

SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL SERVICES

DAY/ DATE	SEASON/ SAINTS	LIT.	TIME	READINGS
Mon, 29 Apr. '24	FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER, <i>Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor</i>	Mass	6:00 pm	<i>R1 - Acts 14: 5-18 G - Jn 14: 21-26</i>
Tue, 30 Apr. '24	FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER, <i>Pius V, Pope</i>	Mass	6:00 pm	<i>R1 - Acts 14: 19-28 G - Jn 14: 27-31</i>
Wed, 01 May '24	FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER, <i>Joseph the Worker</i>	Mass Novena	6:00 pm 6:30 pm	<i>R1 - Acts 15: 1-6 G - Jn 15: 1-8</i>
Thu, 02 May '24	FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER, <i>Ath- anassius, Bishop & Doctor;</i>	Mass	6:00 pm	<i>R1 - Acts 15: 7-21 G - Jn 15: 9-11</i>
Fri, 03 May '24	SS. PHILIP AND JAMES, Apostles	Mass D/Mercy	12:15 pm 12:45 pm	<i>R1 - 1 Cor 15: 1-8 G - Jn 14: 6-14</i>
Sat, 04 May '24	FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER	Mass <i>(for 6th Sun of Easter)</i>	6:30 pm	<u>Saturday reading</u> <i>R1 - Acts 16: 1-10 G - Jn 15: 18-21</i>
Sun, 05 May '24	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Mass Mass Mass	7:30 am 10:00 am 5:30 pm	<i>R1 - Acts 10: 25-26 R2 - 1 Jn 4: 7-10 G - Jn 15: 9-17</i>



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28th April 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FIRST READING

Acts 9: 26-31

This passage tells of Saul's acceptance by the early Jerusalem community of Christians after his conversion. It also gives us a taste of the internal problems that were beginning to beset the infant Church. Fearful protectionism would eventually lead to factions - especially between Jewish and Gentile Christians - and create serious problems for Paul later. However these rumblings do not yet seriously threaten the inner spirit of unity and the growth in faith of the Jerusalem community.

SECOND READING

1 John 3: 18-24

This letter, likely written by the author of John's gospel, was written to encourage the Christian Churches in Asia where controversies and disputes were threatening to destroy their communities. Love after the example of Jesus is the force that binds us together, but it is a love that manifests itself in actions. Words alone will not ensure the survival of any community. For the Christian community to prosper and bear fruit its love must be made concrete by mutual acts of kindness and respect.

GOSPEL

John 15: 1-8

Jesus continues his farewell speech to his disciples. The imagery is meant to convey the importance of remaining in communion with Christ but also to emphasize the role the disciple are to play in the world. Discipleship is a fruit meant not for decoration but for food. The world awaits and need such food. Jesus tries to instill in the disciples an appreciation of how dependent they are upon him but also of his dependency upon them to continue what he began. True followers of Jesus are attached to him just as branches to the vine.

Blessed Are Those Who Turn OFF Mobile Phones in Church ~~ They Have Answered The Right Call!!!!!!

<u>Month</u>	<u>2022 (\$)</u>	<u>2023 (\$)</u>	<u>Variance (\$)</u>
March	16,959.07	24,704.50	7,745.43
April	35,081.37	40,600.45	5,519.08
May	29,787.06	24,956.15	(4,830.91)
June	23,512.59	23,602.83	90.24
July	25,464.61	27,521.00	2,056.39
August	24,835.04	25,422.35	587.31
September	22,649.59	28,850.60	6,201.01
October	27,321.00	29,536.00	2,215
November	29,571.46	24,811.64	(4,759.82)
December	31,935.91	38,863.30	6,927.39
<u>Month</u>	<u>2023 (\$)</u>	<u>2024 (\$)</u>	<u>Variance (\$)</u>
January	28,655	23,320.17	(5,334.83)
February	26,813.10	29,784.12	2,971.02
March	24,704.50	43,208.48	18,503.98

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Last week's collections are as follows:
Friday Mass: \$392.00
W/end collections: \$4,635.00
TOTAL RECEIVED: \$5,027.00

Thank you for your unflinching generosity.

DONATIONS

Please be informed that we would very much appreciate that ALL donations be made online as per below:
Vicar Apostolic of Kuching BSB Baiduri Bank Brunei 02-00-110-426070
 Description: **Offering / Donation to Church or others** (please specify).
 Screenshot transfer details and Whatsapp to +673 2222261.

and the online baptism seminar will take place on **Wednesday, 24th April** at **7:00 p.m.**

MALE/FEMALE TOILETS

The renovation works to the female and male toilets are almost completed, but can be used. Final touches will be done by next week.

Please take care of all the newly replaced items and maintain cleanliness at all times.

Thank you all for your patience and understanding during the renovations.

NEW RCIA 2024/2025

New Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) will start as stated below:

Bahasa classes will begin on **Friday,**

10th May starting at **8:00 p.m.** at the **Porta-Cabin** behind the church. (ctc: 8656737)

Chinese classes: Tentatively **7th June**, at the **Library, Parish Hall** (ctc: 8636888)

English session will begin on **Friday, 25th May 2024**, starting at **7:30 p.m.** in **Room1, Parish Hall.** (ctc: 8719921)

This is a pre-requisite journey for Adults who desire to **Know, Follow and Become a member of the Catholic Church.** The duration is one year, with only 1 Lesson per week.

If you know of anyone, maybe your relatives or close friends, your spouse, who want to know about the Catholic faith, please bring them to the class, on the dates mentioned above.

VICARIATE FRIENDSHIP DAY

This year, the **Vicariate Friendship Day** will be held on **Sunday, 26th May** at **COOL, Seria.** Children ages 8 - 12 years old are requested to fill-in the registration form available at the Catechetical office with a fee of **BND12.00.** **Deadline** for registration is **12th May 2024.** late registration will not be accepted. Please take note.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is on **Thursday, 9th May** with the Mass starting at **6:30 p.m.** Please take note that this is a **Holy Day of Obligation.**

9-DAY NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

The **9-Day Novena to the Holy Spirit** will start on **Friday, 10th May** to **Saturday, 18th May.** The Novena will begin immediately after the daily and weekend Masses.

WEEKEND MASS HYMNS

- Entrance Hymn: - #621
- Kyrie: - #1
- Gloria: - #2
- Responsorial Psalm - *notes*
Ps 22: I will praise you, Lord.
- Gospel Acclamation - #274 (v7)
- Profession of Faith - **recited**
- Offertory - *notes*
- Holy, Holy, Holy - #5
- Memorial Accla. - #7
When We Eat This Bread And Drink This Cup, We Proclaim Your Death, O Lord, Until You Come Again.
- Amen - #9
- The Lord's Prayer - #163
- Lamb of God - #10
- Communion Hymns - #818
notes
- Recessional Hymn - #443

Parishioners Are Reminded To Move Your Vehicle Immediately After The Mass If You Are