



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

**"ADULT ENQUIRY  
TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH"**

RCIA 2015 – 2016 ;

Sessions are held on -

**RCIA (T)** -Sunday, 11 October, 2015 @ 11.30am  
in St. Matthew's Rm. & Senali Rm.

**RCIA (E)** - Sunday, 11 October '15 @ 3.30pm  
in St. Mark's Rm.

**RCIA (C)** – Friday, 16 October, 2015 @ 8 pm  
in ven Francis Xavier Room.

**PARISH ASSEMBLY 2015**

(date) **Sunday, 6 December, 2015**

(time) 2.30 pm to 6.00 pm

(venue) Parish Hall.

Every representatives to the Parish Pastoral Council with 6 members from your ministry are to attend this Parish Assembly. Kindly submit the names of members attending the Assembly to the parish office.

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

The Fund Raising Committee will be holding its Annual Fellowship Dinner on

**Sunday 22nd November 2015**

**at 7.30pm**

**in the OMPH Parish Hall.**

Get your tickets from the parish office or from the Fund Raising Committee members.

**OMPH PARISH MINISTRIES RETREAT**

The Parish is organizing a retreat for all the ministries on

(date) **Sunday, 3 January, 2016.**

(venue) The Haven Lakeside Resort, Ipoh.

(time) 11.00 am to 4.00 pm (English-speaking)

12.00 noon to 4.00pm (Tamil-speaking)

1.30 pm -5 pm (Chinese-speaking)

Fellowship dinner @ 7 pm in the parish hall. Chairperson of the Ministries are reminded to submit the names of members & their contact number by 30 October, 2015 at the parish office.

**(food for thought)**

**Gospel: Mark 10: 17-30**

**"An Open-Agenda"**

There is a basic difference between taking an initiative and responding to a call. Today's Gospel is the beginning of two extraordinary, contrasting, and very familiar stories. *The first* may be understood as an ultimately failed initiative, and the second as a successful response to a call. The first, of course, is the story we know as "The rich (young) man," and *the second* is the story of blind Bartimaeus.

The rich man asks Jesus what he must do *"to inherit eternal life."* We know very little about him - neither his name nor his age. We simply see that he is more reflective than impulsive, and in search of something more than just a "quick fix." His agenda is clear, his approach direct, and his intentions are honorable. Jesus' answer is this: *there is no single thing that one must do, or can do, to inherit eternal life. No single act will do, for that would be too mechanical, too much like magic.*

Eternal life is a gift, freely offered to all, yet quite beyond price. We cannot purchase what is priceless, yet if it is freely offered we may accept it wholeheartedly. And if we truly want something that is priceless, we will be prepared to pay any price, prepared to give everything we have. Nothing less than a wholehearted commitment is a legitimate response to God's gift of life. As a result, the man, loved by Jesus, departs, sorrowfully.

Each of us shall have to take this gospel to heart. We need to examine our perspectives and strip away our illusions. What is really important for life, we cannot earn or grasp by ourselves. It's not that we aren't good people, respectable and friendly. It's just that God has even more to offer us; so much more that we can let go of other priorities in our lives so that we can receive the gift waiting for us.

Discipleship requires new kinds of relationships, new kinds of community. Rugged individualism is simply not adequate. What God wants to give cannot be purchased or earned. Like the rich man, we need to ask ourselves: "Right now, at this stage of our lives, what must we do to be more responsive to the invitation Jesus is extending to us?" And rather than presupposing we know the answer to that question, we might pray for a listening heart to the One who is saying, "Come follow me."

**MARRIAGE:**

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

**BAPTISM:**

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

**PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:**

(October, 2015)

