

BECCOT e-Newsletter

A SHEPHERD OF OUR TIME

On May 8, 2025, Christendom witnessed a historic milestone with the election of Pope Leo XIV.

Born Robert Francis Prevost, he is the first pontiff in the Church's 2,000-year history to hail from the United States.

Chosen after four ballots on the second day of the conclave, his election signals a moment of both continuity and renewal, especially for communities like ours that are deeply rooted in grassroots faith and the mission of Gospel outreach.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR BEC'S

- A relatable shepherd with grassroots pastoral experience, from his missionary years in Peru to leading diocesan life in the USA.
- An emphasis on missionary heart, urging BECs to live the Gospel in daily life through presence, service, and solidarity.
- A natural bridge-builder: both culturally American and deeply rooted in global Church experience, he can inspire unity across generations and backgrounds.

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A GALL TO GRASSROOT RENEWAL IN THE BEGS





OPENING HEARTS AND DOORS

Rekindle the spirit of welcome by reaching out to neighbours, lapsed members, and anyone searching for a sense of belonging. Let every home become a place of encounter and grace.

FOSTERING UNITY AMIDST DIVERSITY

Embrace the richness of different ages, cultures, and life experiences within the BEC. Create space for dialogue, healing, and shared reflection that builds stronger bonds.





PRAYING WITH INTENTION

Make communal prayer intentional—offering it not only for personal needs, but for the parish, nation, and the global Church.

GROW TOGETHER IN FAITH

Encourage ongoing formation by reflecting on Scripture, Church teachings, and current events in light of faith.





STRENGTHENING SERVICE ROOTS

Return to the heart of Christian witness—serving those in need.



GREETINGS REV. FR. THOMAS KOO, CDD PARISH PRIEST

My dear parishioners of SIC,

As we move forward in the spirit of community and faith, I would like to take a moment to extend my heartfelt thanks to all BEC leaders and ministry members who actively promoted and participated in the various activities held at our parish in May and June.

Your commitment and joyful involvement in the Family month celebrations of talks, outdoor family bonding events, Rosary for the sanctification of families and our small yet meaningful FamFest celebration, truly brought life to our parish community.

This dedication continued with our month-long parish celebration in June in particular the Petaling District Pastoral Programme 2025, Novena to the Holy Spirit & Pentecost celebration, Pentecost Seminar, Exhibition of Hope, and Corpus Christi.

Looking ahead, let us continue building a vibrant and spirit-filled BEC movement.

Every first Wednesday of the month, leaders gather for the BECCOT meeting, where we reflect together using the reflection paper prepared for us. This is a vital time to ground ourselves spiritually and align our mission.

Following that, I encourage each BEC core team to meet during the second week of the month to discuss practical and creative ways on "How to Run BEC Lively."

Let us reimagine and refresh our gatherings so they remain meaningful, welcoming, and Christ-centered.

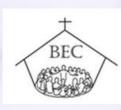
Subsequently, the third week is BEC gathering week. I encourage all leaders of ministries and all parishioners to participate in your own BEC, to build our basic communities in BEC and to walk our faith in BEC.

I warmly invite all parishioners to be part of a BEC if you are not yet involved. The BEC is not just a structure — it is a family of faith where we grow together, support one another, and live out our Christian calling more deeply. Come and experience the joy of community.

Last but not least, I sincerely hope to see all of you joining in for our Feast Day triduum celebration from the 28th to 30th of July culminating with our Feast Day Mass on the 31st of July. The theme is "Called by the Holy Spirit to become a Missionary Church"

Let us walk this journey together in faith, hope, and love.





BASIC

ECCLESIAL COMMUNITIES

IN ACTION

BEC SS25 ST EMMANUEL



April prayer gathering



May prayer gathering with 4 new members – Allan, Myrene, Allona, Allena & Felipe.

Our deaf members joining in the closing hymn through sign language.







Fellowship after June prayer gathering



Final online session of Part 1 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church study on the Profession of Faith.

