



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**COFFEE MORNING**

Effective from 2018 coffee morning groups are invited not to use plastic plates, cups, fork & spoon or boxes in the St.Gerard Cafeteria. We call on all groups to use recycle plates and cups. This will call upon more washing to be done. The church will look into the cutlery. Let us together work towards a new ecology.

**2017 ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE**

In preparation for Christmas, penitential service will be held on –  
 \* **18/12/2017** – 7.30pm – Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Silibin.  
 \* **19/12/2017** – 8.00 pm – Church of St. Michael, Ipoh  
 \* **20/12/2017** – 8.00 pm – Church of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Ipoh Gdn.

**CAROLING**

Carolers from RECHOSO will be visiting homes to bring Christmas joy and glad tidings to one an all on **21 & 22 December, 2017.**  
 Contact: Christopher Wong (017 5785223)

**CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

PHDC will be organizing a Christmas Lunch for family members of their Adoptee families on Sunday, 17 December, 2017 at Wallace house from 10.00 am to 12 noon.  
 A smaller group will be having their lunch at St. Mary's Chapel on the same date and time.

**SCHEDULE FOR CHRISTMAS 2017**

\* **Sunday, 24/12/2017** (OMPH church)  
 Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord  
 \*8pm Carol (T) \*8.30pm Mass (T)  
 \*11pm Carols (E) \* 11.30pm Mass (E)  
**St.Mary's Chapel, Tersusun**  
 (24/12/2017) Christmas Midnight Mass.  
 \* 10.30 pm Carols (T) 11.00pm Mass (T)

\* **Monday, 25/12/2017**

OMPH church  
 \* 8.30am Carols (E) 9.00am Mass (E)  
 \*11.00am (C) Carols 11.30am Mass. (C)

**RCIA – SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

Last call to all baptized Catholics who are interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation; kindly be present on Sunday, 17 December, 2017 at 2.30 pm in St.Mark's room. Please contact the Parish office.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS & CELEBRATION – Sunday, 31 December, 2017**

Praise and Rosary will begin at 10.15pm followed by Mass at 11pm.  
 We invite all who are attending this celebration to bring a plate of finger food for our fellowship after the celebration. You can leave the food at the St. Gerard's Cafeteria.  
 Let us welcome the New Year together with thanksgiving and hope for the coming year.

**“Children Helping Children”**

This Sunday, 17 of December morning, the children choir will be singing carols during the breakfast sale. They will be carrying out a mission project entitled “Children helping children”. A box will be placed on your table to help them raise funds to help children throughout the world. Please make an Advent Offering for the children.



**ISSUES AFFECTING THE LIFE OF CHILDREN**

**HOMELESS**  
 but of 50 million displaced people half of them are children

**Lack of Education**  
 100 million children do not have access to school.

**CHILD NEGLECT**  
 You neglect a child she suffer from EQ  
 IQ  
 SQ  
 Can you help?

**Child Prostitution**  
 UNICEF  
 that there are 60,000 child prostitutes in one country alone.

**CHILD LABOUR**  
 211 million children between the age of 5 to 14 are working around the world.

**25,000 children** die each day due to poverty.  
**28% of children** are underweight.  
**6400 children** are without adequate shelter.

**INTERNET CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

**MILITARY USE OF CHILDREN**  
 Approximately 250,000 children under the age of 18 are thought to be fighting in conflict around the world.

