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Redemptorist Community

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

RITE OF THE 2ND SCRUTINY – (4th week of Lent) – On Sunday, 31 March, 2019 during the 8.00 a.m. Mass, our “Elect” who are continuing on the purification process, will celebrate the Rite of the Second Scrutiny focusing on purifying their spiritual blindness.

OMPH Sunday Fun-day 2019

The OMPH Catechetical ministry is organizing a Sunday Fun-day for all Sunday School Students on **Sunday, 31 March, 2019 from 9.30 am till 12 noon**. Various fun activities are planned and we urge parents & others to join and help us to make it a fun-filled day. A fun activity is also planned for parents and as such parents are welcome to participate to make the day merry.

PRAYER SERVICE – Sun. 31/3/2019

The MCCBHST Perak branch is organizing a prayer service for the victims of the massacred in Christchurch New Zealand at Church of Our Lady of Lourdes hall from 3 pm to 4.30pm. Come and pray for victims of hate crime.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, 5 April, 2019-
7.15 pm Stations of the Cross (T) in the parish hall.
7.30 pm Stations of the Cross (E) in the OMPH church followed by Mass (E).

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

In preparation for Easter, penitential service will be held in –
+ OMPH church
on **Tues. 2 April, 2019 at 8pm**
+ Church of St.Michael, Ipoh
on Wed.3April,2019.
+ Church of Our Lady of Lourdes, Silibin
on Thurs 4 April,2019.

(RCIA) **RECOLLECTION DAY** –

The Elect will gather together on **Saturday, 6 April,2019** at 9.00 a.m. with their Facilitators and their Sponsors for a day’s Retreat, preparing themselves for the reception into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil on 20/4/2019.
Let us pray with them.

RITE OF THE 3RD SCRUTINY (5th week of Lent) – On **Sunday, 7 April, 2019**

during the 8.00 a.m. Mass, our Elect who are preparing their full initiation at Easter, will celebrate the “Rite of the 3rd Scrutiny,” which highlights the saving power of Christ in setting them free. We are invited to come together with them, to pray with them and for them reminding ourselves of our need to rid ourselves of our negative values and to try to live in His love.

(Food for thought)

Gospel: John 9:1-41.

“A Light in the Darkness”

Lent is a time of peace. We know it as a "penitential season" - a time of self-denial, self-sacrifice, a time of preparation for the celebration of Easter. Yet all throughout this season, the Church constantly reminds us of the Peace of God. We are reminded of the all-encompassing peace felt by the disciples as they witnessed Christ's Transfigured glory; we shared in the peace felt by the Samaritan woman at the well as she realized that she was in the presence of God. And this week - a man born blind is made to see and to feel the comfort and peace of the Light of the World.

To be consistently persons of faith who take seriously God's promise of peace, we must be constantly nourished by Word and Sacrament. That's why the celebration of the Eucharist is so central and so indispensable to us. We come to the Table always conscious of our frailty, our infidelity, our selfishness and pride. We come as pilgrims and sinners. We come as those blind to the warmth and light of His goodness.

The mystery of God-With-Us is the final, fullest proof of God's desire to become close to us - to become a part of our very being. In Jesus, the Word becomes our flesh. Every facet of His human journey speaks to us of the nearness of God. He walked with His Father, not only in the Temple, but in the carpenter shop, at the family table, in the desert and on the mountain top. He recognized the image of the Father in the members of His family, in the townspeople of Nazareth, in the poor, the lepers, the crippled, the deaf and the blind who flocked to Him. He enfleshed the compassion of God in His reaching out to the tax collector, the prostitute, the Samaritan woman at the well, the man born blind, the thief on the cross.

The Season of Lent is a constant reminder that He continues to reach out to each and every one of us - not as a vengeful, demanding God but as Light, Hope, Comfort and Peace. We can be no less for one another.

