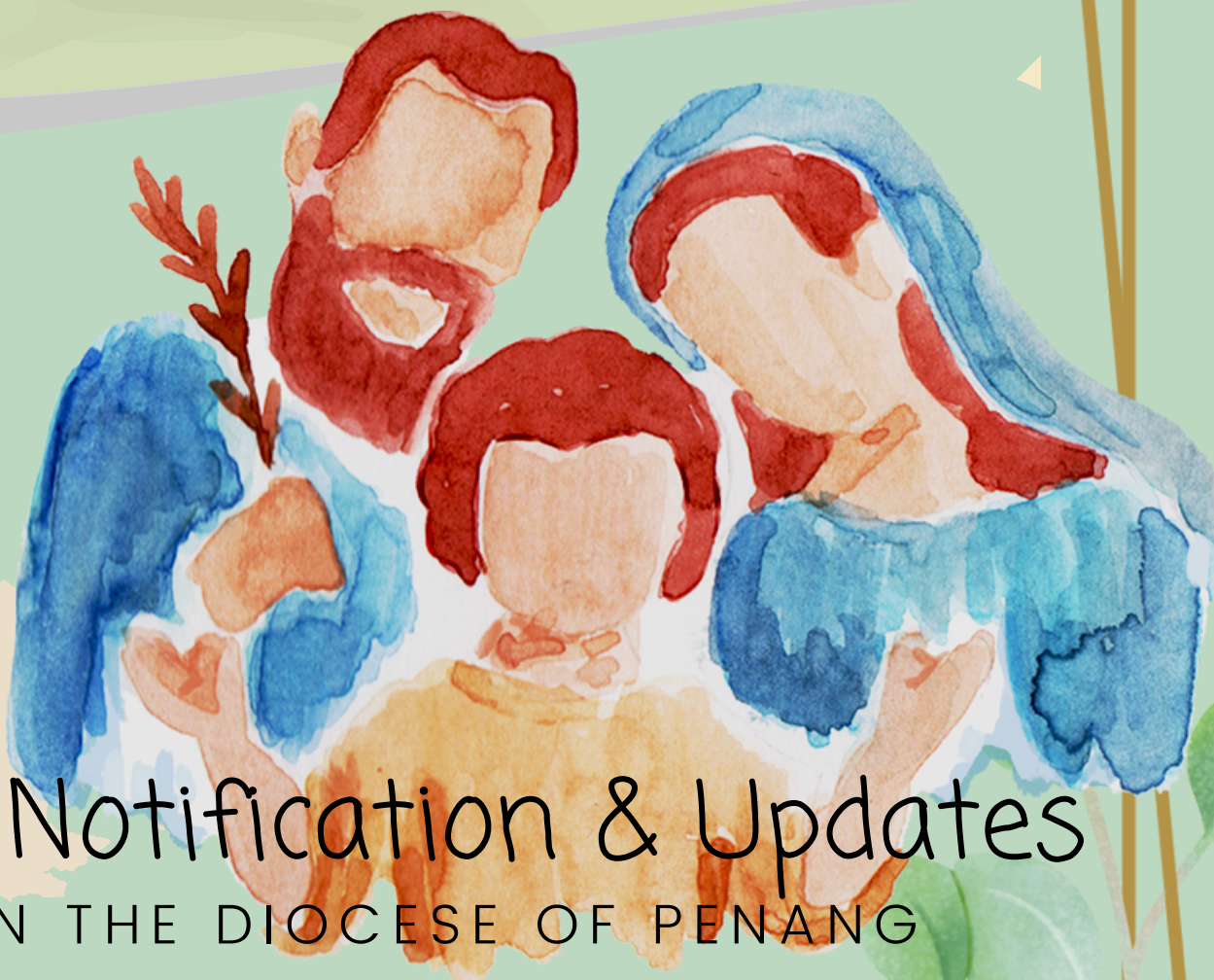




BLESSED NEW YEAR OF THE LORD 2022



9th Notification & Updates IN THE DIOCESE OF PENANG (JANUARY 2022)