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

**WEDDING BANNES:** (1<sup>st</sup> Publication)

\* Samantha Chew Quin Li & Nicholas Xi Yang

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

**PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:**

*(December 2017/January 2018)*

- \* 17/12/2017 - 11.30 am - RCIA (T) (Wallace Rm.)
- 11.30 am - Faith Educators (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 2.00 pm - RECHOSO (Senali Rm.)
- 2.00 pm - St.Cecilia's Choir (Church)
- 2.30 pm - RCIA (E) (St.Mark's Rm.)
- \* 19/12/2017 - 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew Rm.)
- \* 21/12/2017 - 8.00 pm - Choir (T) (St.Paul's Rm.)
- \* 22/12/2017 - 8.00 pm - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 23/12/2017 - 10.00 am - RECHOSO (church)
- \* - 3.00 pm - Rehearsal for Liturgical ministers for Christmas celebration
- \* 28/12/2017 - 8.00 pm - Holy Trinity prayer group (c) (Meditation Rm.)
- \* 29/12/2017 - 8.00 pm - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 2/1/2018 - 8.15pm - Legion of Mary (St.Matthew Rm.)
- \* 3/1/2018 - 8.00 pm - Eucharistic Ministers (St. Mark's Rm.)
- \* 4/1/2018 - 8.00 pm - Tamil Choir (T) (St. Paul's Rm.)
- \* 5/1/2018 - 8.00 pm - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 7/1/2018 - 11.30am - Inter-Religion (MCCBCHST) fellowship (Parish hall)
- \* 8/1/2018 - 7.00 pm - CCR (Meditation Rm.)
- 8.00 pm - Chinese Apostolate (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 9/1/2018 - 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew Rm.)
- \* 10/1/2018 - 8.00 pm - PHDC (St.Mark's Rm.)
- \* 11/1/2018 - 8.00 pm - Holy Trinity Prayer group (Meditation Rm.)
- \* 21/1/2018 - 7.30pm - Parish Pastoral Council (St.Mark's Rm.)

**2017 & 2018 COFFEE MORNINGS:**

- \* 17/12/2017 – Charismatic.
- \* 7/1/2018 - Hospitality Ministers
- \* 14/1/2018 - St. Mary's Chapel project & upgrading.
- \* 21/1/2018 - St. Mary's Chapel YOUTH.
- \* 28/1/2018 - BEC St. Monica.
- \* 4/2/2018 - BEC St. John the Apostle (Zone 4)
- \* 11/2/2018 - Sunday Catechism Teachers.

**BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERING:**

- \* 17/12/2017 – 6.30 pm – BEC St. Jude.
- \* 8/1/2018 - 7.30 pm – BEC All Saints; Home of Ronnie Tan.
- \* 18/1/2018 - 11.00 am – BEC St. Mary Magdela; Home of Yvonne Lai.
- \* 19/1/2018 – 8.00 pm - BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Lawrence & Patricia.
- \* 21/1/2018 – 7.30 pm – BC St. Teresa; Home of Carmen & Edward Ngu.

**PARISH UPGRADING!!!**

The parish will be constructing a roof covering from the St.Gerard's Cafeteria to the office. It will be fitted with lights and fan to make the place more conducive for gathering for our breakfast morning and other events. The whole project will cost approximately RM35,000/-. The project will begin in January 2018.

Donations can be made payable to "Parish of Our Mother of Perpetual Help". We look forward to your support and help. (Parish priest)

**REHEARSAL FOR MIDNIGHT MASS**

All Liturgical ministers who are involved in the Christmas Midnight Mass are requested to be present for a rehearsal on **Saturday 23 December, 2017** at 3.00 pm. Kindly be present so that each ministry knows what they are doing.

**Calling all Altar Servers**

You are requested to be present for polishing and rehearsal on Saturday, 23/12/2017 at 9.30 am.

**ADVENT PUZZLE COMPETITION**

**Hi Children** 🙌..... hope you have been enjoying doing the puzzles daily..... Remember we will be collecting the books after the English masses on Sat. 23 & Sun. 24 & Mon. 25 of December. Do drop them in the collection boxes and wait and see if you win a prize.

**BOOK MISSION...**

Daughters of St. Paul will be in our parish on Sat. 16 & Sun. 17 of December, 2017 for a book mission. Please give them your support.

**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**

will resume on Wed. 10 January, 2018

**SALE OF CERAMICS & HANDICRAFTS**

There will be a Christmas sale made by Perak Society for the Promotion of Mental Health on Sat. 23/12/2017 in the evening.

**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.

EE114	19-21 January, 2018
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](http://www.ceepenang.org)