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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

WORLD DAY for

CONSECRATED LIFE Our Holy Father Pope Francis has declared 2015 to be the Year of Consecrated Life. This year the 3 Parishes of Ipoh are organizing a short Prayer Session followed by Mass to commemorate the World Day for Consecrated Life which will be celebrated on **Monday, 2 February, 2015.**

Let us unite in prayer to support all our Religious Sisters, Brothers and Priests who have consecrated their life to God and thank them on this their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ to respond generously to God's gift of their vocation. all are invited and encouraged to participate in this event. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

(venue) Church of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Ipoh Garden.(time) 7.30 pm

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Our 1st meeting will take place on **Sun. 18/1/2015 at 3.00 pm** and *not 7.30pm* in St.Mark's Room. It is compulsory for all Council members to be present for this meeting.

WE REQUEST YOUR PRAYERS... Please remember to pray for the Herald's case that will be heard in court on Wed. 21 January, 2015. It is about the rights of minority that it is safe guarded and our constitution will be protected.

THANK YOU

for responding generously towards the collection for the flood victims. The total amount collected is of RM15,982.65. Also, Donors who donated household items, food, stationary will be taken to Gua Musang through Fr. Eugene Benedict. God bless you all.

(food for thought) Gospel: Jn 1: 35-42.

Called by Name to Serve

Today, the Gospel of John reminds us that we are called to be disciples; we are all called to minister and proclaim God's word to the nonbeliever (*to evangelize*) and to share that word with our fellow believers (*to catechize*).

The call to discipleship is not one of revolution but of the retrieval of one of the most important elements in the church's tradition - service.

Service is what "discipleship" is all about. Throughout our life's journey the idea of "service to others" may take on many forms or varied flavors. And there may be a lot of mixed motives in our faithfulness to this ideal. It may be habit, or training, or family tradition. Perhaps, like Eli in our first reading, priests and nuns have been strong influences on our choice; perhaps the example of parents, relatives and friends have been a factor. But when our faith is challenged, when the call to discipleship is really difficult to live up to, we need to have a source to which we can return time and again - to be refreshed, renewed and revitalized. As mature, free and responsible adults, we have to have a solid, tested, reasonable base for our faith, for our decisions, for our actions, and for the fundamental values we live by.

The Lord called Samuel by name; he called Simon by name - and gave him a new name. For us - as those called by name in baptism - making the Kingdom of God present in the world is what defines our call to discipleship.

Let us find hope amidst life's chaos; Jesus has died, Jesus has risen, Jesus will come again... and again... Jesus is born again every time a person turns away from the negative, sinful and selfish to let His Spirit live anew.

For us, there is no other way, no other source.

MARRIAGE:

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

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish Priest at least <u>ONE MONTH</u> in advance.

ADULT ENQUIRY TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH: 19/1/2015 - 8.00 pm - St.Mark's Rm.

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS: (January/February, 2015) * 18/1/2015 - 10.00 am – Theology of the Body - 10.00 am - Distribution of rations - 3.00 pm - Parish Pastoral Council - 6.30 pm - Choice (T) concert * 20/1/2015 – 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) * 21/1/2015 - 8.00 pm - Chinese group * 25/1/2015 - 10.00 am - Theology of the Body * 27/1/2015 – 6.30 pm - St.Peregrine Support group - 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) * 28/1/2015 - 8.00 pm - Chinese group * 29/1/2015 – 8.00 pm - Area Coordinators, Representatives * 1/2/2015 - 10.00 am - Theology of the Body - 11.00 am - Tamil Liturgical Committee * 3/2/2015 – 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) * 4/2/2015 - 8.00 pm - Chinese group

(AV Rm.) (Wallace hse) (St. Mark's Rm.) (Parish Hall) (St.Matthew Rm.) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) (AV Rm.) (Meditation Rm.) (St.Matthew Rm.) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) (St.Mark's Rm.) (St.Paul's Rm.) (St.Paul's Rm.) (St.Matthew Rm.) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)

BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERINGS:

- 22/1/2015 7.30 pm BEC St. John the Apostle (Zone 4); Home mass at Patrick hse.
- 25/1/2015 6.30 pm BEC St. Philip; Home of Jacqueline.

COFFEE MORNINGS 2015:

(All breakfast will go on till 11 a.m.)

- 18/1/2015 BEC St.Anthony (Zone 2) (Dass)
- 25/1/2015 PHDC. (John Tan)
- 1/2/2015 BEC St.Philip.
- 8/2/2015 St.Mary's Chapel (Zone 3)
- 15/2/2015 OMPH Tamil Hospitality Ministers.
- 22/2/2015 BEC St.Monica (Victor)
- 1/3/2015 BEC St.John (Hector)
- 8/3/2015 Faith Educators.
- 15/3/2015 St.Mary's Chapel (Zone 1) (Peter C.)
- 22/3/2015 St.Mary's Chapel (Zone 4) (Selin)
- 29/3/2015 Hospitality Ministers (S.Phillips/Benedict)

TUITION CENTRE

PHDC wishes to thank all Teachers who have registered their services. PHDC is urgently in need of Teachers in Science and Bahasa Malaysia for Std. 4 to Form 2. We appeal to Parishioners to come forward to volunteer their services.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The PHDC would like to thank all parishioners, donors and benefactors for their kind support and generous donations of cash and food items during the Advent season 2014.

CHOICE TAMIL PERAK - Gala Night - EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED

(date) Sunday, 18 January, 2015. (time) 6.30 pm – 10.00 pm (venue) OMPH Parish hall, Ipoh Gdn. (Ticket) RM15/- per person. This is a fund raising concert. All funds raised will be contributed to upcoming Perak Choice Tamil weekends.Contacts: Christina (012 5983588)

LENT SEASON SEMINAR (in Tamil language)

(date) **Sat. 7 February, 2015** (time) 10 am – 3.00 pm (venue) ven Francis Xavier room. (Cost per person) RM5/- (lunch & tea) (Presenter) Fr. Joseph Stephen,CSsR Contact:- Peter James, St.Mary's Chapel. Lurthusamy of OMPH (05 3131384) (in English language) (date) **Sat. 14 February, 2015** (time) 10 am – 4 pm (Cost per person) RM7/-. (lunch & tea) (Presenter) Sr. Margaret Sta Maria, FdCC.

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.

EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED 2015

Couples planning to get married in the year 2015, please take note of the EE Weekends english during the year. You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

EE 99	30 Jan – 1 Feb, 2015
EE100	24- 26 April, 2015
EE101	26-28 June, 2015
EE102	21-23 Aug, 2015 (BM)
EE103	6-8 Nov., 2015

Please see your Parish Priest for registration.

TAMIL MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND - 2015

Stella Maris,	Feb 27 &	Closing date:
Penang	28, Mar 1	1/2/2015
Domus		
St.Anne,	29, 30, 31	1/5/2015
Bukit	May	
Mertajam		
Chapel	Aug. 20,	Closing date:
St.Chastan &	21, 22	1/8/2015
Imbert, Prai		
Church of	Nov.	Closing date:
Sacred Heart,	20,21, 22	1/11/2015

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