

# 49<sup>TH</sup> NOTIFICATION IN THE DIOCESE OF PENANG



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DIOCESE OF PENANG  
MALAYSIA



In Loving Memory of  
HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS  
(1936–2025)

A humble shepherd, a voice of mercy,  
a beacon of hope.

*Forever in our prayers and hearts.*

May 2025

PENINSULAR MALAYSIA  
PASTORAL THEME –  
CALLED TO ACCOMPANY  
FAMILIES FACING CHALLENGES



# Celebrations for the month of May



**Saint Joseph the Worker**  
1<sup>st</sup> May 2025



**Saint Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor**  
2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025



**Saints Philip and James, Apostles - Feast**  
3<sup>rd</sup> May 2025



**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
4<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Saint John of Avila, Priest, Doctor**  
10<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
11<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs**  
12<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Saint Pancras, Martyr**  
12<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Our Lady of Fatima**  
13<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Saint Matthias, Apostle - Feast**  
14<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
18<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Saint Bernadine of Siena, Priest**  
20<sup>th</sup> May 2025



# Celebrations for the month of *May*



**Saint Christopher  
Magallanes and  
his Companions,  
Martyrs**  
21<sup>st</sup> May 2025

**Saint Rita of  
Cascia**  
22<sup>nd</sup> May 2025

**Our Lady, Help  
of Christians**  
24<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**6th Sunday of  
Easter**  
25<sup>th</sup> May 2025



**Saint Philip  
Neri, Priest**  
26<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**Saint Augustine  
of Canterbury,  
Bishop**  
27<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**The Ascension of  
the Lord -  
Solemnity**  
29<sup>th</sup> May 2025

**The Visitation of  
the Blessed  
Virgin Mary -  
Feast**  
31<sup>st</sup> May 2025

# UPDATES & HAPPENINGS OF THE DIOCESE



## 1. MESSAGE OF THANKSGIVING AND REQUEST FOR PRAYER

Blessings from Vatican City, Rome as we remember with gratitude the treasure and blessing Pope Francis had been to the Universal Church. Sharing the letter sent to all the People of God on the day of my travel.

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## 2. REQUIEM MASS IN HONOR OF OUR HOLY FATHER, POPE FRANCIS

Thank you for your continued prayers and offering of Masses for the repose of the soul of our beloved Pope Francis.

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## 3. THE LAUNCH OF PERJALANAN SALIB IN THE DIOCESE OF PENANG

This symbolic and spiritual journey begins with Mass on Thursday, 1st May 2025 at 10:00 AM at the Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam, in conjunction with the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker.

Let us gather as a diocesan community to walk together in faith and unity as we journey towards MPC 2026. Please be ready to welcome the Salib in your various communities within the diocese. Sharing the route of the Salib for the Diocese of Penang.

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## 4. PENINSULAR MALAYSIA DEACONS AND WIVES ANNUAL GATHERING 2025

I invite you to pray for all the Permanent Deacons, Candidates and their spouses gathered at MAJODI for this gathering from 30 April - 2nd May 2025. Let us also lift up Archbishop Julian Leow, Bishop Bernard Paul and all the priests who will be journeying with them in these days.

## 5. ESTABLISHMENT OF INDEPENDENT LIEUTENANCY OF THE EQUESTRIAN ORDER OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE OF JERUSALEM - LIEUTENANCY OF MALAYSIA PENANG

This establishment of the Lieutenancy of Malaysia Penang will formally take place on 24th May 2025, while the Investiture Ceremony will be on 25th May 2025 at the Church of Immaculate Conception, Penang.

## 6. UPDATES ON PLACEMENT/MOVEMENTS OF INFANT JESUS SISTERS IN THE DIOCESE OF PENANG

Sr. Amy Sam is now at the Waterfall Formation House, Penang. She is the Sister-in-Charge of Initial Formation.

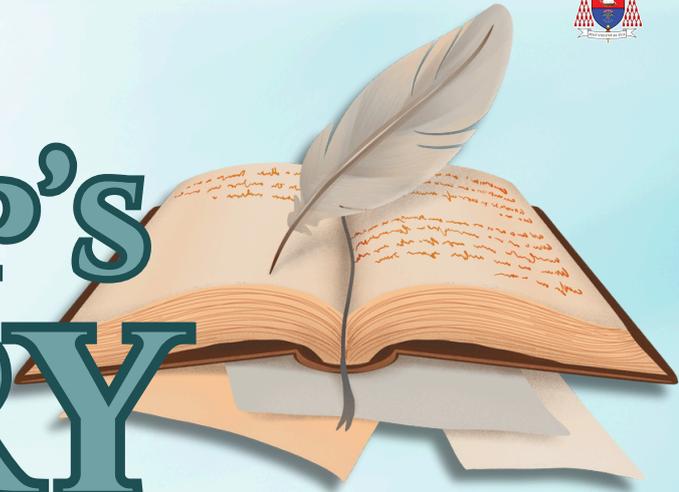
Sr. Marie Angele Phang has moved to Light Street Convent together with Sr. Rita Lim and Sr. Gertrude Tan.