Joined by Fr Michel de Gigord MEP, and a few guests on 30 June

BEC TROPICANA MOTHER THERESA

Core team meeting in May



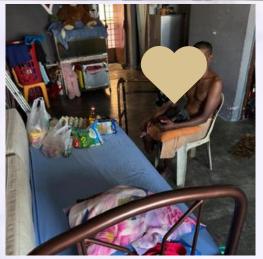




Rosary prayer gathering in May







Outreach initiative & serving the homeless





BEC SS24 ST MATTHEW & ST LUKE

April prayer gathering



Rosary and prayer gathering in May













BEC SS4D ST MICHAEL





April & May prayer gathering

Celebrating Jean & Alphonso's 40th wedding anniversary



BEC coffee morning







Donations collected for the least fortunate during Lent



BEC supports FamFest by selling pies

BEC AD ST FAUSTINA









May BEC gatherings and Easter celebrations.



June BEC gathering

BEC AD ST FAUSTINA





In conjunction with the Jubilee year, 20 BEC members visited the Church of St Francis of Assisi, Cheras recently. We started the visit with a mass at 8:00am that was celebrated by Fr. Paul Cheong. Then, we were ushered by their lovely team to register at the carpark where each of us was given a goodie bag that contained a pilgrim passport and brochures of the Church's programs.

We proceeded to join the other group and began with the **Way of the Cross** around the church. They have life-size statues depicting each station and the faithful can experience walking in the footsteps of Christ during His Passion. We took turns to carry the cross and saying the prayers. Once we finished, breakfast was served.





Next was the a tour of the rich tapestry of **stained glass windows** depicting the life of St. Francis of Assisi. These vibrant panels narrate the transformation of Francis from a wealthy youth to a humble servant of God, emphasizing themes of compassion and simplicity.

BEC AD ST FAUSTINA



The Parish of St Francis of Assisi has been blessed with **six first class relics** -- St Francis of Assisi (2 relics), St Pio, St John Paul II, St Teresa of Kolkata and Blessed Angelo.

Two of these relics have been placed in the altars, one at the Chapel of Portiuncula and the other at the altar in the church. These relics offer pilgrims an opportunity for deep veneration and connection; inspiring reflection and prayer.

The visit offered pilgrims a spiritual experience that intertwines with history and art including learning more about its patron saint.



BEC LILY OF THE VALLEY



BEC outreach - Feeding the homeless



BEC SS5 ST ANNE

April prayer gathering



BEC DU HOLY FAMILY







Sacred Heart prayer gathering for April & May

Thanksgiving rosary for all the newly baptised in our BEC









Rosary & prayer gathering for the month of May



Coming together to pray for a BEC member who is battling cancer

BEC DU HOLY FAMILY

MY JOURNEY TO CATHOLICISM



Introduction

My full name is Savinderjeet Singh. Yes, that's right, I am a Punjabi. I was born into a Sikh family but only got religious later in my life.

Becoming a Christian

I accepted Jesus Christ in July 2001. My wife and children, miraculously accepted Christ in 2013.

Journey into Catholicism

The Pandemic prevented us from attending church which brought about a feeling of loss. Encouraged by a Catholic colleague, my family decided to attend mass in St Ignatius Church on June 17, 2023.

RCIA

On one particular Sunday, I noticed an RCIA banner at SIC. Little did I know that this would change my life and opened so many doors. I joined the 2023-2024 RCIA session. My wife decided to defer a year and she joined the 2024-2025 RCIA session.

On 29th March 2024, I was baptised as Joseph Savin. It was truly a heavenly experience. Jesus was truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. I had my first Holy Communion as a Catholic. I was very emotional.

During my RCIA, I met so many wonderful people. The facilitators were just fantastic. Many thanks to the entire RCIA team for a wonderful journey. The Holy Family BEC invited me & my wife with opened arms.

Conclusion

My wife, Maria Manjeet, who was baptised this year, and myself are now at peace knowing that we belong to the One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church founded by Jesus Christ, Our Lord.

