



36TH NOTIFICATION IN THE DIOCESE OF PENANG

Blessings of the Risen Lord! Christ is truly Risen! Alleluia!

In *Christus Vivit*, we read the joyful words of Pope Francis in the opening paragraph of the Post-Synodal Exhortation to young people and to the entire people of God: "Christ is alive and He wants you to be alive!" It continues, "He is our hope, everything he touches becomes young, new, full of life. He is in you, he is with you and he never abandons you. However far you may wander, he is always there, the Risen One." Fr. Errol Fernandes, SJ in one of his reflection writes "Because of Easter, Every Area Starts To Enter Renewal!"



I wish you newness of mind, heart and soul as we journey through the 50 days of celebration in this Glorious Mystery of Easter!

Cardinal Sebastian Francis

MONTH OF APRIL PENINSULAR
MALAYSIA PASTORAL FOCUS –
CELEBRATING THE DIGNITY
AND VALUE OF WOMEN



April 2024



CELEBRATIONS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

7th April 2024

2nd Sunday of Easter | Divine Mercy Sunday



8th April 2024

Annunciation of the Lord



10th-11th April 2024

Hari Raya Puasa



21st April 2024

4th Sunday of Easter | Vocation Sunday



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WITH THEM WHO TOLD THIS TO THE APOSTLES.

LUKE 24:8-10



UPDATES & HAPPENINGS OF THE DIOCESE OF PENANG :



1. PROVINCIAL COUNCIL FOR CANOSSIANS

The new Provincial Council for the year 2024 to 2027 in the Province of Mater Dei as Canossians in Malaysia are as follows:-

Sister Provincial Leader : Sr. Christin Law

Sister Vice Provincial Leader : Sr. Retta Savariannan.

Sister Provincial Councillor : Sr. Roslin Zaccharius.

We congratulate them and continue to pray for their leadership and the mission of the congregation.

2. SGRG CORE TEAM 2024-2027

I am pleased to share with you the core team of Shekinah Glory Renewal Group (SGRG) under the umbrella of CHARIS PENANG, a service of communion with all the expressions of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal of the Church in the Diocese of Penang. [CLICK HERE](#)

3. GRADUATES OF THE 2ND MALAYSIAN COHORT | 2 YEAR DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMME

I congratulate the thirteen individuals from the arch/dioceses of Kuala Lumpur, Malacca-Johore and Penang who were conferred with the Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Catholic Culture (GCLCC) by the Australian Catholic University (ACU). May they continue to serve in their mission with greater zeal, wisdom and courage. [CLICK HERE](#)

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4. DIPLOMA IN THEOLOGY - MANDARIN

I congratulate Ms. Jeanne J Saw who has recently obtained a Diploma in Theology conducted in Mandarin. This online studies is by the Catholic Theological Institute of Singapore encompassing a prerequisite of 6 modules for a certificate course and 6 modules for a diploma course. [CLICK HERE](#)

5. KITAB DEUTEROKANONIKA (DC) BAHASA MALAYSIA VERSI BORNEO

I would greatly appreciate your kind assistance to share this message to all our Bahasa speaking community on the availability of this bible in Bahasa Malaysia. The contact information and other details can be found here. [CLICK HERE](#)

6. OZANAM RETIREMENT VILLAGE

Ozanam Retirement Village (ORV) is a project by the National Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) located at Taiping, Perak. The units are now available for booking. Contact details and other information can be found on the poster. [CLICK HERE](#)

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7. ARISE YOUTH DAY HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED AND NOW OPEN TO ALL THE FAITHFUL

CHARIS Peninsular Malaysia Service of Communion (CPMSC) has cancelled the previous program ARISE YOUTH DAY. A new program titled ARISE DAY will be organized. This event will take place on 13 & 14 of September and is open to all. It will be held at the Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam.

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8. 2024 FEAST OF ST. ANNE & ST. JOACHIM, MINOR BASILICA OF ST. ANNE, BUKIT MERTAJAM

The Novena and Feast of St. Anne this year will begin from 19th July 2024 and culminate on 28th July 2024. Let us pray for all pilgrims, volunteers, celebrants and confessors as we experience a meaningful and grace-filled celebration through the intercession of St. Anne and St. Joachim.

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9. MESSAGE FOR THE MONTH OF RAMADAN AND 'ID AL-FITR 2024

I am pleased to share with you the message from the Dicastery for Interreligious Dialogue titled, "Christians and Muslims: Extinguish the Fire of War and Light the Candle of Peace". for the month of Ramadan and 'Id al-Fitr.

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10. CARITAS PENANG CAMP | YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE - 4 & 5 MAY

Caritas Penang will be organizing a weekend camp to experience and expose youths to the ministry of Social Mission in the Diocese of Penang. For registration and other details

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BISHOP'S DIARY

4th April
11:30 am

Meeting - Federation Asian Bishops' Conference-Office of Social Communications (FABC-OSC) | Zoom

20th April
8am - 8pm

Permanent Deacons' Formation | Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam

23rd-24th
April

Clergy Monthly Recollection - Deanery Level

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FOR THE ROLE OF WOMEN

WE PRAY THAT THE *DIGNITY* AND
IMMENSE VALUE OF WOMEN BE
RECOGNISED IN EVERY CULTURE,
AND FOR THE END.

