

# NEWBEC

NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH | 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time | 24 August 2025

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE

## MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE

**SOCIETY (PROPHETIC)  
CALLED TO VISIBLE  
COLLABORATION**



## Discernment In Our Faith

As we begin the Peninsular Malaysia Pastoral Assembly this week—gathering clergy, religious, and laity from the three dioceses—it is timely to reflect on our journey as a Church in Peninsular Malaysia. With our 69th Independence Day approaching, this assembly is an opportunity for us to discern God's will for us.



“Our only desire  
and our one  
choice should be  
this: I want and  
I choose what  
better leads to  
God's deepening  
life in me.”

St. Ignatius Loyola

### SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Isaiah 66: 18-21

Psalms 116: 1-2

Hebrew 12: 5-7, 11-13

Luke 13: 22-30

It is easy, especially when we achieve a measure of success—as ministry, parish or diocese—to begin believing that our way is the best way, or worse, the only way. This mindset can subtly lead us into a dangerous pride, thinking we have all the answers, or that others must follow our path to righteousness.

In Jesus' time, many religious leaders fell into this trap. They saw themselves as separate from the crowds of “sinners” around them, believing that their strict observance of religious practices guaranteed their place in God's kingdom. But Jesus warned His disciples against this attitude, pointing out that many will fail to enter through the narrow door. His words challenge us to realize that it is nearly impossible for us to earn ourselves a place in Heaven by following the righteousness of the Law. He invites us to recognize that we need God's mercy, and that outward success—in wealth, status, or religious practice—is not the true measure of righteousness.

The second reading reinforces this, telling us that God corrects those He considers His children. His discipline, though painful, leads us towards a peace and goodness that surpasses what we could achieve on our own.

**This is what the Church is called to discern in the coming week – to examine ourselves and ask if what we are currently doing for our parishes, our ministries and our dioceses are truly what the people need and what God wants for us?** This may mean considering ideas that challenge our assumptions, or rethinking how we love and serve others – especially in the duty of catechesis that we are all called to – so that we may remain faithful to the teaching and open to new ways of catechising.

Let us pray for the grace to be like children before God, accepting His correction with openness and humility as He guides us to new insights and new ways of living our faith. ✝

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& FR JAMES TAN**

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**2025 THEME  
AUGUST**

**CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE**  
**SOCIETY (PROPHETIC)**  
**- CALLED TO VISIBLE COLLABORATION**

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSSES IN THE PARISH
Aug 24 (Sun) <i>Is 66:18-21</i> <i>Heb 12:5-7,11-13</i> <i>Lk 13:22-30</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	21 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)
Aug 25 (Mon)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	St. Louis St. Joseph of Calasanz, Priest
Aug 26 (Tue)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	
Aug 27 (Wed)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	St. Monica
Aug 28 (Thu)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor
Aug 29 (Fri)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	The Passion of St. John the Baptist
Aug 30 (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 31 (Sun) <i>Eccl 3:19-21,30-31</i> <i>Heb 12:18-19,22-24a</i> <i>Lk 14:1,7-14</i>	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	22 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) MERDEKA DAY

**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 Gopal
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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](mailto:admin@holyspiritcathedral.com)

**Our Collection on 14 & 15 August 2025 (Assumption): RM 6,919.05**

**Our Collection on 16 & 17 August 2025: RM 11,075.22**

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

### 1. **MERDEKA DAY | 31 AUGUST 2025 (SUNDAY)**

All are encouraged to come for the Masses in national costumes to show our patriotism spirit.

### 2. **GLOWING EMBERS MINISTRY: BE CONFIDENT IN YOUR PRAYER | 2 SEPTEMBER 2025**

When we choose to walk in alignment with God's will, we can be assured that He listens and responds to our prayers. As 1 John 5:14-15 reminds us, our confidence comes from knowing that whenever we ask in accordance with His will, He hears us. We cannot rely on our own strength alone; instead, we must place our trust fully in God. And as we pray, we are called to do so with the certainty that our prayers reach Him.

Date/Time: 2 September 2025 (Tuesday) at 9.45am

Venue: St Mark Classroom

Speaker: Carmelita Xavier.

