

PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP Redemptorist Community

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ANNOUNCEMENTS: PARISH PRIEST AWAY...

During my absence from 23/2 till 3/3 for a meeting in Manila; Fr. Paul Kee will attend to all pastoral needs of the parish.

RITE OF THE 1st SCRUTINY -

(3rd week of Lent – Yr A) -On Sunday, 4 March,2018 during the 8 am Mass, our "Elect" will celebrate the Rite of the First Scrutiny, which is the beginning of the period of purification and enlightenment.

RITE OF THE 2ND SCRUTINY – (4th week of Lent) – On Sunday, 11 March, 2018 during the 8.00 am. Mass, our "Elect" who are continuing on the purification process, will celebrate the Rite of the Second Scrutiny focusing on purifying their spiritual blindness.

COMBINED LITURGICAL COMMITTEE

(inclusive of language groups - Chinese, Bahasa & Tamil) MEETING on

Monday, 5 March, 2018 at 8.00 pm. We invite all Choir Leaders, Lectors, Script-Writers, Hospitality Ministers, Eucharistic Ministers & Altar Servers as we plan for Holy Week, Easter and Feastday Masses.

LENTEN SACRIFICE

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 powder, noodles, tin biscuits, etc...

STATIONS OF THE CROSS -

(date) Friday, 2 March, 2018. (time) **7.45 pm (E)** Stations of the Cross followed by Mass. Stations of the Cross (T) – **7.30pm** in the parish hall.

BLOOD DONATION CAMPAIGN

On **Sunday, 4 March, 2018** from 8 am till 12 noon; with the help of G.H., Ipoh we invite healthy and able bodies and regular blood Donors to help save lives. Lenten Campaign care for others.

GOVERNMENT-FUNDED HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

All SPM/STPM leavers are encourage to attend a talk on

Sunday, 4 March, 2018 from 10.30am to 11.45 am in the OMPH Auditorium

TASTERS EVENT -

A talk on a Tasters event:- Loss, Grief, and bereavement by Sr. Clara, FMDM; who is a trained Counsellor on

(date) Thursday, 8 March, 2018.

(time) 8pm to 10 pm (venue) St. Mark's Rm.

It is open to all parishioners who want to have a deeper understanding on the above topics. Kindly register with the parish office. Love offering will be taken.

LENTEN SEASON

As part of our Lenten Campaign; the Parish will be collecting plastic bottles, used AA/AAA batteries, old newspapers and empty soft drink cans. A place will be allotted to drop these items. Let us do our part to safe the world.

(Food for thought)
Gospel: Mk 9: 2-10.
"Change & Conflict"

The Transfiguration story is not about a moment of spiritual illumination -but rather a story where we see Christ's attempt to rehabilitate and reenergize his disciples. Prior to this scene, the disciples were arguing about who would be the greatest in the kingdom; they tried to persuade Jesus NOT to go to Jerusalem - to suffer, die and rise. They had their own idea of what Jesus was about and what he should be doing. Yet the whole point of the story was not to go up the mountain and bask in God's glory, but to go back down the mountain and do what Jesus does.

For us, the meaning of the Transfiguration is that "in the dark night of hopelessness the light of God shines, and a human heart finds in God the power which turns a dying into victory."

Like those disciples, we come apart for a while with other disciples and the same voice is encouraging us, "Listen to him." Jesus' words and actions will tell us about God and about ourselves; but also about forgiveness, compassion and our responsibility to spread what we have heard from him and to do what he did.

Lent is when we try to take his words to heart and examine our lives through his perspective, based on what we have heard and observed in the Gospels. Words spoken to us at a crucial time could mean the difference between life and death; between having a more meaningful life and just living through our days in a superficial way without direction. It did for the disciples – it does for us.

As the Gospel unfolds, the dazzling brilliance of our God begins to show through the humanity of Jesus more and more clearly. Our faith tells us that our lives will gradually be re-energized and remade according to the pattern of the transfigured Christ, who is our Light, our Strength and our Salvation.

We have been told to "Go forth." How do we respond?

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

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish Priest at least **ONE MONTH** in advance.

Next Baptism: Sunday, 1 April, 2018.

