

## SCHEDULE OF LITURGICAL SERVICES

| DAY/<br>DATE        | SAINTS                                                                                                           | LIT.                                | TIME                           | READINGS                                                                                          |
|---------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon, 14<br>Sep. '26 | THE<br>EXALTATION<br>OF THE HOLY<br>CROSS                                                                        | Mass                                | 6:00 pm                        | <i>R1 - Num 21: 4-9</i><br><i>R2 - Phil 2: 6-11</i><br><i>G - Jn 3: 13-17</i>                     |
| Tue, 15<br>Sep. '26 | 24TH WEEK,<br>ORDINARY TIME,<br>Our Lady of<br>Sorrows                                                           | Mass                                | 6:00 pm                        | <i>R1 - Heb 5: 7-9</i><br><i>G - Jn 19: 25-27</i>                                                 |
| Wed, 16<br>Sep. '26 | 24TH WEEK,<br>ORDINARY TIME,<br>Cornelius, Pope &<br>Cyprian, Bishop,<br>Martyrs                                 | Mass                                | 6:00 pm                        | <i>R1 - 1 Cor 12: 31 -<br/>13: 13</i><br><i>G - Lk 7: 31-35</i>                                   |
| Thu, 17<br>Sep. '26 | 24TH WEEK,<br>ORDINARY TIME,<br>Robert Bellamine,<br>Bishop & Doctor;<br>Hildegard of Bingen,<br>Virgin & Doctor | Mass                                | 6:00 pm                        | <i>R1 - 1 Cor 15: 1-11</i><br><i>G - Lk 7: 36-50</i>                                              |
| Fri, 18<br>Sep. '26 | 24TH WEEK,<br>ORDINARY TIME                                                                                      | Mass<br>DM                          | 12:15pm<br>12:45pm             | <i>R1 - 1 Cor 15: 12-20</i><br><i>G - Lk 8: 1-3</i>                                               |
| Sat, 19<br>Sep. '26 | 24TH WEEK,<br>ORDINARY TIME,<br>Januarius, Bishop &<br>Martyr                                                    | Mass                                | 6:30 pm                        | <u><b>Saturday Reading</b></u><br><i>R1 - 1 Cor 15: 35-37,<br/>42-49</i><br><i>G - Lk 8: 4-15</i> |
| Sun, 20<br>Sep. '26 | TWENTY-<br>FIFTH<br>SUNDAY,<br>ORDINARY<br>TIME                                                                  | Eng. Mass<br>Eng. Mass<br>Eng. Mass | 7:30 am<br>10:00 am<br>5:30 pm | <i>R1 - Is 55: 6-9</i><br><i>R2 - Phil 1: 20-24, 27</i><br><i>G - Mt 20: 1-16</i>                 |



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### TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY, ORDINARY TIME - A

#### **FIRST READING** *Ecclesiasticus (Sirach) 27: 30 - 28: 7*

The book of Sirach or Ecclesiasticus was written about two centuries before the time of Jesus by a learned rabbi in Jerusalem named Jesus ben Eleazar ben Sirach. This passage expresses the summit of Jewish thinking about the obligation and reason for mutual pardon. The law of retribution still underlies much of Sirach's teaching. We should abstain from vengeance because we gear God's vengeance. We should pardon others because we hope that God will pardon us.

#### **SECOND READING** *Romans 14: 7-9*

Paul had to face a situation in which diversity of practice characterized the Christian community. Unless they attack the essentials of faith or stand in the way of the spread of the Gospel, these differences would not only be tolerated but encouraged among those who share the same faith. Rather than be a source of conflict and dissension, these differences should be a source of enrichment and strengthening.

#### **GOSPEL** *Matthew 18: 21-35*

Leading into the parable about the king and his officials Jesus proclaims that the number of times to forgive is not even a worthy question for his followers to ask. They are to forgive as they have been forgiven. Pardon is not a matter of moral obligation that can be classified, graded, enumerated, and analysed. It is rather the necessary result of realizing one's own sinfulness, and the immensity of God's forgiveness. God's kingdom is totally his gift, and only those who recognize the giftedness of his pardon and mercy, and seek to imitate it and share in it, can be participants.

