



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
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Movement Control Order (MCO) has been extended from Friday, 5 February till Thursday, 18 February, 2021.

All activities, prayer groups, Weekday and Weekend masses are cancelled. These guidelines may be revised from time to time in line with updates and additional SOPs issued by the authorities.

EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED 2021

Couples planning to get married in the year 2021, please take note of the EE Weekends in English during the year. You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

Stella Maris, Tg. Bungalow/online Penang	* EE 126 5 – 7 Mar 2021 * EE 127 28-30 May 2021 * EE 128 27-29 Aug 2021 * EE 129 19 – 21 Nov 2021
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Application forms can be obtained from your Parish Priest or on the website: www.ceepenang.org
Please see your Parish Priest for registration.

TAMIL MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND - 2021 Closing date for registration (T): on 1st day of each month.

<i>Dormitory</i>	<i>Feb -26,27,28</i>
<i>St.Anne, Bukit Mertajam</i>	<i>May 28,29,30</i>
	<i>Aug. 27,28,29</i>
	<i>Nov.26, 27, 28</i>

Chinese/Lunar New Year – 12 & 13 Feb.,2021
 The Catholic Bishops’ Conference of Malaysia, Singapore & Brunei (CBCMSB) grants dispensation from abstinence to all the faithful celebrating CNY on 12, 19 & 26 Feb.,2021. However, all are asked to observe the regular fast & abstinence for Ash Wed. on 17 Feb., 2021

GONG XI FA CAI....
WISHING ALL
CHINESE PARISHIONERS
A HAPPY AND
PROSPEROUS
CHINESE NEW YEAR
of the OX.

NEW REGISTRATION Sunday Catechism at OMPH church, Ipoh, for year 2021

Parents who wish to register their child for Sunday catechism may go online at **omhip.org** and fill in the **E-Form** for your child registration for Primary/Secondary catechism 2021.

.....2021 Sunday Catechism will be mostly online classes. Priority classes will be given to children in preparation for Sacrament of the Eucharist and Confirmation (Std. 3, Form 3 & 4). Meeting of students from other classes will be on rotation. Your class teacher will get in-touch with you. These classes will be grouped in a smaller number. A copy of the year’s catechism planner will be given.

(food for thought) (Bulletin 14 February, 2021)
 Gospel: Mark 1: 40-45 **“Reach Out and Touch”**



Despite our faith and trust in God, we continue to link goodness and holiness with health; fault and sin with sickness. They certainly did that in Jesus’ time. If you were sick, you must have sinned and you were receiving just punishment. So sickness was associated with sin and therefore linked to religious attitudes. There was an extra burden placed on someone with leprosy - or what was believed to be leprosy. Not only did lepers have to suffer the torments of the disease; but they had to live outside the community; even religious gatherings were prohibited to them.

The answer is wrapped up in the ever-present mystery, at the heart of our Christianity, of dying to ourselves so that the love of God and neighbor might come to full bloom in us. The Crucified Christ teaches us how to die... and the Risen Christ teaches us how to live. The Cross conditions us to self-denial, to contradiction, to failure, to foolishness for the sake of love. The Empty Tomb assures us that the victory and the power of the Risen Lord are ours.

If our lives reflect what we believe, then they would be a clear proclamation of the good news. The gospel today reminds us that, through Jesus, we have all been made whole. The parts of our lives we and others would consider untouchable, have been touched by Jesus. His compassion for us prompts him to reach out to touch and heal us. What has happened to us, we pass on to others - not afraid to reach out and touch those in need of our compassion, understanding and forgiveness.

We are disciples on a journey of hope. Along the way, we often stumble and sometimes we wander off along the wrong paths. Ours is a journey of becoming whole, of growth, and of learning - learning that being his follower is not just something we do, it’s what we are; learning that Eucharist is not just something that brings us nourishment and healing, but rather that which we must always strive to become.

Indeed, "Good News."