



26th Notification & Updates in the Diocese of Penang



Month of June Peninsular Malaysia Pastoral Focus – SACRED HEART & IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (LOVING NEIGHBOUR AND SELF)

Encouraged by the constant infilling of the Holy Spirit in our everyday lives, let us offer up this month in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, as we journey closely with the Holy Spirit in union with the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. May the Solemnity of Corpus Christi this month help us to intensify the mystery of God's Amazing Love for each one of us. Be renewed, revived and rejuvenated through the Holy Eucharist at each Holy Mass.

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INTENDED FOR ALL THE CATHOLIC FAITHFUL IN THE DIOCESE OF PENANG

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FEASTS AND SOLEMNITIES



4th June
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

11th June
Solemnity of Corpus Christi



16th June
Solemnity of the
Most Sacred Heart of Jesus



17th June
Memorial of the Immaculate Heart
of the Blessed Virgin Mary



29th June
Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul,
Apostles



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UPDATES & HAPPENINGS OF THE DIOCESE

1. MALAYSIA RELIGIOUS ASSEMBLY 2023 (MRA 2023) | 8 – 11 June

The MRA 2023 will be guided by the vision of Malaysian Pastoral Convention 2026, where they gather in prayer, reflection and spiritual conversation to celebrate, listen and walk in the light of the Lord. Approximately 190 Religious Sisters, Brothers and Priests will participate in this significant event. Let us keep them close in prayer especially during this assembly.

2. MOTU PROPRIO "VOS ESTIS LUX MUNDI" | SAFEGUARDING OF MINORS & VULNERABLE ADULTS

The Holy Father, Pope Francis has promulgated on 25 March 2023 His Apostolic Letter Motu Proprio "Vos estis lux mundi", which entered into force on 30th April 2023. For every good purpose and for your direct knowledge of this Document, as well its application, I convey the English version of the above-mentioned Document. [CLICK HERE](#)

This Apostolic Letter can also be viewed in the Vatican website: [CLICK HERE](#)

3. APPOINTMENT OF REV. FR. FABIAN DICOM AS NATIONAL DIRECTOR OF CARITAS MALAYSIA

Rev. Fr. Fabian Dicom has been officially appointed as National Director of Caritas Malaysia with effect from 15th May 2023. Let us continue to pray for the mission of Caritas in Malaysia and throughout the world, journeying in solidarity as one Body of Christ for the mission of charity. [CLICK HERE](#)

4. APPOINTMENT OF REV. FR. PATRICK MASSANG CSSR AS ASSISTANT PRIEST

Rev. Fr. Patrick Massang CSsR has been appointed Assistant Priest of Church of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Ipoh with effect from 1st June 2023. My heartfelt thanks to Rev. Fr. Patrick Massang, CSsR for his continued contributions in his priestly ministry in the parish.



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5. APPOINTMENT AS HEAD OF PERMANENT DEACONS FOR THE DIOCESE OF PENANG

Deacon Lazarus Jonathan has been appointed as Head of Permanent Deacons for Penang Diocese replacing Deacon Clement Samuel with effect from 1st June 2023. We thank Deacon Clement for his dedicated and committed contributions and services, and welcome Deacon Lazarus Jonathan with gratitude for his generous availability in accepting this new role and mission.

6. PENANG DIOCESE CATHOLIC HERITAGE CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

The Committee which was previously known as Penang Catholic Heritage Preservation will now be known as Penang Diocese Catholic Heritage Conservation Committee following up from their recent meeting on 26th May 2023.

7. PENANG ISLAND DEANERY CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATION

The parishes of Penang Island Deanery will be organizing the celebration of Corpus Christi at the Church of Assumption with Vespers and Mass followed by Procession from the Church of Assumption to the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows. All are welcome.

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BISHOP'S DIARY FOR JUNE 2023

1 June 12.00pm	Pesta Kaamatan & Gawai Lunch College General Major Seminary, Penang
2 June 8.00am	Mass Pusat Keuskupan Katolik, Penang
3 June 11.00am	Diocesan Council AGM - St. Vincent de Paul Society Church of the Immaculate Conception, Penang
4 June 8.30am	Mass Church of the Immaculate Conception, Penang
6 June 1.30pm	Meeting - Catholic Health Care Asia (CHCA) – Mt. Miriam Cancer Hospital Zoom
6 June 6.00pm	Meeting – Penang Diocesan Finance Committee Pusat Keuskupan Katolik, Penang
7 June 10.30pm	Site Visit & Meeting Asrama Bintang & Sites in Ipoh
8-11 June	Malaysia Religious Assembly MAJODI, Johor Bahru
12 June 4.00pm	FABC - Radio Veritas Asia (RVA) Zoom
13 June 10.00am	Council of Priests (COP) Meeting Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam
13 & 14 June	Clergy Monthly Recollection (CMR)
16 June 10.30am	Meeting – Archdiocesan Office of Human Development (AOHD) & Caritas Penang Pusat Keuskupan Katolik, Penang
17 June 7.00pm	Federation of Asian Bishops' Conference – Office of Social Communication (FABC-OSC) Inauguration of Online Webinar
18 June 9.00am	Confirmation Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Silibin, Ipoh
18 June 3.00pm	Mass & Diocesan Celebration of Kaamatan – Gawai Festival Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam (Live-streamed)
19 June 6.00pm	Feast Day of College General Major Seminary, Penang & 25th Sacerdotal Anniversary of Rev. Fr. Simon Labrooy
20-30 June	Parish and National Shrine of Saint Padre Pio, Lipa, Philippines Federation of Asian Bishops' Conference – Radio Veritas Asia (RVA), Manila, Philippines



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

FOR THE ABOLITION OF TORTURE

We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.