative and Gospel values are dismissed as outdated, we may find ourselves criticized and questioned on the relevance of the Church today. Many consider her teachings old-fashioned and her traditions antiquated.

Yet, the readings today remind us that such challenges are not new. Just as the prophet Jeremiah endured plots against his life because people could not accept the truths he spoke, we too face all kinds of trials when we stand for unpopular truths in the world today. In the Gospel reading, Jesus himself tells us that he has come, not to bring peace, but division. Though this may seem to contradict the Christian call to love and unity, it is actually a stark reminder that real unity cannot exist without the truth. Jesus warns us that faithfulness to the truth will inevitably bring us into conflict against those who would rather cling to sin.

Yet, in spite of the darkness, there are many who still long for the light. The human heart’s deep longing for love and meaning has not changed over the centuries. Beneath the surface of modernity, people still struggle with the same questions of existence and the same need for grace and salvation.

That is why catechesis is as vital today as it was in the days of the early Church, two thousand years ago. Just as the people of ancient times longed to hear the Good News of salvation and forgiveness of sins, the people of our time long also for the knowledge of God’s love, mercy and redemption.

Let us then, in the rush of our daily lives, take the time to deepen our understanding and knowledge of our faith so that we may generously share what we have with a brother or sister in need of hearing the Good News. ✠

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**2025 THEME
AUGUST**

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DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH
Aug 17 (Sun) <i>Jer 38:4-6,8-10 Heb 12:1-4 Lk 12:49-53</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	20 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)
Aug 18 (Mon)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	
Aug 19 (Tue)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	St. John Eudes, Priest
Aug 20 (Wed)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor
Aug 21 (Thu)	7.30 pm 8.00 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	St. Pius X, Pope
Aug 22 (Fri)	6.30 pm 7.00 pm	MASS (E) Followed by Holy Hour	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Aug 23 (Sat)	6.40 am 7.00 am 5.30 pm 6.00 pm	Lauds MASS (E) Novena to OMPH MASS (E)	St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
Aug 24 (Sun) <i>Is 66:18-21 Heb 12:5-7,11-13 Lk 13:22-30</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	21 ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)

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

MARRIAGE BANNS

Aug 30 (Sat)	10.30 am	Wedding Mass (E) Benedict Iann a/l Barrat Paul & Sharanya a/p Gobal
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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 09 & 10 August 2025: RM 10,070.75

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

1. **MASS & HOLY HOUR: (EVERY 4TH FRIDAY OF THE MONTH OUTSIDE LENT) | 22 AUGUST 2025**

Date: 22 August 2025 (Friday)

Time: 6.30pm Mass

7.00pm Holy Hour - With Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

- Till 8.00pm

Inviting all to come to worship our Lord Jesus Christ at Mass and Adoration during the Holy Hour. See you there.

2. **BISHOP BERNARD PAUL: PROGRAM FOR LEADERS | 6 SEPTEMBER 2025**

Bishop Bernard Paul will be having a Leaders Program for us all on 6 September (Saturday) from 8.00pm to 10.00pm at the Dewan Holy Spirit. He will be sharing on how to be effective leaders so that we can help our parishioners and bring revival back to our parish.

Please block this date and time in your calendars and come listen and be encouraged in your respective ministry as leaders. This program is open to all CHS leaders and leaders-in-training. Please make the necessary effort to come for this formation.

3. **CHS FIRE WEEKEND | 6 & 7 SEPTEMBER 2025**

Our hearts were made to burn with love for Jesus—and this FIRE Weekend is your invitation to reignite that flame! We warmly invite you, your family, and friends to join us for a powerful two-day encounter with the Holy Spirit at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. Let this be a time of renewal, revival, and restoration—not just for our parish, but for your personal walk with Jesus as well.

Dates: 6th September 2025 (9.00AM – 5.30PM) & 7th September 2025 (1.00 – 7.00PM)

Main Speaker : Jude Antoine

Spiritual Director for the weekend : Bishop Bernard Paul

Fee: RM20 per person (includes meals)

Register by **24th August 2025** via the QR Code or contact Pedro at 016-4882650

Come and allow the Spirit of God to transform your heart and breathe new life into your relationship with Jesus. Let revival begin with YOU.

4. **BADMINTON COURTS**

Parishioners can come and play badminton every Sunday - either 3pm to 5pm or 5pm to 7pm. No charges and no registration required.

5. CHS FAMILY DAY | 16 SEPTEMBER 2025

We will be celebrating CHS Family Day this year on Tuesday 16th September 2025 beginning with Malaysia Day Mass at 9am followed by fellowship and games up to 2pm.
As we will be providing breakfast after Mass and lunch, kindly help us by registering through on-line google form QR code in poster or URL link below to enable us to prepare adequate food and minimize wastage.
URL Link <https://forms.gle/UGHr5WofBgMQmXow9>
Do come and join us to give thanks to God for peace and harmony on Malaysia Day together as one CHS Family.

