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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD | 29 March 2026

LENTEN REFLECTION 6

WALKING TOGETHER TOWARDS A SYNODAL AND PROPHETIC CHURCH

A People for Missionary Discipleship

MONTHLY FOCUS: ECOLOGY: Restoring Our Common Home



“In the One, We Are One”

Our liturgy for Palm Sunday and Holy Week mirrors life, which is full of bittersweet contrasts. We are given a foretaste of Easter joy but also the grim prospect of Good Friday.



SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Isaiah 50: 4-7
Psalm 21: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24
Philippians 2: 6-11
Matthew 26: 14 – 27: 66
(or 27: 11-54)



The story of Palm Sunday helps us to understand the path that needs to be taken by us. Our Lord comes in humility, not in pomp and pageantry. As a King, He does not conquer by force, but by love, grace, mercy, and by sacrificing His own life for His people. He conquers not nations, but hearts and minds. His message is one of peace, a lasting peace, not just a temporal ceasefire.

As we follow the Lord, we, too, will face a certain amount of suffering, rejection, loneliness and the prospect of death. **Where the world values power, we must value humility. Where the world values strength and even physical force, we are called to be peacemakers.** Where the world values popularity, we must be prepared to receive criticism and insults. We must be living contradictions. Still, we must walk with Christ without fear and reservation, for He will lead us through the "valley of death" to everlasting life in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Finally, our King and Lord teaches us the true meaning of love. Pope Leo beautifully concludes his reflection on the poor by rooting it in love. "Love is above all a way of looking at life and a way of living it. A Church that sets no limits to love, that knows no enemies to fight but only men and women to love, is the Church that the world needs today" (DT#120).

During this Mass, let us pray for the grace to walk steadily with Jesus. The cheers and jeers of people over the years may come and go, but I remain standing by the King who eternally stands by me and promises a reward to all those who are faithful to Him and His gospel. There will be times we will feel like giving up. But then we remember once again the promise of Palm Sunday, look not for earthly honour from men which will not last but always set our hearts on the heavenly glory accorded only by God that will never wither. In Him, we will be One!✝

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“Palm Sunday
tells us that ...
it is the cross
that is the true
tree of life”
- Pope Benedict XVI

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2026 THEME
MARCH / APRIL

**WALKING TOGETHER TOWARDS A SYNODAL AND PROPHETIC CHURCH
(A PEOPLE FOR MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP)**
ECOLOGY / SOCIETY (CONVERSION OF RELATIONSHIPS)
- RESTORING OUR COMMON HOME / YOUTH EMPOWERMENT

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY	MASSES IN THE PARISH
Mar 29 (Sun) <i>Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14-27:66</i>	8.00 am	MASS (M) with Procession	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (YEAR A) (Blessing of Palms)
	10.30 am	MASS (E) No procession	
Mar 30 (Mon)		NO MASS	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK
Mar 31 (Tue)	8.00 pm	MASS (E)	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
Apr 01 (Wed)	8.00 pm	MASS (E)	WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
Apr 02 (Thu) <i>Ex 12:1-8, 11-14 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15</i>	6.00 pm	MASS (M) + Washing of Feet	HOLY THURSDAY (Collection for Holy Land) (Adoration of Blessed Sacrament at the Altar of Repose till midnight)
	8.30 pm	MASS (ET) + Washing of Feet + Transfer of B.S.	
Apr 03 (Fri) <i>Is 52:13-53:12 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42</i>	12:00 pm	WOTC & SERVICE (E)	GOOD FRIDAY (Fast & Abstinence)
	4.00 pm	WOTC & SERVICE (M)	
	8.00 pm	WOTC & SERVICE (ET)	
Apr 04 (Sat) <i>Gen 1:1-2:2 Ex 14:15-15:1 Ez 36:16-28 Rom 6:3-11 Mt 28:1-10</i>	6.00 pm	MASS (M)	EASTER VIGIL (RCIA RITE OF INITIATION)
	9.30 pm	MASS (ET)	
Apr 05 (Sun) <i>Acts 10:34,37-43 Col 3:1-4 Mt 28:1-10</i>	8.00 am	MASS (M)	EASTER SUNDAY
	10.30 am	MASS (E)	

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 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 21 & 22 March 2026: RM 8,868.78