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:

(Fahruary/March 2018)

PARISH A	CHVIIIES	& IVIEETIIVGS: (February/March	,2018)
* 25/2/2018	- 8.00 am	- CLOW	(St.Mark's Rm.)
	- 11.30 am	- RCIA (T)	(Wallace Rm.)
	- 1.30 pm	- PHDC learning centre	(3 rd floor)
	- 2.00 pm	- St.Cecilia's Choir	(Church)
	- 2.30 pm	- RCIA (E)	(St.Mark's Rm.)
* 26/2/208	- 7.00 pm	- CCR	(Meditation Rm.)
* 27/2/2018	- 8.15pm	- Legion of Mary (C)	(St.Matthew Rm.)
* 4/3/2018	- 8.30am	- Blood donation	(parish hall)
	- 10.30am	-Talk on Govt. funded higher education Inst	. (AV Rm.)
	- 11.30 am	- RCIA (T)	(Wallace Rm.)
	- 1.30 am	- PHDC learning centre	(3 rd fl.)
	- 2.00 pm	- St.Cecilia's Choir	(Church)
	- 2.30 pm	- RCIA (E)	(St.Mark's Rm.)
* 5/3/2018	- 7.00 pm	- CCR	
	- 8.00 pm	 Combined Liturgical Committee(E/C/T/BM)) (St Mark's Rm.)
* 6/3/2018	- 8.00 pm	- Liturgy Script Writers	(St.Mark's Rm.)
	- 8.15pm	- Legion of Mary (C)	(St.Matthew Rm.)
* 8/3/2018	- 8.00 pm	- Tasters Event	(St.Mark's Rm.)
	- 8.00 pm	 Holy Trinity Prayer group (C) 	(Meditation Rm.)
* 10/3/208	- 6.45pm	- CLOW	(St.Mark's Rm.)
* 11/3/2018	- 8.00 am	- CLOW	(St.Mark's Rm.)
	- 11.30 am	- RCIA (T)	(Wallace Rm.)
	- 1.30 pm	- PHDC learning centre	(3 rd floor)
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2018 COFFEE MORNINGS:

- * 25/2/2018 BEC St.Jude (Catherine)
- * 4/3/2018 Lectors & Commentators
- * 11/2/2018 Sunday Sch. Form 4
- * 18/3/2018 Tamil Liturgy.
- * 1/4/2018 Young People Choir
- * 8/4/2018 Bahasa group
- * 15/4/2018 Eucharistic Ministers
- * 22/4/2018 PHDC
- * 29/4/2018 BEC St.Francis Xavier.

BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERINGS:

- * 1/3/2018 8.00 pm BEC St. Francis De Sales: Home of Lawrence & Patricia.
- * 22/3/2018 8.00 pm BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of S.Benedict & Helen.

PARISH UPGRADING!!!!

The parish constructed a roof covering from the St.Gerard's Cafeteria to the office. The whole project cost approximately RM35,000/-. Donations can be made payable to "Parish of Our Mother of Perpetual Help". We look forward to your support and help.

Thank you for parishioners and friends who supported this project.

To-date donations collected RM29.480/-. We still need RM5.520/-.

HEALING SEMINAR

organized by OMPH Catholic Charismatic Renewal (date) Wed. 23, Thurs 24 & Fri 25 May, 2018

(time) 7.30pm to 10.00 pm (venue) OMPH church, Ipoh Gdn. (Speaker) Rev.Fr. Matthew Linn,SJ. Solidarity share RM10/-. Please register early.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

In preparation for Easter, penitential service will be held on Tuesday, 13 March, 2018 at 8.00 pm in OMPH church, Ipoh Garden.

LENT VISITATION for HOME-BOUND **COMMUNICANTS** –

(date) Wednesday, 14 March, 2018 (time) from 9 am onwards.

EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED 2018

Couples planning to get married in the year 2018, please take note of the EE Weekends english during the year. You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

EE115	6-8 April, 2018
EE116	22-24 June 2018
EE117	24-26 August 2018
EE118	26-28 October 2018

Application forms can be obtained from your Parish priest or on website: www.ceepenang.org

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.

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)

24 HOURS WITH BISHOP SEBASTIAN FRANCIS "LIVE-IN **EXPERIENCE**" Year 2

Open to young men who are SINGLE and have completed SPM & Above. This program is designed for those interested in discovering a vocation to the priesthood and mission.

3rd to 4th March 2018 from 1pm -1pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Silibin, Ipoh. Perak

No Fee. Accommodation and food provided.

Those interested kindly contact: Vincent Joseph 04-2611350 (office hours) Monday Fridav

PDYD 4 is Back!

Register now and Let's Get L.O.U.D. (Loving, Ourselves, Uniting Diversity)! 16-17 June, 2018 from 12 pm to 12 pm at Church of Christ the King, Sq.Petani, Kedah. Solidarity share is RM50/- per person and can be made to the Parish Youth Leader/Parish office. To know more about "PDYD 4" visit http://pdynpenang.com/pdyd4