BEC SS5 ST PIO







April & May prayer gathering





June prayer gathering





BEC SS7 ST MARK







April prayer gathering

BEC SS2 ST AUGUSTINE











Rosary and prayer gathering in May

BEC SS2 ST FAUSTINA





April prayer gathering









Rosary prayer gathering in May & June

BEC SS20 HOLY INFANT JESUS

Our BEC's 1st Jubilee pilgrimage was organised on 1st April to the Church of St Francis of Assisi in Cheras. Eleven BEC members experienced a meaningful Way of Cross during Lent, veneration of 8 first class relics and Mass celebrated by Rev Father Paul Cheong, OFM.









Our BEC outreach for Lent was to Rumah Grace on 10th April where we donated medical supplies, personal and household items and cash. We organised a lunch fellowship with the 40 residents and staff followed by a beautiful Praise and Worship session



BEC SS20 HOLY INFANT JESUS

The Marian month began with Rosary every Wednesday and Friday in our BEC neighbourhood, with good participation!





Our BEC's May prayer gathering and Easter potluck was organised to welcome two newly baptized members – Steven & Jonathan – to our BEC family.







BEC TROPICANA ST JOSEPH



April prayer gathering



May rosary & prayer gathering



May – home visits

June prayer gathering and home visit







BEC SS5 ST JOACHIM

April & June prayer gatherings





BEC SS7 ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI









BEC members in action during Sunday coffee morning on 8th June 2025



Good participation from BEC members at the SIC Family Fun Day @ FRIM.

After the fun event and as it was a hot day, we enjoyed

refreshing ice kacang at a stall near FRIM.







BEC monthly gathering for the month of April.



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B.E.C. COORDINATING TEAM IN ACTION



FAMILY AS A COMMUNITY OF LOVE -FAMILY FUNDAY @ FRIM

On May 17th @ 8.00am, 215 enthusiastic individuals gathered at the Sg Kroh Picnic Area within the Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM) in Kuala Lumpur, eagerly anticipating the excitement that lay ahead.



FRIM, featuring a man-made tropical rainforest, a winding stream (the River Kroh), waterfalls, arboreta, and botanical gardens, served as an ideal setting for families to strengthen connections, close gaps, and cultivate mutual respect.



The morning began with a heartfelt prayer led by our Parish Priest, Fr. Thomas Koo, CDD, expressing gratitude to our Almighty Father for the many blessings we have received.







This was followed by an energetic and enjoyable jazzercise session led by Janet of FLM Parents' Craft Group. It was heartwarming to witness participation from children to seniors, enjoying the exercise together.





Once everyone was warmed up, we embarked on a delightful 3.0 km walk to appreciate the beauty of nature and breathe in the refreshing, crisp air enveloping us.

Couples with young children, grandfathers and grandmothers accompanied by their grandchildren, lively youths, as well as adults and singles, all relished the experience of the nature walk.













Following breakfast, the atmosphere buzzed with excitement as participants dove into a variety of thrilling games organized by BECCOT. Children, adults, and seniors alike joined in, creating an abundance of joy. The park was filled with laughter and cherished moments as families engaged and enjoyed themselves.



















A big shout-out to our SIC Youth who demonstrated impressive emceeing skills, energizing the crowd and enhancing the events. Their proactive approach in kickstarting the games and ensuring everything was tidy before our departure was truly commendable!

Then it was time for a scrumptious lunch and to rest at the gazebos. Some families brought along picnic mats and laid them under the shady trees

to rest on.









Before we called it a day, Fr Thomas gave away prizes to the winners and we had a group photo taken before we left at 2.00pm.



The event was truly special and unforgettable! It had indeed been an incredibly amazing day inspite of the heat; where the church gathered as one, celebrating the unity within the family.

This Family Day was a testament to the parish's enduring spirit, where faith, love, and a shared sense of community continue to thrive.

