



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW-INTAKE (or) "ADULT ENQUIRY TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH"

If you know of friends who are interested in making enquiry into the Catholic Faith, a baptized person of a catholic church who has not received the Sacrament of Holy Communion and/or Sacrament of Confirmation, please invite them now to register at the Parish Office. Please take note that the sessions will start end of June.

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Thursday, 14 May, 2015
Mass will be at 6.20 am & 8 pm

SUNDAY CATECHISM NEWS

Sunday Catechism Classes resume on Sunday, 10 May, 2015.

PARENTS' SESSION

for Form 3 Pre-Confirmation children are requested to be present on
(date) **Sunday, 17 May, 2015**
(time) 10.00 am
(venue) OMPH Parish Hall.

KIDS' BIBLE CAMP 2015

Come & explore a
"Marvelous Mystery – The Mass Comes Alive"
(date) 3 – 7 June, 2015
(venue) OMPH grounds
(time) 9.00 am – 1.00 pm
(Ages) 6 – 12 years old
(Fee) RM55/- per child.
Register with your Sunday Sch. Teachers

(Food for thought)

Gospel: John 15: 1-8. " True Vine and True Branches"

In this week's Gospel, Jesus refers to Himself as the "True Vine", and He presents us with quite a different emphasis - the focus of which is our role within this mystery.

Jesus says: "I am the True Vine and my Father is the vinedresser... I am the vine who feeds and nourishes; you are the branches." Jesus uses the imagery of the vine and the branches to dramatize the intimate, life-giving connection that He offers to those who believe in Him. He promises that if we remain united with Him in faith and love, we will be alive and fruitful. He reminds us that being connected to Him is necessary for healthy growth. But He also tells us that we cannot be connected to Him, without being connected to - and dependent upon - one another.

We are called to Eucharist, *to celebrate Eucharist*; to thank God *together* for the gift of faith: to listen to the living Word, and then to gather at the Table of the Lord to experience reconciliation, renewed hope and joy, and the fullness of life as we remember the death and resurrection of Jesus and celebrate again our identity as members of God's people.

Jesus tells us that our connection to Him is strong. The image of the Vine and Branches tells us that we cannot exist on our own, without sustenance from He who is our Source of Life and Love. And it also tells us that we cannot exist without the support and love of one another. His was pure, unselfish, unconditional love. It was not motivated by fear, or by any self-seeking. His love was given freely, without being earned or merited. He loved sinner and saint, the rich and the poor, the learned and the simple. And he expected nothing in return.

Love is the ultimate connection. This is His "new commandment" - we are not only connected to Him, but to one another. He taught the truth, he spoke words of comfort, he healed the sick, he brought sight to the blind, he rebuked those who needed to be rebuked, he spent much time in prayer and in communion with the Father. Ultimately he laid down his life for His brothers and sisters.

And He invites and calls us to go and do likewise - to love not only in word or speech but in deed and in truth. It is only within the loving support of the community that we maintain our connection with Jesus, the vine, and are assured that His life will continue to flow in us and make us fruitful as his disciples.

MARRIAGE:

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

BAPTISM:

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

ADULT ENQUIRY TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH:

- RCIA - 4/5/2015 – 8.00 pm - (St.Mark's Rm.)
- RCIA – 11/5/2015 – 8.00 pm – (St.Mark's Rm.)
- RCIA – 18/5/2015 – 8.00 pm – (St.Mark's Rm.)

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:

(May, 2015)

- * 3/5/2015 - 11.00 am – Tamil Liturgical Committee (St.Paul's Rm.)
- 3.00 pm - Liturgy Script Writers (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 5/5/2015 - 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew Rm.)
- * 6/5/2015 - 8.00 pm – Chinese group (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- * 10/5/2015 – 11.00 am – Tamil Apostolate (St.Paul's Rm.)
- 8.00 pm - **Parish Pastoral Council** (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 11/5/2015 – 8.00 pm - Chinese Apostolate (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- * 12/5/2015 - - 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew Rm.)
- * 13/5/2015 - 8.00 pm – Chinese group (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- * 17/5/2015 – 10.00 am – Parents Session for Form 3 Pre-Confirmation children (Parish hall)
- * 28/5/2015 – 8.00 pm – Area Coordinators (St.Mark's Rm.)

BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERINGS:

- 8/5/2015 – 8 pm – BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Juliet Victor.
- 15/5/2015 – 8 pm – BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Joe Mariasusay & Maria.
- 22/5/2015 – 8 pm – BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Lawrence & Patricia.

COFFEE MORNINGS 2015:

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

- 3/5/2015 - BEC St.Alphonsus Liguori (Eugene Chow)
- 10/5/2015 – Form 2 (Sun.Sch.)
- 17/5/2015 – Form 1 (Sun.Sch.)
- 24/5/2015 – I.T. (Colin D'Oliveiro)
- 31/5/2015 – BEC St.Gerard (T)
- 7/6/2015 - St.Augustine Choir
- 14/6/2015 – Sun Sch. (Std. 3)

PENANG DIOCESAN CATECHETICAL COMMISSION

- Formasi ALKITAB
(date) 9hb & 10 hb Mei, 2015
(venue) YMCA Ipoh.
(conducted by) Fr. Valetino Dompok
Untuk maklumat lanjut sila hubungi:
Christine Gui (012 4260168)

1-YEAR COURSE ON 'CERTIFICATE IN INTEGRAL THEOLOGICAL STUDIES'

Participants can choose to attend either at Domus, Bkt. Mertajam or Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Ipoh.
Lectures on two Saturdays a month from 9 am – 1 pm. 4-Modules: Bible Theology, Liturgical & Sacramental Theology, Systematic Theology & Spiritual Theology.
Contact: 04 2611350/2611309
(<http://www.dpinstitute.org>)

OMPH TAMIL APOSTOLATE 2nd BEC event 2015

OMPH Tamil-speaking BECs (5 areas) will be organizing a social fellowship to celebrate Mother's Day & Father's Day in conjunction with Bible Sunday on (date) Sunday, 12 July, 2015 (time) 7.30 pm – 10 pm (venue) Parish Hall.

CHOICE TAMIL Penang 24

the Penang Tamil Choice is organizing a Choice Weekend for the Tamil speaking single adults. We encourage the Tamil-speaking single adults to attend – (date) 2-5 July, 2015. (time) Thurs (7pm) – Sun. (5 pm) (venue) Church of Sts. Chastan & Imbert, Chai Leng Park, Perai.
Contact: Christina (012 5983588)
Closing date: 15 June, 2015.

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.

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

Domus St.Anne, Bukit Mertajam	29, 30, 31 May	1/5/2015
Chapel St.Chastan & Imbert, Prai	Aug. 20, 21, 22	Closing date: 1/8/2015
Church of Sacred Heart, Kampar	Nov. 20,21, 22	Closing date: 1/11/2015

