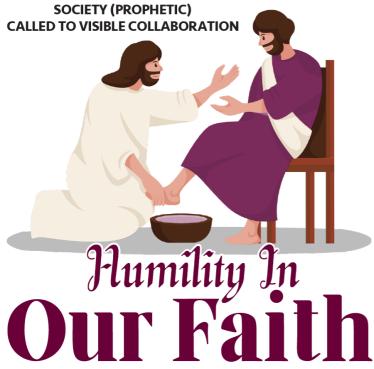


NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH | 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time | 31 August 2025

# CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRMS OF HOPE

# **MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE**



As the month of August draws to a close and we complete our reflections on catechesis and catechetical activity, let us pause a moment to reflect on one very important aspect of our journey as a people called to catechesis: humility.

The first reading today reminds us that true wisdom begins with humility. Only when we acknowledge our place before God, can we begin to learn from Him. The second reading reinforces this truth,



"Pride comes first; disgrace soon follows; with the humble, is wisdom found."

Proverbs 11: 2

calling to mind the greatness of God who has created us, gathered us as His people, and bestowed on us the grace to be saints and adopted children of God. Recognising how small we are before the glory of God and how much we owe to His mercy, we are invited to reflect that humility in our ministry and in our daily lives as we echo our faith.

This call to humility is mirrored in today's Gospel. Jesus warns against the temptation to seek status or recognition, instead urging His listeners to take the lowest places. He invites us to give to the weak and lowly, those who are unable to repay us, so that we may receive our reward from God Himself. He teaches us that true greatness is not something we can claim for ourselves, but something God bestows on us.

As catechists, especially, we must constantly remember to guard ourselves against pride. It is easy to fall into its trap—measuring success by numbers, praise, or visible results. But our mission is not about us. It is about God working through us. We must continually seek His guidance and lean on His grace to reach the hearts of those entrusted to our care.

When we walk humbly before our Lord, others are drawn, not to our achievements, but to the spirit in which we serve. Our humility creates space for collaboration, for community, and for the Spirit to move freely among us. It is then that the fruit of our work multiplies far beyond what we imagined possible.

Let us, therefore, ask for the grace to recognise our place before God, to trust fully in His love, and to walk humbly with Him. In doing so, we allow Him to build His Kingdom through us, far greater than anything we could accomplish alone. •

# SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Ecclesiasticus 3: 17-20, 28-29

Psalm 67: 4-7, 10-11

Hebrew 12: 18-19, 22-24

Luke 14: 1, 7-14

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**2025 THEME AUGUST** 

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- CALLED TO VISIBLE COLLABORATION

DATE	IIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH	
Aug 31 (Sun) Eccl 3:19-21,30-31 Heb 12:18-19,22-24a Lk 14:1,7-14	8.00 am 10.30 am	MASS (M) MASS (E)	22 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C) MERDEKA DAY	
Sep 01 (Mon)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)	World Day of Prayer of the Care of Creation	
Sep 02 (Tue)	6.40 am 7.00 am	Lauds MASS (E)		
Sep 03 (Wed)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	St. Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor	
Sep 04 (Thu)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)		
Sep 05 (Fri)	6.10 pm 6.30 pm	Vespers MASS (E)	St. Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa), Religious	
Sep 06 (Sat)	6.40 am 7.00 am 5.30 pm 6.00 pm	Lauds MASS (E) Novena to OMPH MASS (E)		
Sep 07 (Sun) Wis 9:13-18 Phm 9-10,12-17 Lk 14:25-33	8.00 am 10.30 am 8.00 pm	MASS (M) MASS (E) MASS (T)	23 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)	
E = English M = Mandarin T = Tamil BM = Bahasa Malaysia				

## **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 23 & 24 August 2025:

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection on 06 & 07 September 2025 is for the poor and needy

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

#### **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 Carmelita Xavier. Speaker:

#### 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.

#### SPIRITUAL BOUQUET | 8 SEPTEMBER 2025

In conjunction with the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on 8th September 2025 -- a day dedicated in prayer to our Blessed Mother Mary -- CHS Legion of Mary will offer a 'Spiritual Bouquet', which is a form of continuous Rosary prayers for the day.

All Parishioners are invited to participate. Please fill up your name in the following Google Form link.

https://forms.gle/UFD1FZwMA8wTRaWN7

#### 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.

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#### 5. 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.

#### 6. BADMINTON COURTS

The badminton courts will not be available for use on 31 August, 7 September and 14 September.

### 7. HAVEN YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY: SEPTEMBER GATHERINGS

Hello to all Young Adults!

We're excited to invite you to our Haven Young Adults September Gathering! Starting on the 2nd of September, 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. 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. CHOICE TAMIL WEEKEND (DIOCESE OF PENANG) | 16-19 OCTOBER 2025

CHOICE Tamil Weekend (Diocese of Penang) invites all single working adults (21-35 years old) to join from 16-19 October 2025 at Domus, St. Anne. A time to grow in faith, discover God's call and build lasting friendships. • Contact: Eloise (011-23392669)







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