The success of the event was possible through the collaboration from BECCOT, SIC Youth, Bethany Centre, Formation Team, Sunday School Ministry, and the Family Life Ministry for both English and Mandarin-speaking groups.





PRICELESS GIFT OF MERCY & GRACE

A Jubilee year allows the faithful, 'pilgrims of hope', indulgence 'to discover how limitless God's mercy is' through:

Pilgrimages:

 The Jubilee Year encourages pilgrimages to major basilicas in Rome, the Holy Land and Jubilee pilgrimage churches within Malaysia. (https://gcatholic.org/churches/list/jubilee2025/Malaysia)

Prayer and Reflection:

• Special masses, prayer gatherings, and retreats will be held to deepen one's connection with God.

Community Building:

• Events are designed to foster unity and solidarity within the community, both locally and globally.

Works of Mercy:

• Engaging in acts of charity, such as donating to the poor, supporting religious or social works, or volunteering in service to the community.

Renewal and Faith:

 Opportunity for conversion, spiritual renewal and deepening one's faith with Christ.

Acts of Penance:

• Participating in spiritual exercises, missions, or formation activities on Vatican II documents and the Catechism.

Spiritual Practices:

 For those who cannot physically travel, they can obtain the indulgence by uniting themselves spiritually with those who are on pilgrimage, reciting the Our Father, Creed, and other prayers, while offering their suffering.

BASIC ECCLESIAL COMMUNITY (BEC) AS A LIVING EXPRESSION OF SYNODALITY

By Rita Krishnan

STEPPING INTO THE SANDALS OF JESUS

The BEC Reflection paper for the month of June clearly pointed to the need for spirituality among leaders when church quadrant **'Church** on **Unbelievers'** observed the of task-oriented threats leadership that focuses performance and results. We not allow the secular must practices replace our church work but continue to glorify the Lord in our services.



The ecclesial community needs a synodal leader that dialogues with respect, listens without domination and adopts an attitude for service for journeying together in building relationships.



It is important to discern the signs of times and embrace new missions equipped with spiritual knowledge and doctrinal understanding to model our lives after Jesus, staying committed to his teachings.

This is important because as leaders we encounter one another, rather than correcting each other, making decisions based on biblical principles and established doctrines where we are responsible for setting the spiritual direction of the church.

Conversations in the Spirit is a promising method that turns opinions and points of views into agreements from disagreements. It is lead with spiritual self-reflection to identify 'reasons' and to recognise 'weightier reasons' by praying, pondering and meditating for a spiritual experience.

As leaders we are encouraged to be open to the surprises of the Holy Spirit and to the Spirit's newness.

Finally, let us reflect on Pope Leo XIV, the first pope of the Order of Saint Augustine known as Augustinians with roots tracing back to St. Augustine of Hippo

They are a mendicant (homeless) order dedicated to poverty and service (relying on donations for sustenance), focusing on contemplative spirituality and communal living.

They hold on to the core value of living in harmony and unity, being of one mind and heart on the way to God.



Pope Leo XIV & Augustinian Spirituality

As leaders, we will soon be emulating the footsteps of Pope Leo XIV progressing from the humble teachings of Pope Francis. God Bless!

MANDARIN SPEAKING GROUP

Taman Megah BEC 圣德兰基信团 家庭聚会

2025年5月28日,点举行了本月的家庭聚会。此次聚会意义非凡,特别邀请到本堂神恩复兴团队带领我们进入一段充满恩典的歌唱赞美与祈祷时光。

聚会共有约二十多位教友出席。我们感谢 Beccot 主席李任 芳(Thomas)弟兄的亲临与鼓励,并热烈欢迎首次参与的三位新朋友: Angie、Lily 和 Mrs Lim 三位姐妹,她们的到来为聚会增添了温馨与喜乐。