Sr. Daniel Ee has joined the community in Sitiawan since March 2025.

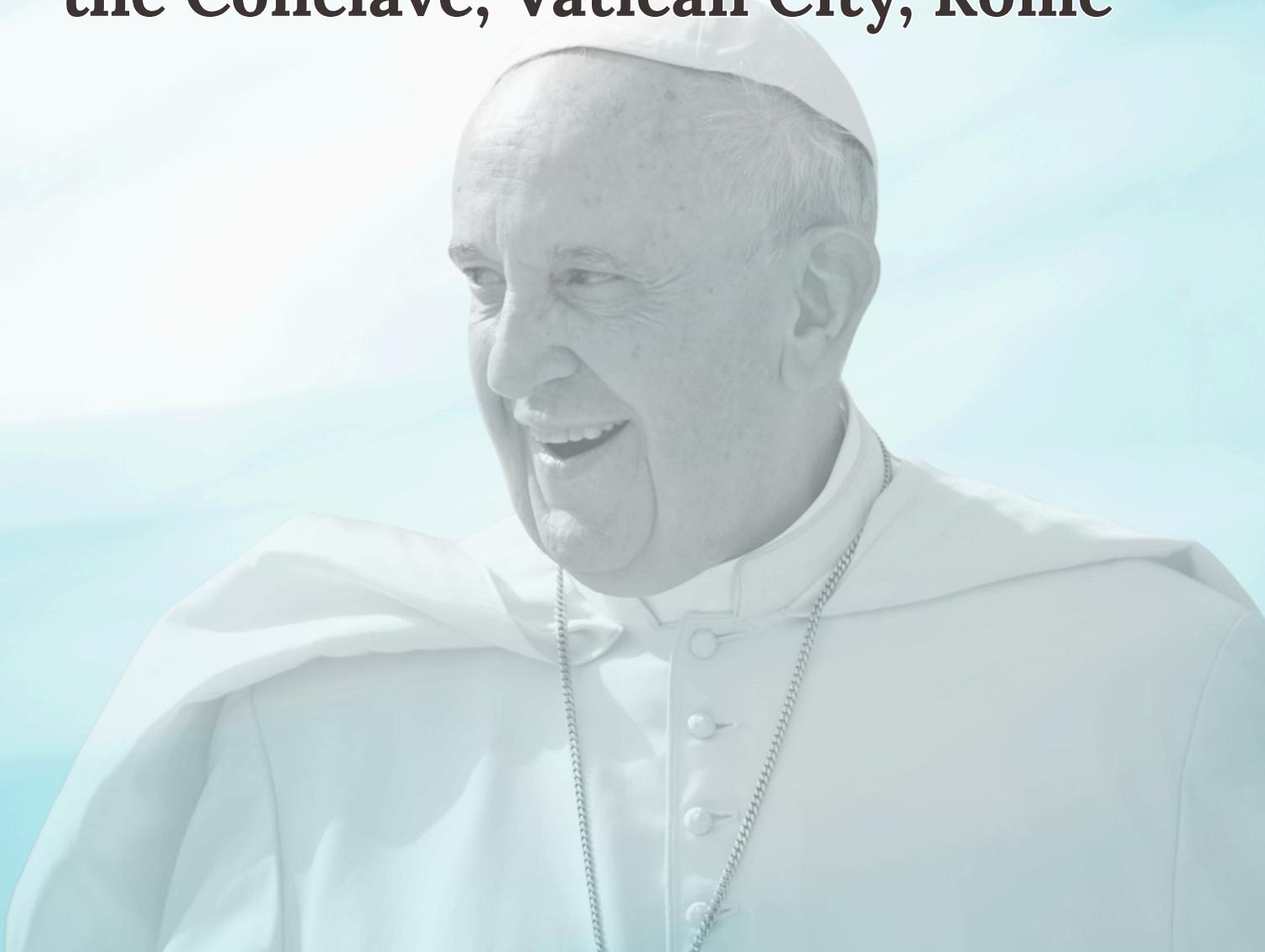
We remember in prayer, the mission of the IJ sisters in our diocese.



# BISHOP'S DIARY



**Funeral of Pope Francis and  
the Conclave, Vatican City, Rome**





# Let us unite in prayer

for the College of Cardinals as they gather for the Conclave, that the Holy Spirit may guide them to elect a shepherd after God's own heart.

*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful, and enkindle in them the fire of Your love.*

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