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| * 11/10/2015 | - 11.15 am – Tamil Apostolate                  | (St.Paul's Rm.)           |
|              | - 11.30 am – RCIA Tamil                        | (Senali Rm & Matthew Rm.) |
|              | - 2.00 pm - PHDC tuition                       | (3 <sup>rd</sup> floor)   |
|              | - 3.30 pm - RCIA in English                    | (St.Mark's Rm.)           |
| * 12/10/2015 | - 8.00 pm – Chinese Apostolate                 | (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)  |
| * 13/10/2015 | - 8.15 pm – Legion of Mary (C)                 | (Matthew Rm.)             |
|              | - 8.00 pm - Lectors & Commentators             | (St.Mark's Rm.)           |
| * 14/10/2015 | - 8.00 pm - Chinese group                      | (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)  |
| * 16/10/2015 | - 8.00 pm – RCIA (C)                           | (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)  |
| * 17/10/2015 | - 10.10 am – PHDC Packing of rations           | (Wallace hse.)            |
| * 18/10/2015 | - 10.00 am – PHDC distribution of rations      | (Wallace hse.)            |
|              | - 11.30 am – RCIA Tamil                        | (Senali Rm & Matthew Rm.) |
|              | - 2.00 pm - PHDC tuition                       | (3 <sup>rd</sup> floor)   |
|              | - 3.30 pm - RCIA in English                    | (St.Mark's Rm.)           |
| * 22/10/2015 | - 8.00 pm - YCL "Closeness as companionship"   | (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)  |
| * 29/10/2015 | - 8.00 pm - Area Coordinators, Representatives | (St.Mark's Rm.)           |

**BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERINGS:**

- \* 13/10/2015 – 7.30pm – BEC St.Joseph; Home of June Khoo, Tmn Syukur.
- \* 16/10/2015 – 8.00 pm – BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Joe Mariasusay & Maria.
- \* 23/10/2015 – 8.00 pm - BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Juliet Victor.
- \* 30/10/2015 – 8.00 pm - BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Lawrence & Patricia.

**COFFEE MORNINGS 2015:**

(All breakfast will go on till 11.30 a.m.)

- 11/10/2015 – Tamil Charismatic Renewal group.
- 18/10/2015 – RECHOSO
- 25/10/2015 – BEC St.Monica.
- 8/11/2015 - Fund Raising
- 15/11/2015 – St.Mary's Chapel.
- 22/11/2015 – Altar Servers.

**ETERNAL HAPPINESS TO:**

+ Savarinayagam a/l Anthony departed on 2 October, 2015.

**YEAR OF CONSECRATED LIFE**

"Closeness as Companionship"

A session held on  
(date) Thursday, 22 October, 2015.  
(time) 8.00 pm  
(venue) OMPH Pastoral Centre  
ven Francis Xavier Room.

Come join us for an experience of us being found, touched, and transformed. This will be followed with light refreshment.

**THEOLOGY OF THE BODY (or Teens)**

(date) Fri. 23 – Sun. 25 October, 2015  
(venue) St.Anne's Church New Dormitory,  
Bukit Mertajam, Penang.

This session is open to all Christians between ages 16 till 30 and it will be conducted in English.

**LAUNCHING OF THE RESTORATION OF THE CATHOLIC HERITAGE CEMETERY**

The Diocese of Penang have decided to restore this historic cemetery to honour the Catholic heritage which is sitting in the UNESCO World Heritage site of the George Town.

Rt. Rev. Sebastian Francis, Bishop of Penang will be blessing the graves on (date) **Sunday, 1 November, 2015.** (time & place) 5.00 pm at the Heritage Cemetery (next to St.Joseph's home) followed by Mass in St.Francis Xavier's Church, Penang at 6.00 pm. Parishioners are cordially invited to the launching.

**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. For enquiries, call: 019-5769166/ 012-5833904.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION TIME**

All are welcome to join the Christian Meditation group which meets  
\* EVERY FRIDAY ( 6 PM TO 7 P.M.)  
\* EVERY SATURDAY AT 11.00 A.M. – 12 NOON in the Meditation room.

**"WAKE UP THE WORLD"**

Don Moen, singer-songwriter of the Worship hits. Live in Kuala Lumpur on (date) Tuesday, 13 October, 2015. (venue) Calvary Convention Centre, Bkt. Jalil, K.L.

**PDCC** (Penang Diocese Catechetical Commission)

**RETREAT FOR CATECHISTS 2015**

(date) 14 & 15 November, 2015  
(venue) Marina Cove, Lumut.  
(Retreat Master) Rev.Fr. David Reegon  
This Retreat is to enlighten and deepen catechists in their relationship with Jesus, in self-transformation and to be in sync with the demands of faith education and coping skills in teaching Catechism to young minds.