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HAPPENINGS IN THE DIOCESE

- **Paul Kang** is a new candidate for the Permanent Diaconate and will be doing the Initiation Year at College General Major Seminary, Penang this year. In formation as a candidate for Permanent Diaconate, he resides at the Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam under the guidance and direction of Deacon Lazarus Jonathan.
- **Murnadevi Savaridas** is a new candidate for the Eremitic Life and will be undergoing the Initiation Year formation at College General Major Seminary, Penang this year. Kindly keep her in your prayers.
- I am pleased to welcome **Friar Crispus Mosinoh** to the Diocese of Penang for his diaconate attachment at the Parish of Risen Christ under Fr. Arul Mariadass wef from 17th Jan 2022. He has just been ordained a deacon on 26 November 2021 in Singapore by Archbishop William Goh.
- **Ms. Lee Li Mei** has been appointed Head of Penang Diocesan Bible Apostolate replacing **Rev. Fr. David Reegon** with effect from 1st November 2021. We thank Rev. Fr. David Reegon for his dedicated and committed services in this ministry, and welcome Ms. Lee Li Mei with gratitude for her generous availability in accepting this new role and mission.
- **CHARIS Penang Diocese Service of Communion** is pleased to share their organization chart with effect from 1st December 2021. We thank all the renewal groups involved in this service of communion of the Diocese of Penang. To view the organization chart, [click here](#).
- **Sr Mercie Lai, FMDM** is currently residing at the Minor Basilica of St. Anne, Bukit Mertajam for her area of ministry for pastoral care, assigned by the FMDM religious community.
- **Sr. Naomi Mejia, FSIC** has concluded her term in the Diocese of Penang serving especially the Bahasa speaking community. We thank her for her commitment and contributions, as we warmly welcome **Sr. Marysia Malating, FSIC** to the Diocese of Penang who will be taking over wef 1st February 2022.
- Appointment of priests in the Board of Governors of mission schools.
 - a. **Msgr Aloysius Tan** as member of BOG of St. Xavier's Institution, Penang with effect from 1 December 2021.
 - b. **Fr. James Pitchay** as member of BOG of SK St. Anthony, Langkap, Perak with effect from 16 January 2022.



The **Professional Standards Office** is tasked to provide formation on **'Keeping and Restoring Communion'** with regards to child protection in the Diocese of Penang to the respective parishes by the year 2022. The aim is to create awareness and commitment in Safeguarding of Children. In view of the present Covid19 situation, the presentation sessions will be conducted via **Zoom** online platform. The objective is

- To create awareness and commitment in Safeguarding of Children
- To explain the policies and protocols in the Child Protection Manual
- To inform the procedures in Reporting and Handling of complaints of child abuse and neglect
- And be kept abreast of the current child legislations in Malaysia

The target group will be Clergy, Religious, Catechists, Ministry/Committee Members, and Church Personnel.

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Stonyhurst International School, Penang is now open for registration for the Academic Year 2022/23. For more details on the steps of enrolment, table of ages, fee structure and prospectus, kindly visit the website www.stonyhurstpenang.edu.my or [click here](#).

PRIEST TRANSFERS

- **Rev. Fr. Francis Andrew** will be transferred as Parish Priest to the Parish of St. Francis de Sales, Sitiawan, Perak wef 10 Jan 2022.
- **Rev. Fr. James Pitchay** has been appointed Parish Priest of the Parish of St. Mary, Tapah, Perak wef 10 Jan 2022.
- **Rev. Fr. Vincent Paul** has been appointed Parish Priest of the Parish of the Most Holy Redeemer, Tg. Malim, Perak wef 10 Jan 2022.
- **Rev. Fr. Michael Dass** has been appointed Assistant Priest at City Parish, Penang wef 10 Jan 2022.
- **Rev. Fr. Konstend Gnanapragasam** has been appointed Parish Priest of the Parish of Our Lady of Fatima of the Holy Rosary, Kota Baru, Kelantan wef 10 Jan 2022.
- **Fr. Stanley Antoni** will be on sabbatical leave for the year 2022. He will be residing at the Parish of St. Louis, Taiping, Perak while assisting with the Migrant Ministry of the Diocese of Penang.



BISHOP'S DIARY



1 Jan	■	Mass & Blessing of New Parish Centre, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Butterworth
3-7 Jan	■	Catholic Bishops' Conference of Malaysia, Singapore, Brunei (CBCMSB)
8 Jan	■	Penang Catholic Heritage Preservation Committee Meeting
10 Jan	■	Handing Over of Parish of St. Mary, Tapah, Perak
15 Jan	■	Simee Home AGM
16 Jan	■	Confirmation – Church of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Ipoh
20 Jan	■	Mass - 19th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
22 Jan	■	Meeting of Auxiliaries of the Apostolate
24 Jan	■	Penang Diocesan Pastoral Team Meeting (PDPT)
25 Jan	■	Council of Priests & Clergy Monthly Recollection, Stella Maris
26 Jan	■	Clergy Monthly Recollection, Stella Maris
26 Jan	■	Meeting of Permanent Deacons, Stella Maris
29 Jan	■	Annual Red Mass - Mass for the Legal Profession, St. Thomas More
30 Jan	■	Catechetical Sunday

*Greetings of Harmony & Peace
to all in the Diocese of Penang and beyond*

*Thaipusam
18th Jan*

&

*Chinese New Year
1st & 2nd Feb*