



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Redemptorist Community

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, 29 March, 2019-

7.15 pm Stations of the Cross (T) in the parish hall.

7.30 pm Stations of the Cross (E) in the OMPH church followed by Mass (E).

RITE OF THE 2ND SCRUTINY – (4th week of Lent) – On Sunday, 31 March, 2019 during the 8.00 a.m. Mass, our "Elect" who are continuing on the purification process, will celebrate the Rite of the Second Scrutiny focusing on purifying their spiritual blindness.

PRAYER SERVICE – Sun. 31/3/2019

The MCCBHST Perak branch is organizing a prayer service for the victims of the massacred in Christchurch New Zealand at Church of Our Lady of Lourdes hall from 3 pm to 4.30pm. Come and pray for victims of hate crime.

OMPH Sunday Fun-day 2019

The OMPH Catechetical ministry is organizing a Sunday Fun-day for all Sunday School Students on **Sunday, 31 March, 2019 from 9.30 am till 12 noon.** Various fun activities are planned and we urge parents & others to join and help us to make it a fun-filled day. A fun activity is also planned for parents and as such parents are welcome to participate to make the day merry.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

In preparation for Easter, penitential service will be held in –

+ OMPH church

on **Tues. 2 April, 2019 at 8pm**

+ Church of St.Michael, Ipoh

on Wed.3April,2019.

+ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Silibin

on Thurs 4 April,2019.

(RCIA) RECOLLECTION DAY –

The Elect will gather together on

Saturday, 6 April,2019 at 9.00 a.m.

with their Facilitators and their

Sponsors for a day's Retreat, preparing

themselves for the reception into the

Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil on 20/4/2019.

Let us pray with them.

RITE OF THE 3RD SCRUTINY (5th week of Lent) – On **Sunday, 7 April, 2019**

during the 8.00 a.m. Mass, our Elect

who are preparing their full initiation at

Easter, will celebrate the "Rite of the 3rd

Scrutiny," which highlights the saving power of Christ in setting them free.

We are invited to come together with

them, to pray with them and for them

reminding ourselves of our need to rid

ourselves of our negative values

and to try to live in His love.

(Food for thought)

Gospel: John 4: 5-42

"Never Thirst again"

We continue to travel through the season of Lent on our way to celebrate the Easter Vigil. It is a road that we have traveled together within the parish community and again as witnesses to catechumens they prepare to become fully initiated members of the Church at the Easter Vigil.

Jesus never did what folks expected. People called him "rabbi" but He didn't teach with theological treatises - He told strange stories - He never allowed the Law, or tradition, or the "proper thing to do" to take precedence over ministering to His people.

Witness the scene with the Samaritan woman. By all standards, she had no right to even speak with The Lord. After all, she was part of the outcast group, and a woman, no less! But that didn't stop Jesus from striking up a conversation with her. The disciples were aghast, and no doubt His enemies had more fuel for the fire.

The Samaritans were not evil people. They bore no arms against the people of Galilee, they didn't try to politically undermine society or government; they were not thieves or criminals - they were ordinary people trying to eke out a living just as everyone else. They even worshipped the same God - but they expressed that faith a little differently.

On our Lenten Journey, we try to reach out and freely embrace the Cross. In small ways, we test our willingness to die, to obey, to give up something precious, to pay the price of discipleship. But we can only do this if we have first experienced the desert. Through our faith, we have a foretaste of the glory of Risen Lord, and we must know that it is that same glory that is waiting for us. Then we can embrace the Life He has promised us - knowing that God is near, God understands our pain, God will sustain us and carry us through, beyond our Gethsemane, beyond our Calvary, to the triumph of our Easter – **never to thirst again.**

MARRIAGE: Please contact the Parish Priest at least SIX MONTHS in advance.

