

THE GIVER OF EVERY GOOD AND PERFECT GIFT HAS CALLED UPON US TO MIMIC GOD'S GIVING, BY GRACE, THROUGH EAITH, AND THIS IS NOT OF OURSELVES.

St. Nicholas of Myra

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PENINSULAR MALAYSIA

PASTORAL THEME –

CALLED TO FOSTER A SENSE

OF BELONGING AND

EMPOWERMENT TO

EVANGELISE

UPDATES & HAPPENINGS (a) OF THE DIOCESE

1. THE GREAT PILGRIMAGE OF HOPE 2025 | 27 - 30 NOVEMBER 2025

I thank all those involved in the organizing, participating and who silently worked behind the scenes in making this event a memorable and a grace-filled one. 'The Great Pilgrimage of Hope' is jointly organised and hosted by the Federation of Asian Bishops Conference (FABC) – OE and the Diocese of Penang. This gathering brought together Cardinals, Bishops, Priests, Religious Heads, Deacons and People of God from the Asian continent and the Holy See, Rome, journeying together in synodality. With gratitude, we praise and thank the Lord as the Holy Spirit leads and guides us to continue telling the Story of Jesus in Asia and beyond.

"HOPE DOES NOT DISAPPOINT" (ROMANS 5:5)

2. KASIH FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE FOR THE SOCIAL MISSION OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN MALAYSIA

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of Malaysia has called for a nationwide special collection on the 6th and 7th December 2025 (2nd Sunday in Advent), during the 2nd Collection at all Masses. Proceeds will be channeled to the KASIH fundraising initiative for the Social Mission of the Catholic Church in Malaysia. Relevant materials on this initiative along with the campaign kit consisting of videos and bulletin inserts in four languages, can be downloaded and shared with all starting from this weekend and the following weekend masses via this link:

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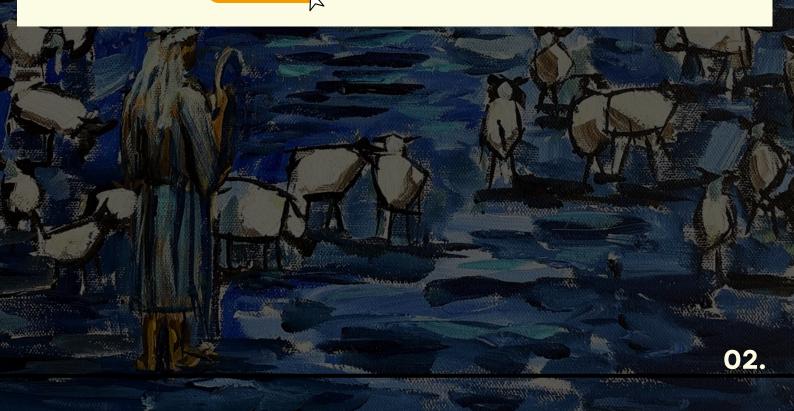
3. SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION | ADVENT 2025

Sharing the schedule for the Sacrament of Reconciliation available throughout the Diocese of Penang during the Season of Advent.

United with you as we partake and rejoice in this liberating grace-filled experience of God's Love and Mercy as we prepare for the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord this Christmas.

4. PENINSULAR MALAYSIA PASTORAL THEME FOR THE YEAR 2026

Sharing the attached 2026 Peninsular Malaysia Pastoral Theme, which has been translated to Bahasa, Tamil and Chinese for your kind reference CLICK HERE **





1st Dec | 7.00pm

Gathering with the Chosen Asian Vision Summit Team, Penang

6th Dec | 7.00pm

Penang State Christmas Celebrations - CFM Penang

7th Dec | 9.00am

Confirmation Mass - Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Butterworth

7th Dec | 7.00pm

Church of Divine Mercy Christmas Musical for Launching of Phase 1 of Multipurpose Hall Building Project, College General Major Seminary, Penang

12th Dec | 7.00pm

College General Christmas Dinner, College General

13th Dec | 11.30am

Msgr. Aloysius Spirituality Centre (MASC) Blessing, Penang Road

14th Dec | 10.00am

Penang Diocesan Prison Ministry Outreach Program for Christmas, Sungai Petani Prison



16th Dec | 9.00am

Meeting with Penang Diocese Seminarians, Bishop's Residence

21st Dec | 5.00pm

Jubilee of Hope and Christmas Celebration with Mass, Church of Immaculate Conception, Penang

24th Dec | 11.00pm

Christmas Eve Mass, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang

25th Dec | 9.00am

Christmas Day Mass, Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam

28th Dec | 5.30pm

Closing Mass for Jubilee Year of Hope 2025, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, Penang

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR





FOR CHRISTIANS IN AREAS OF CONFLICT

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

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