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

| <u>MONTH</u> | <u>2025 (\$)</u> | <u>2026 (\$)</u> | <u>VARIANCE (\$)</u> |
|--------------|------------------|------------------|----------------------|
| January      | 25,112.00        | 26,264.55        | 1,152.55             |
| February     | 24,493.00        | 27,502.60        | 3,009.60             |
| March        | 36,663.00        | 31,531.00        | (5,132.00)           |
| April        | 37,669.00        | 33,278.00        | (4,391.00)           |
| May          | 24,797.00        | 30,887.00        | 6,090.00             |
| June         | 30,326.00        | 27,983.00        | (2,343.00)           |
| July         | 25,439.50        | 28,715.30        | 3,275.80             |
| August       | <b>32,290.00</b> | <b>29,620.00</b> | <b>(2,670.00)</b>    |
| September    | 25,416.00        |                  |                      |
| October      | 23,312.00        |                  |                      |
| November     | 35,203.70        |                  |                      |
| December     | 49,290.20        |                  |                      |

### **LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS**

Last week's collections are as follows:

**Friday Noon Mass: \$266.00**  
**1st collection: \$5,533.00**  
**2nd collection: \$2,641.00**  
**TOTAL RECEIVED: \$8,440.00**

Thank you for your unfailing generosity.

### **DONATIONS**

If you want to donate, please do as follows: Cheque to be made payable to: **Vicar Apostolic of Kuching (BSB) OR** you may bank in directly to our **Baiduri Bank Account No.: 0200110426070.**

Please call or Whatsapp us at **+6732222261** once you have made your deposit and send us a picture of the deposit.. Please indicate what you are donating for or making payment for.

### **INFANT BAPTISM**

The next Infant Baptism will take place on **Friday, 25th September at 9:00 a.m.** And the on-line baptism seminar will be held on **Wednesday, 23rd September** starting at **7:00 p.m.**

### **RCIA 2026/2027**

New classes for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults 2026/2027 will start on the dates mentioned below:

**\*Bahasa - started** (contact: Raymond, 8656737; Sharon - 7287088)  
**\*Chinese - started** (contact: Luke - 8754511)  
**\*English - started** (contact: Angela - 8719921; Shenton - 8630795)

If you know of anyone who wants to know more about the Catholic faith, please bring them to one of the above language classes.

### **VICARIATE FRIENDSHIP**

#### **DAY 2026**

SJC, St. John's Church is very excited to invite all Grade 3-6 Sunday School children to the above-mentioned yearly event on **Sunday, 27th September 2026**, from **8am to 4pm** at **St. John's School Multi-purpose Hall, KB** and hosted by **St. John Parish, KB.**

Registration Form: online - <https://forms.gle/KRJ6kGMo5sVjdFXR7>

There is a **BND25** fee per child, which includes Lunch and a T-shirt.

**Grade 3: FHC class**

**Grade 4: post comm 1 class**

**Grade 5: post comm 2 class**

**Grade 6: post comm 3 class**

### **INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR 2026**

**The International Food Fair (IFF)** is a yearly event and will take place on **Sunday, 4th October 2026** in **COLA** parish compound, starting from **7:30am to 1:30pm.** Food coupons to purchase food on that day is now available at **BS10.00** per booklet of 10 coupons from the various groups in COLA. Please be informed that there will be **NO** cash sales. There will be lots of food available, and also lots of **lucky draws**. Please come and support this event as **all proceeds will go towards the Vocation / Seminarian Fund.** Your usual support will be much appreciated. **\*Please note that on the day of the IFF, other vendors are not allowed to sell unless approved by the committee concerned. Only participating vendors can sell.**

### **2026 MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (MPC)**

**MPC-4: 28th & 29th Oct.**

Above is the schedule for the MPC for **2026**. Please note that the MPC is one of the pre-requisites for a Catholic Marriage. If you are intending to get married sometime soon, please make an appointment with the Parish Priest to register for the above-mentioned course and also to give the date of your intending marriage.

### **WEEKEND MASS HYMNS**

Entrance Hymn: - #713  
 Kyrie: - #1  
 Gloria: - #2  
 Responsorial Psalm - #84  
*Ps103: The Lord is kind and merciful*  
 Gospel Acclamation - #3 (v2)  
 NICENE CREED: - recited  
 Offertory: - notes  
 Holy, Holy, Holy - #5  
 Memorial Acclaim. - #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 - notes  
 - #556  
 Recessional Hymn - #708

**Parishioners Are Reminded To Move Your Vehicle Immediately After The Mass If You Are Blocking Other Cars.**