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:

(March /April 2019)

- * 24/3/2019 - 10.00 am - RCIA (BM) (St. Monica Rm.)
- 10.00 am - BM Apostolate (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 11.30 am - RCIA (T) (St. Matthew Rm.)
- 3.00 pm - RCIA (E) (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 5.00 pm - OMPH choir practice (church)
- * 25/3/2019 - 7.00 pm - CCR
- * 26/3/2019 - 8.15pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew's Rm.)
- * 28/3/2019 - 8.00 pm - Tamil choir (St.Paul's Rm)
- 8.00 pm - Area Coordinators (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 29/3/2019 - 8.30 pm - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm)
- * 30/3/2019 - 6.45pm - CLOW (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 31/3/2019 - 8.00am - CLOW (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 10.00 am - RCIA (BM) (St. Monica Rm.)
- 11.30 am - RCIA (T) (St. Matthew Rm.)
- 3.00 pm - RCIA (E) (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 5.00 pm - OMPH choir practice (church)
- * 1/4/2019 - 7.00 pm - CCR
- * 2/4/2019 - 8.15pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew's Rm.)
- * 4/4/2019 - 8.00 pm - Tamil choir (St.Paul's Rm)
- * 5/4/2019 - 8.30 pm - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm)
- * 6/4/2019 - 9.00 am - Elects Day of Recollection (St.Mark's Rm./v.Francis Xavier)
- * 8/4/2019 - 7.00 pm - CCR
- 8.00 pm - PHDC (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 9/4/2019 - 8.15pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew's Rm.)
- * 11/4/2019 - 8.00 pm - Tamil choir (St.Paul's Rm)
- 8.00 pm - Ipoh Catholic Cemetery (St.Mark's Rm.)

2019 COFFEE MORNINGS

- * 24/3/2019- St.Peregine group.
- * 31/3/2019- Divine Mercy group.
- * 28/4/2019- BEC St.Philip.
- * 12/5/2019- PHDC
- * 2/6/2019 – BEC St.Gerard
- * 16/6/2019 – BEC St.Francis Xavier
- * 7/4/2019 - Sun. Sch. (Form 3)
- * 5/5/2019 - BEC St. Joseph (E)
- * 19/5/2019- Sun. Sch. (Form 4)
- * 9/6/2019 – BEC St.Philip.
- * 30/6/2019 – Eucharistic Ministers.

ETERNAL HAPPINESS TO: + Philomena Wong Yoke Yoong departed on 19 March, 2019.

LENTEN SACCRIFICE

to help the poor as part of our Lenten penance and spiritual growth, we are called to share. Baskets are placed on either side of the sanctuary throughout the season of Lent to appeal for non-perishable food like rice, sugar, cooking oil, sardines, milk power, noodles, tin biscuits, etc.....

OMPH GOT TALENT

Don't bury your talents!
We are looking for young singers, conductors, artists, organists, pianists and volunteers to serve in the various ministries and liturgy.
Help us to enhance parish life.
"I have come to serve" (Mk 10: 45)
Make an appointment with your Parish Priest.

EUPHRASIA – THE MUSICAL

The Good Shepherd Sisters will stage EUPHRASIA-THE MUSICAL on the life of St.Mary Euphrasia their foundress, told in song and dance. It will be held at Auditorium RTM in Ipoh on Fri. 3 May and Sat. 4 May, 2019 at 8.00 pm on both nights. Proceeds will go towards supporting the charitable works of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Malaysia. Tickets are on sale now.
For more information please call 012 508 8818.

NOVENA PRAYERS TO ST.PEREGRINE

EVERY TUESDAY AT 5.45 PM in the Meditation Room. During this Novena Devotion, names of cancer patients will be lifted up. All are invited.
For enquiries, call: 019-5769166/ 012-5833904.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION TIME

All are welcome to join the Christian Meditation group which meets
* **EVERY SATURDAY** AT 11.00 A.M. – 12 NOON in the Meditation room.

OMPH CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL

Come join us in our Praise & Worship
* Every Tuesday at 8.00 pm (T)
* Every Wednesday at 8.00 pm (E).

EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED 2019

Couples planning to get married in the year 2019, please take note of the EE Weekends english during the year. You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

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| EE121 | 12 – 14 July, 2019 |
| EE122 | 18-20 Oct., 2019 |

TAMIL MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND - 2019

Closing date for registration (T): on 1st day of each month.

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| Chapel St.Chastan & Imbert, Prai | | August 24,25,26 |
| Domus St.Anne, Bukit Mertajam | May 23, 24, 25 | November 22, 23, 24 |

Please see your Parish Priest for registration.