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

1. LENTEN COMPANION: WALKING WITH MARY TO JERUSALEM

Location : Blessed Sacrament Chapel
 When : After Mass in English
 Date : 28/29 March (Holy Week) Topic: ANTICIPATION

Enter the heart of Mary as she accompanies Jesus to Jerusalem

This Lenten prayer program by Fr. Mark Toups includes insightful reflections, prayers and other resources to lead you through Lent day by day. Throughout Lent, you will draw closer to Jesus Christ and experience his journey to Jerusalem from the perspective of the person who knows him best: Mary, the Blessed Mother. By walking alongside Mary, your Lent will become an intimate journey where you'll share in her sorrows and love, drawing ever closer to the heart of Jesus.

2. WASHING OF THE FEET WITH FAMILY | 02 APRIL 2026

"If I, then, the Lord and Master, have washed your feet, you must wash each other's feet." (John 13:14)

As Christ has commanded us to copy the act of service for others, we ought to practice the same - first to our own family members. This year on Maundy Thursday, we are launching a new activity involving family members.

After Maundy Thursday Mass, several stations in the Ground Floor Classrooms for families to participate in the washing of the feet of your respective family members. Families are encouraged to participate in this activity via Google Form below. 20 minutes slot is allocated for each family for the washing of the feet.

Let us celebrate Maundy Thursday meaningfully, not only in Mass and Adoration, but also actively participating in the washing of the feet - an act that Christ commanded to copy.

Date: 2 April 2026 (Thu)
 Time: 7.30 pm till 12 midnight (after Maundy Thursday Mass)
 Venue: St Mark's Room (Ground Floor Classrooms)

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/bDyJkPFrtLsEh5Co7>

Note: Please sign up for the slot that is after the Mass you are attending. Mandarin Mass is at 6pm to approx. 7.15pm. English/Tamil Mass is at 8.30pm to approx. 9.45pm.

3. **BEC MASSES**

Please take note that there will be BEC Masses at 8pm at the respective Zones:

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| ➤ 10 Apr - Zone G | ➤ 10 Jun - Zone B |
| ➤ 23 Apr - Zone H | ➤ 25 Jun - Zone C |
| ➤ 8 May - Zone I | ➤ 2 Jul - Zone D |
| ➤ 12 May - Zone A | ➤ 15 Jul - Zone E |

4. **OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS**

All zones, ministries, groups and families are encouraged to join the Outdoor Way of the Cross as we journey together in prayer this Lenten Season. Kindly write down your preferred date and time on the notice board.

5. **BADMINTON COURTS**

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

6. **HAVEN YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY (HYAM)**

Hello Young Adults! We're excited to invite you to our Haven Young Adults March Gathering. Starting on the 10th of March from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm, we have something different lined up for you twice a month - connecting over board games, diving into Bible study, dwelling in His presence, and reflecting on His Word through various sessions.

This gathering is for 17-25-year-olds only, so if you're in that age range, come and be part of our community. Join us in the 2nd Floor Classroom (St. Michael).

For more details, please contact Julio (016-4339445) or Caitlin (016-4215027).

7. **CHOICE PENANG: HOT CROSS BUNS SALE ON HOLY THURSDAY | 02 APRIL 2026**

Choice Penang will be having a Hot Cross Buns Sale on Holy Thursday, 2 April 2026. This is to raise funds for their upcoming activities. Your kind generosity and support is most appreciated.

8. **INVITATION TO MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

Dear Friends, we hope this message finds you well. My spouse and I have attended a Marriage Encounter Weekend, and it was truly a transformative experience for our relationship. We gained new insights, rekindled our connection, and discovered practical ways to strengthen our marriage.

We would love for you to experience the same blessings. Upcoming Marriage Encounter Weekends will be held at Domus St. Anne:

- Mandarin-speaking couples: 1st to 3rd May 2026
- English-speaking couples: 7th to 9th August 2026

This weekend is a wonderful opportunity to invest in your relationship and grow together as a couple. You can find more details at wwme.org

To register click on <https://forms.gle/Z983gPsNYZwg6esH9>

We sincerely encourage you to join - it could be one of the best gifts you give to your marriage.

Warmest regards, Marcellus + Dorothy (ME 49) Service Team

9. **3-IN-1 COMMUNITY HEALTH DAY**

Donate • Prevent • Protect

Date: 18 April 2026 (Saturday)

Time: 9.00am to 4.00pm

Venue: Dewan Holy Spirit Hall, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

a) **Blood Donation:**

CALLING ALL ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS.

