



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. Bungan/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

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.

Dormitory	Feb -26,27,28
St.Anne, Bukit Mertajam	May 28,2930
	Aug. 27,28,29
	Nov.26, 27, 28

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

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. Please submit a **photostat copy of your child baptism certificate in person** during sunday catechism class.

Catechesis@Home OMPH:

Children aged 3 to 6 are welcome to join us for these Zoom catechesis sessions held on Sundays at 5.30pm. If you would like your child to attend please call Monica Dicom 0125280405 or email<monicadicom@hotmail.com> for more details .

(food for thought) (Bulletin 7 February, 2021)
 Gospel: Mark 1: 29-39 *“Longing for the shade ”*



While Jesus deals with suffering and cures illnesses in the Gospel stories, he doesn't eliminate all pain from the world; somehow we deal with that suffering and its causes as we can, and are left with the awesome mystery of what remains. That mystery rests in Jesus' proclamation that the "kingdom is at hand." The first major adjustment that the early Christian community had to make was recognizing that the world was not coming to an end, and that service to others was to be the order of the day.

Job's prayer is a Lamentation, a complaint of a faithful person to God. It is a prayer of great faith for it expresses belief in the One who is listening. It says that we are not alone as we cry out from the abyss, that our words do not fall on deaf ears. Job does not get a full answer from God, but he does learn that God is not deaf and hears the complaint of this pained and trusting servant who will not accept simple answers about suffering. He speaks boldly to God; his is a prayer of truth, a prayer of courage and a prayer of trust. For some of us this kind of prayer may be the only one that we can pray during times of suffering and helplessness.

There is no easy answer to Job's problems. There is no "solution" to the mystery of suffering. We, too, long for a place in the shade. But we listen to today's Gospel and we know that unlike the innocent Job, Jesus is the sinless one who takes on our suffering; who suffers so others can be set free. This is the truth to be embraced and celebrated in our own discipleship. What Jesus did for Simon's mother-in-law he does for us, individually and as a community. He extends a hand to us, raising us up from sin and death to a new life.

And this new life gives us the power to see the needs of others and to respond with trust and joy.