### 3. **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.

### 4. **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.



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: 27<sup>th</sup> 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).*

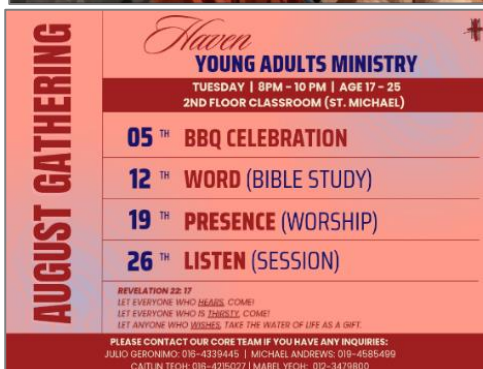
For more details, feel free to contact Julio (016-4339445) or Caitlin (016-4215027)



**BE CONFIDENT  
IN YOUR  
PRAYER**

2 Sept  
9.45am  
St Mark  
Classroom

Speaker:  
Carmelita  
Xavier



**AUGUST GATHERING**

*Haven*  
**YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY**

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

**05<sup>TH</sup> BBQ CELEBRATION**

**12<sup>TH</sup> WORD (BIBLE STUDY)**

**19<sup>TH</sup> PRESENCE (WORSHIP)**

**26<sup>TH</sup> LISTEN (SESSION)**

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

PLEASE CONTACT OUR CORE TEAM IF YOU HAVE ANY INQUIRIES:  
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Cathedral of the Holy Spirit Presents  
**FIRE WEEKEND**  
(Faith Inspired Renewal Experience)

Register via this QR Code

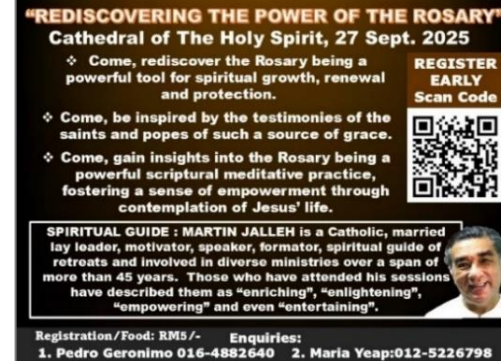
Main Speaker :  
Judie Antoine

Spiritual Director :  
Bishop Bernard Paul

6<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025 – 8.00AM TO 5.30PM  
7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025 – 1.00PM TO 7.00PM  
VENUE : DEWAN HOLY SPIRIT  
REGISTRATION FEE : RM20.00 PER PERSON  
CLOSING DATE : 24<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2025

Come and allow the Holy Spirit to re-ignite the fire of love in your hearts  
and lead you towards restoration through a life in the Spirit.

Enquiries : 0164882650-Pedro



**"REDISCOVERING THE POWER OF THE ROSARY"**  
Cathedral of The Holy Spirit, 27 Sept. 2025

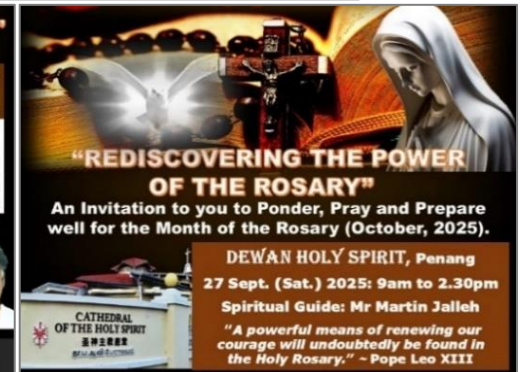
- ❖ Come, rediscover the Rosary being a powerful tool for spiritual growth, renewal and protection.
- ❖ Come, be inspired by the testimonies of the saints and popes of such a source of grace.
- ❖ Come, gain insights into the Rosary being a powerful scriptural meditative practice, fostering a sense of empowerment through contemplation of Jesus' life.

REGISTER EARLY Scan Code

QR Code

SPIRITUAL GUIDE : MARTIN JALLEH is a Catholic, married lay leader, motivator, speaker, formator, spiritual guide or retreats and involved in diverse ministries over a span of more than 45 years. Those who have attended his sessions have described them as "enriching", "enlightening", "empowering" and even "entertaining".

Registration/Food: RM5/- Enquiries:  
1. Pedro Geronimo 016-4882640 2. Maria Yeap: 012-5226798



**"REDISCOVERING THE POWER OF THE ROSARY"**

An Invitation to you to Ponder, Pray and Prepare well for the Month of the Rosary (October, 2025).

DEWAN HOLY SPIRIT, Penang  
27 Sept. (Sat.) 2025: 9am to 2.30pm  
Spiritual Guide: Mr Martin Jalleh

"A powerful means of renewing our courage will undoubtedly be found in the Holy Rosary." – Pope Leo XIII



All are invited to  
**CHS Family Day  
on Malaysia Day**

**16 SEPTEMBER 2025 (TUE)**  
**9AM MASS FOLLOWED BY FAMILY DAY  
ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES UNTIL 2PM**

QR Code