聚会以 potluck 晚餐开始,大家分享各自准备的美食,在轻松欢快的氛围中增进了彼此的情谊。

适逢圣母月,我们齐心诵念玫瑰经,祈求圣母转祷。祈祷的意向包括教宗良十四世、本堂神父、年轻家庭以及年长或体弱教友的身心灵健康。

最感人心的时刻,是神恩复兴团队带领的歌唱赞美与祈祷 环节。透过动人的诗歌和覆手祈祷,许多教友深受感动, 感受到圣神的临在与安慰。

聚会在温馨感恩的氛围中圆满结束。对一些人来说,这是一次全新的属灵体验;对另一些人而言,则是一段满载恩宠的灵修旅程。大家都期待下一次与主更深相遇的时刻

















Taman Megah BEC 圣德兰基信团 家庭月嘉年华会感言

2025年5月31日,对SIC的教友来说,是一个特别温馨又充满欢笑的一天。

那天我们在SIC刚恒毅活动中心顶楼举行了庆祝家庭月的嘉年华会,活动从早上9点一直热闹到下午2点,现场非常热闹,空气中都是食物的香味和教友们的谈笑声,处处都是温暖的画面。

我们负责其中一个美食摊位,主要卖粽子和"鱼卖"——一种特制鱼丸。刚好那天也是端午节,粽子特别受欢迎,不少人闻香而来。而让我们特别开心的是,很多人第一次吃到"鱼卖",都说口感很好,还特地回来再买一些带回家。没想到,到了中午,两项食物都卖完了。看着已卖空的食物盆和堆积的食物固本,我们心里其实既兴奋又感动。

我们筹备的过程中虽然感觉有点累,但看到大家吃得开心、笑得开心,觉得一切都非常值得。因为这不只是一场活动,更是一场让大家聚在一起、彼此交流、共享温情的机会,这正是本堂举办家庭月嘉年华会的意义。我们能在嘉年华会中提供美食给主内的家人享用,真是与有荣焉!







USJ South BEC 圣伯多禄基信团

四旬期愛德運動-保護生態

四旬期,是基督徒悔改、祈祷、克己与施爱的重要时期。在这段40天的属灵旅程中,我们被召唤走出自我,关怀他人与环境。今年,我们以一种特别的方式回应了这份召唤——在爬山的同时,展开了一场"爱德+环保"行动:边爬山,边捡垃圾。

沿途,我们不仅锻炼了身体,也收获了意想不到的温暖—— 许多山友见到我们,都会亲切地打招呼,并向我们道谢。这 些简单的言语和微笑,成为我们继续前行的动力。

这次的爬山体验,不仅仅是一次运动,更是一种爱的表达 ——对大地的爱,对大自然的尊重与感恩。

四旬期提醒我们悔改,而我们污染环境的行为,其实也需要悔改与修正。

愿我们都能从身边的小事做起,不乱丢垃圾,保护我们共同的家园。在享受大自然的同时,也为下一代守护这份美丽与宁静。

希望未来有更多的弟兄姐妹参与类似的活动,让信仰不只停留在言语或思考中,而能在日常的生活中活现——哪怕是一段山路、一朵野花,也能成为献给上主的馨香之祭。

愿这个四旬期,我们爱得更深,走得更远。







BAHASA MALAYSIA SPEAKING GROUP

MISA BAHASA APR, MEI DAN JUN 2025



Misa Bahasa disambut setiap bulan pada hari Ahad pertama. Seperti biasa, selepas Misa, fellowship dan sambutan hari jadi pada yang menyambut pada bulan tersebut. Semua umat SIC dijemput untuk menyertai Misa Bahasa. All are welcome! Ramai-ramai kita.



MINGGU SUCI 2025 (KHAMIS PUTIH, JUMAAT AGUNG, PRAPASKAH DAN HARI PASKAH)



RCIA KUBM

Seramai 6 orang menerima Pembaptisan, Penguatan dan Komuni Pertama pada Paskah tahun ini.

Semoga mereka terus kuat dan teguh berjalan bersama Yesus dalam perjalanan selanjutnya.