6. SESSION OF MARY & REDISCOVERING THE POWER OF THE ROSARY | 27 SEPTEMBER 2025

Date: 27th September 2025
Time: 9.00am to 2.30pm (Lunch will be provided)
Main Speaker: Martin Jalleh
Registration Fee : RM5.00 per person
Please register via QR code – Payment to be collected on actual day.
Come and together we journey as a parish in formation and in preparation for the October month of the Rosary.

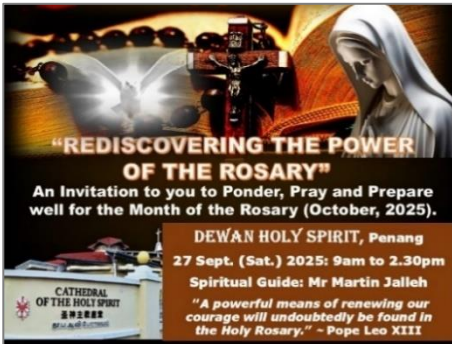
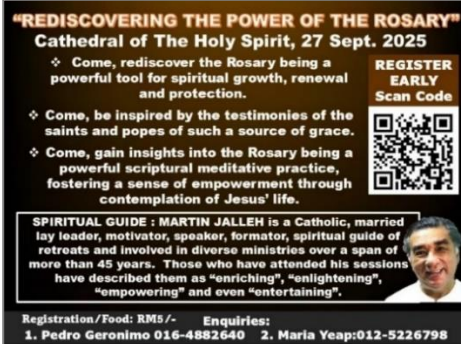
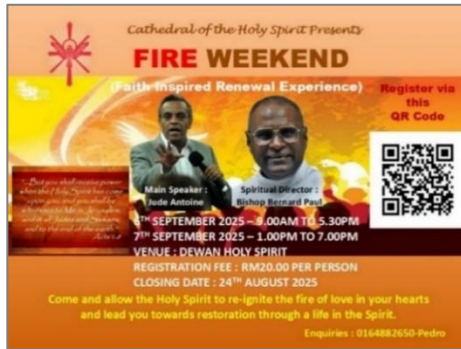
7. HAVEN YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY : AUGUST GATHERINGS

Hello to all Young Adults!

We're excited to invite you to our Haven Young Adults August Gathering! Starting on the 5th of August, 8pm to 10pm, we have something different lined up for you each week-connecting over games, diving into Bible study, dwelling in worship, and breaking the Word through sessions together. These gatherings are for ages 17–25 only, so if that's you, come be part of our community. Join us on the 2nd Floor Classroom (St. Michael) and remember:

Everyone who hears, thirst, 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)



8. MT MIRIAM CANCER HOSPITAL – H.U.G.S. CHARITY FUN RUN | 9 NOVEMBER 2025

H.U.G.S. – the 2025 edition is back!

We can't stress enough how much **Hope, Understanding & Group Support** mean in one's cancer journey. You never know who might be fighting a silent battle—so let's walk in solidarity, for those we know and those we don't. We're lacing up once again to raise funds for our Cancer Welfare Fund – and we want you with us!

♦ **Date: 9 Nov 2025 (Sunday)**

♦ **Flag-Off Time: 7am**

♦ **Venue: Straits Quay Promenade, Penang**

We'll be heading to Straits Green Park this time! Expect sea breeze, friendly faces, and if we're lucky – a breathtaking sunrise too.

♥ **To register:** https://howei.com/event_details/mountmiriamhugscharityrun2025

or you may scan the QR Code on the poster. Cancer survivors register for FREE! ♿ – 30 slots on a first-come, first-served basis.

For group registration of 20 participants and above, kindly get the manual registration excel file from us.

Not a runner? No problem. Come for the cause, stay for the good vibes, leave with the joy of knowing that you have made a difference. **All proceeds go to the Mount Miriam Cancer Welfare Fund, supporting cancer patients in need.** See you!

♥ **To make a donation:**

- Bank: OCBC Bank (Malaysia) Berhad
- Account Name: Mount Miriam Cancer Hospital TKPKMM
- Account Number: 7301297883

Send our team the donation slip to get your tax-exempt receipt.

The registration is now open! Mount Miriam team will be visiting the parish to promote the run-on 16th & 17th August 2025. If you are interested, kindly visit them at their booth on the day! Special rate for registration will be given upon their visitation.

For more enquiry or registration, you may contact:

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