



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
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(Announcements:)

PELAN PERMULIHAN NASIONAL (PPN) FASA 1,2,3/ National Recovery Plan (NRP) PHASE 1, 2, 3 effective from 29 June, 2021 until further notice.

These guidelines may be revised in line with updates and additional SOPs issued by the authorities. In view of this and the alarming figures of new infections and increase in infectivity, ALL MASSES (weekday and weekend) are suspended **till further notice.**

The main gate of the church will remain closed and only **Individuals** (*not in groups*) who have a special and urgent reason to see the priest or office staff must first make a prior appointment before the visit. As far as possible, if the matter could be handled by avoiding any physical contact, alternative means of communication should be used – telephone call or email. Visitors with prior appointments should have their hand sanitized and should be masked. Check in with MySejahtera App. Contact details of visitors will be recorded for the purpose of contact tracing.

NEW-INTAKE (2021-2022) RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

If you know of friends who are interested in making enquiry into the Catholic Faith, **please call to register now at the parish office (055458220).** Sessions will be held online in English, Mandarin & Tamil.

FORMED.org

Diocese of Penang has subscribed for Formed.org so that all individuals, families, ministries, communities and beyond can access to Catholic programs, talks, movie, audios and other materials for free.

- Steps to self-registration for every individual –
- a) <https://formed.org/>
 - b) Sign up today. Click blue box that says Sign Up.
 - c) 'How would you like to sign up?' – click on "Sign up as a parishioner"
 - d) While in the 'Create a New Account page' to find your parish or organization:
 - i) Search & type "Penang Diocesan Pastoral Institute" then click on it.
 - e) Personal individual account –
 - i) Put your name & personal email address which have not been used before to sign up for FORMED. (you can create a new email if necessary)
 - ii) Click Sign up & you are logged in.

BECs ONLINE Mass

Get in-touch with your BEC leader or parish office to schedule for your area online live BEC mass.

CONTRIBUTION to OMPH church

(Parishioners & friends who wish to contribute towards their monthly church contributions please do online trf. at Public Bank – A/c 3096864807 (Parish of Our Mother of Perpetual Help) or give us a call at the parish office to make an appointment. No one is authorized to collect any money on behalf of the church.)

food for thought) (Bulletin 5 September, 2021)

Gospel: Mark 7: 31-37.

"Speaking plainly"



Our journey of faith is a never-ending one - one of constantly coming to know The Father through Jesus. It kind of parallels the journey of the first disciples and followers of Jesus' their coming to faith - their coming to understand who the Father was - and how they came to know him. This is the story that Jesus told over and over again - but it is not just His story; it's our story as well.

Jesus reached out to all people. He touched all who would listen. Such inclusion and putting aside walls of separation, would eventually get Jesus into trouble and lead to his death. Those whose ears have been opened by Christ and who act accordingly, will also suffer rejection and perhaps even die for their faith. But that is not the end of the story - for they will experience the resurrection, the new life Jesus has promised them.

Jesus' message is not an easy one to hear - especially during the times in which we live. One of the most difficult facets of Christianity is that it continually invites us to re-imagine how the whole process works. There can be no compromise when it comes to the message of Christ. If we buy into it only half-heartedly, we will ultimately lose it. If we pick and choose what parts of the Gospel we will subscribe to, we end up betraying the entire message. If we are faithful only when it is easy to be, we run the risk of denying Him under pressure.

With Jesus, it's all or nothing