KUBM FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES



Booth KUBM yang menjual kemeja T. Sebahagian daripada usaha fundraising bagi menampung aktiviti tahunan dan dalam masa yang sama, usaha untuk memperkenalkan kewujudan KUBM bagi umat yang belum mengetahui terutama sekali mereka yang berasal dari Sabah, Sarawak dan Indonesia yang masih mencari komuniti lokal.



Coffee Morning Mei 2025



Aktiviti wajib bagi setiap ahli komuniti, Coffee Morning. Selain daripada untuk tujuan fundraising, juga adalah untuk menyediakan sarapan kepada pelajar sekolah minggu dan umat. Thrift Shop menjual barangan pre-loved.

BULAN ROSARI MEI 2025



Doa Rosari yang dijalankan secara atas talian sepanjang bulan Mei 2025

FAMFEST-SIC FAMILY MONTH MEI 2025



KUBM juga tidak terkecuali dari menyertai Family Day SIC.

BROTHER INDRA'S FAREWELL





Terima kasih, Brother Indra!

Semoga terus setia dan melayani dalam nama Tuhan Yesus Kristus.

Jumpa lagi di masa hadapan

TAMIL SPEAKING GROUP

The Tamil speaking group of St Ignatius Church started the Marian month of May with BEC Rosaries among their community. Mother's Day was also celebrated joyously to appreciate all the mothers in the BEC





The SIC Tamil BEC has been a staunch supporter of all St Ignatius Church Parish level events – Family Fun Day in FRIM & SIC FamFest.









The SIC Tamil BEC managed 2 booths in conjunction with the Petaling District Pastoral Programme 2025 held at St Ignatius Church in June.

The Exhibition of Hope was themed 'A Journey of Hope through the Sacraments", and the SIC Tamil BEC managed the Sacrament of Confirmation and Holy Orders booth respectively.





The feast of Corpus Christi was another feather in their cap, with the community supporting in the Rosary, Tamil hymns, Altar Servers, EMOHC and Hospitality ministry.

The Tamil speaking group participated in the Bearers of Hope, - Basket of Blessings project; bringing hope and the presence of Christ to their community in Kampung Sg Kayu Ara through the distribution of essential items to the needy and journeying together as a community of God.



POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTIONS 2025



JULY

Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

For formation in discernment

AUG

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

For mutual coexistence

SEPT

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

For our relationship with all of creation



July

- 11 : Talk on 'Who is the Man of the Shroud', 8pm @ Rooftop by Fr Andrew Dalton LC
- 12 : Ecological Spirituality Formation, 9am 12pm, Room 2.6 by Fr Andrew Manickam, OFM Cap
- 12 : Talk on 'Navigating a Spiritual Dry Spell in the Face of Sickness', 2-4pm @ Rooftop by Fr Larry Tan, SJ
- 27 : 5th World Day of Grandparents & The Elderly Mass & Blessing at 8:45am
- 28 30 : Parish Feast Day Triduum

 Theme : Called by the Holy Spirit to become a
 Missionary Church, Mass @8:00pm each night
- 31 : Parish Feast Day, Bilingual Mass @8:00pm



August

: Lay Leader's Formation (8:00am - 4:30pm), SIC by Fr Mitchel Joseph

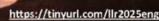
St Ignatius Church Petaling Jaya 八打灵圣依纳爵天主堂

Personal-Public - Spiritual Journey 个人灵修旅程 Building Block - Servant Leadership 仆人式领导

Listen & Discern - Study Case 个案研习

Growing as Servant Leader like Jesus

效法仆人式领袖的典范: 耶稣





Included









https://tinyurl.com/llr2025mandarin

Donation Fees: RM10/pax

Parish Servant Leaderships Formation 堂区团建培育

Date : 2nd August 2025 (Saturday)

Time : 8:00am – 4:30pm

Venue : English Formation - Costantini Community Centre (Roof Top) / 中文培育 - 活动中心 2-6 课室

All leaders of parish ministries and BECs are invited to register

Closing date: 26/7/2025

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