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

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:

(March /April 2019)

- * 31/3/2019 - 8.00am - CLOW (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 10.00 am - RCIA (BM) (St. Monica Rm.)
- 11.30 am - RCIA (T) (St. Matthew Rm.)
- 3.00 pm - RCIA (E) (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 5.00 pm - OMPH choir practice (church)
- * 1/4/2019 - 7.00 pm - CCR
- * 2/4/2019 - 8.15pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew's Rm.)
- * 4/4/2019 - 8.00 pm - Tamil choir (St.Paul's Rm)
- * 5/4/2019 - 8.30 pm - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm)
- * 6/4/2019 - 9.00 am - Elects Day of Recollection (St.Mark's Rm./v.Francis Xavier)
- * 7/4/2019 - 10.00 am - RCIA (BM) (St. Monica Rm.)
- 11.30 am - RCIA (T) (St. Matthew Rm.)
- 1.00 pm - PHDC learning centre (3rd Fl.)
- 3.00 pm - RCIA (E) (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 8/4/2019 - 7.00 pm - CCR
- 8.00 pm - PHDC (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 9/4/2019 - 8.15pm - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Matthew's Rm.)
- * 11/4/2019 - 8.00 pm - Tamil choir (St.Paul's Rm)
- 8.00 pm - Ipoh Catholic Cemetery (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 14/4/2019 - 1.00 pm - PHDC learning centre (3rd Fl.)
- 2.00 pm - Rehearsal for Liturgical Comm. (church)
- 3.30 pm - Rehearsal for RCIA (church)

2019 COFFEE MORNINGS

- * 31/3/2019- Divine Mercy group.
- * 28/4/2019- BEC St. Joseph (E)
- * 12/5/2019- PHDC
- * 2/6/2019 – BEC St.Gerard
- * 16/6/2019 – BEC St.Francis Xavier
- * 7/4/2019 - Sun. Sch. (Form 3)
- * 5/5/2019 - BEC St.Philip.
- * 19/5/2019- Sun. Sch. (Form 4)
- * 9/6/2019 – BEC St.Philip.
- * 30/6/2019 – Eucharistic Ministers.

ETERNAL HAPPINESS TO:

+ Rosalind Joanna Wong Peck Yer departed on 21 March, 2019.

CHRISM MASS – 9 April, 2019 at Church of the Immaculate Conception, Penang. All priest will be away on 9 & 10 of April, 2019. There will be no 6.30am Mass on Wed. 10 April, 2019. Mass intentions booked will be said out-station.

PASSION SUNDAY/PALM SUNDAY – 14 April, 2014. Blessing of palm leaves outside the Parish Hall starting on Sat. 13 April @ 6.45pm and Sun 14 April @ 7.45pm followed by procession to OMPH church for the Eucharistic celebration. Please bring your own palm leaves.

REHEARSAL FOR Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Vigil
All Liturgical Ministries roster for the above celebrations and the '12 Apostles for Holy Thursday, washing of the feet' are requested to be present on Sunday, 14 April, 2019 @ 2.00 pm in Church.

REHEARSAL FOR THE RCIA "Elects" on Sun. 14 April, 2019 at 3.30 p.m. in church. Please be present.

EUPHRASIA – THE MUSICAL
 The Good Shepherd Sisters will stage EUPHRASIA-THE MUSICAL on the life of St.Mary Euphrasia their foundress, told in song and dance. It will be held at Auditorium RTM in Ipoh on Fri. 3 May and Sat. 4 May, 2019 at 8.00 pm on both nights. Proceeds will go towards supporting the charitable works of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Malaysia. Tickets are on sale now.
 For more information please call 012 508 8818.

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 SATURDAY** AT 11.00 A.M. – 12 NOON in the Meditation room.

OMPH CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL
 Come join us in our Praise & Worship
 * Every Tuesday at 8.00 pm (T)
 * Every Wednesday at 8.00 pm (E).

EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED 2019
 Couples planning to get married in the year 2019, please take note of the EE Weekends english during the year. You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

EE121	12 – 14 July, 2019
EE122	18-20 Oct., 2019

TAMIL MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND - 2019
 Closing date for registration (T): on 1st day of each month.

Chapel St.Chastan & Imbert, Prai		August 24,25,26
Domus St.Anne, Bukit Mertajam	May 23, 24, 25	November 22, 23, 24

Please see your Parish Priest for registration.