Eligibility to Donate Blood:

- Age between 17 – 65 for regular donors / 17 – 60 for new donors (Individuals age 17 years are required to bring written consent from parents or guardian)
- Body weight above 45 kg
- In good physical and mental health with no chronic medical illness
- Not on long term medications
- Had enough sleep (more than 5 hours) the night prior to donation
- Had taken a meal prior to donation

**Note: Kindly bring your Identity Card and blood donor card (regular donors) on the event day

b) **Oral Health Check**

- Free dental check-up
- Oral hygiene advice
- Early detection of dental issues

c) **Basic Health Screening (Free check up except for Blood Cholesterol test)**

- Blood Pressure Check
- Blood Glucose Test
- Blood Cholesterol Test @ RM5.00per pax

**Note: Kindly bring your Identity Card for registration purposes on the event day

For further details, kindly contact:

June Lim at HP No: 017 – 866 2483 Germaine at HP No: 012 – 455 0390

10. **INFANT BAPTISM FOR MARCH 2026 | 26 APRIL 2026**

For parents who wish to have their child baptized, infant baptism will be held in the main church on Sunday, 26 April 2026 at 12noon. Please register at the parish office. There will be a pre-baptismal instruction and briefing for both parents and godparents.

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THE ASCENSION

Lenten Companion

Walking with Mary to Jerusalem

Location : Blessed Sacrament Chapel
When : After Mass in English

21 22 Feb	"PERSPECTIVE" FIRST WEEK	07 08 Mar	"NOTICE" THIRD WEEK	21 22 Mar	"OBEDIENCE" 5TH WEEK
28 01 Feb/ Mar	"ENDURE" SECOND WEEK	14 15 Mar	"RESIST" FOURTH WEEK	28 29 Mar	"ANTICIPATION" HOLY WEEK

Haven

YOUNG ADULTS MINISTRY

Tuesday | 8PM - 10 PM | Age 17 - 25
Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, 2nd Floor Classroom (St. Michael)

FEBRUARY 10.2 - Session
24.2 - Boardgames

Session - 10.3
Seder Meal (Sat) - 28.3 **MARCH**

APRIL 14.4 - Session
28.4 - Bible Study

Please contact our core team if you have any inquiries:
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Revelation 22:17
Let everyone who is thirsty, come!
Let everyone who is thirsty, take the water of life as a gift.

Looking to liven up your relationship this year?

Spend Quality Time together by attending a Marriage Encounter Weekend

- Mandarin Weekend on 1st to 3rd May 2026
- English Weekend on 7th to 9th August 2026

Stay-In Weekend at Domus, Minor Basilica of St Anne, Bukit Mertajam

worldwide marriage encounter



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24 March 2026

NOTICE ON THE MATTERS CONCERNING JULIA YOUN OF NAJU, KOREA

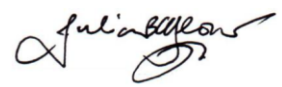
Dear People of God,

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei received a letter from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of Korea (CBCK), to advise all the clergy, religious, and faithful to refrain from participating in any events associated with Ms. Julia Youn (also known as Julia Kim) of Naju. The faithful are cautioned against attending Masses, liturgies, or sacraments in private places associated with her, and not to be misled by online media regarding her problems.

Please be informed that the Archdiocese of Gwangju, Korea, in close communication with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith (now the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith), had issued several official notices (in 1998, 2001, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012) admonishing the faithful not to be swayed by the agitation of Julia Youn and her followers. Despite these official diocesan prohibitions, Julia Youn and her followers continue to defy the Magisterium, and spread false claim that the Church's official recognition of the alleged 'Miracle of the Blessed Mother of Naju' is imminent. These actions are causing confusion among many of the faithful.

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of Malaysia, Singapore and Brunei is in agreement with the Archdiocese of Gwangju in that the actions and attitudes of Julia Youn and her followers are not in accord with Catholic practice and they are not promoting a sound devotion.

Wishing you the Lord's abundant blessing.



+ Most Reverend Julian Leow Beng Kim, D.D
President
The Catholic Bishops' Conference of Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei

Attachment: Letter from CBCK

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