



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
Redemptorist Community

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

CLERGY OUTING

Fr. Joseph Stephen will be away from 17 till 20 of July, 2017. In his absence, Assistant Parish Priest, Fr. Paul Kee will be responsible for the parish. Kindly contact Fr. Paul Kee for any pastoral assistance.

NEW-INTAKE for "ADULT ENQUIRY TO THE CATHOLIC FAITH"

RCIA Session on Sunday, 16 July, 2017

* Ssn. in English @ 3.00 pm till 5.00pm in St. Mark's room.

* Ssn. in BM @ 10 am in St. Monica's Rm.

* Ssn. in Tamil @ 11.30 am in Wallace Rm.

* Ssn. in Mandarin on Fri. 21 July, 2017 at 8.30 pm in Wallace room.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

YOUTH FORMATION # 5 for

Secondary catechism children will take place on

(date) Sunday 23 July, 2017

(time) 10am to 12 noon

YOUTH ACTIVITY

for 13 years old and above.

Come and join the youth every Sunday for games & bible sharing session from 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm in the church compound.

Please bring your bible along.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

– Sunday, 27 August, 2017 @ 7.30pm.

All Councilors, please take note.

ME Weekend (E)

Marriage Encounter (ME) I designed to give married couples the opportunity to improve the couple relationship; acquire the technique of communication between husband and wife; to enrich their marriage and to strengthen their love for each other. There will be a ME weekend in English (3day 2 night) to be held on 1-3 of September, 2017. Any couples who are interested to strengthen their marriage relationship are encouraged to register with us.

(date) 1-3/09/2017

(venue) Red Crescent Hall, Ipoh.

(time) Fri. (1/9) @ 8pm and end on

Sun (3/9) at 6.30 pm

Contact: Simon & Mary 012 5013623/

Steven & Margaret 012 5015693.

"For I am the Lord who heals you."

Come and experience the healing grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ @ our Eucharistic celebration on

(date) Wednesday 20 September, 2017

(time) 7.30 pm

(venue) O.M.P.H. Church, Ipoh Gdn.

A TALK ON HUMAN TRAFFICKING

A presentation on Human Trafficking a

Global issue by Dr. Sheila Michael on

(date) Sunday, 6 August, 2017

(time) 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm

(venue) OMPH Parish hall.

If you are interested please register at the parish office. Tea provided & a love offering will be taken up.

All are welcome.

(Food for thought)

Gospel: Matthew 13: 1-23.

"Seeds and Good ground"

Jesus mission on earth was to announce the Good News. He spent the brief period of His public life speaking about the kingdom of God - but always in images that the simplest of people could understand. We hear Him speak of seeds and harvest, of good and bad fruit, of faithful and worthless servants, of prodigal sons and good Samaritans, of fish in the sea and birds in the air. He used all of these images to plant the truth of God's love into the minds and hearts of people - not just those who lived during His lifetime, but for those who would read or hear His words in future ages - and especially for us, today.

Having "good ground" really means being open to and aware of the presence of God. It means letting go of so many of the thoughts and cares that seem so important, and making room for the power and love of God. The seed may never take root, because we become arid with worry; it may be choked to death by our worldly and selfish concerns. It may be scattered to the winds by the relentless whirlwind of activity that we engage in. Only in the good ground of a person who lives each day in faith and love will the seed of God's Word bring forth the harvest of holiness and happiness that He intends.

The Father continues to pour out His gifts in abundance, providing food for our bodies, and for our souls. He certainly continues to sow the seed of His Word, scattering it lavishly, through the printed word multiplying copies of the Scriptures, of inspirational and doctrinal reading, of magazines and pamphlets and books on every subject imaginable. There are the daily and weekly homilies in our Churches, the Bible Study groups, the prayer groups, the support groups, all studying, reflecting, sharing the message of the Word.

For Matthew, faith is a gift; but **there is no genuine faith unless it is translated into decisive action.** We have to ask, then, what happens to this gift. Does it come to maturity and bear fruit? Does it enrich and change our lives and the world we live in? Where are the signs of a rich harvest?

I guess it all depends on what do we do with the gift. *"Blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear."*

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

WEDDING BANNS: (2nd Publication)

* *Justin John Papu & Abigail Kwang Cheng Yee.*

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

WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY -

* Oliven Cavion Roy, Oliver Clever Roy; Carlos Janting anak Colin, Claudia Cqueenweina Casinda anak Colin; Florinsirah Alfrid, Alexander Wellfred Joelson Alfrid, Charles Wellfred Jefrison Alfrid; Joyce Fency anak Thaddeus, Frederick Andy anak Thaddeus.

They were baptized on Sunday, 9 July, 2017.

Congratulations to their parents and godparents.

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:

(July 2017)

- * 16/7/2017 - 10.00am - PHDC distribution rations (Wallace hse.)
- 11.30am - RCIA (T) (Wallace Rm.)
- 11.30 am - Tamil Liturgy (St.Paul's Rm.)
- 11.30 am - Altar Servers (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- 1.40pm - PHDC Learning Centre (3rd Floor)
- 2.00 pm - St.Cecilia choir practice (church)
- 3.00 pm - RCIA (E) (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 17/7/2017 - 7.00 pm - CCR (Meditation Rm.)
- * 18/7/2017 - 8.15 pm - Legion of Mary (C) (Matthew Rm.)
- * 20/7/2017 - 8.00 pm - Ipoh Catholic Cemetery Committee (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 21/7/2017 - 8.00 pm - RCIA (C) (Wallace Rm.)
- 8.00 pm - Tamil Choir (St.Paul's Rm.)
- * 22/7/2017 - 5.00 pm - Alpha (C) (Francis Xavier,Wallace Rm.)
- * 23/7/2017 - 11.30 am - Primary Sunday Catechism Teachers (St.Mark's Rm.)
- 11.30am - RCIA (T) (Wallace Rm.)
- 1.40pm - PHDC Learning Centre (3rd Floor)
- 2.00 pm - St.Cecilia choir practice (church)
- 3.00 pm - RCIA (E) (St.Mark's Rm.)
- * 27/7/2017 - 8.00 pm - Area Coordinators, Representatives (St.Mark's Rm.)

BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERING:

- * 16/7/2017 - 6.00 pm - BEC St.Benedict; Home of Francis & Laurel Chan.
- * 20/7/2017 - 8.00 pm - BEC St.Joseph (C).
- * 21/7/2017 - 8.00 pm - BEC St.Francis De Sales; Home of Lawrence & Patricia.

2017 COFFEE MORNINGS

- * 16/7/2017 - BEC St. Matthew (Pauline) * 23/7/2017 - BEC St.Alphonsus (Eugene Chow)
- * 30/7/2017 - BEC St.Francis De Sales.

ETERNAL HAPPINESS TO: + Teresa Chen Chin Moy departed on 11 July, 2017

EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED 2017

Couples planning to get married in the year 2017, please take note of the EE Weekends english during the year.

You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

EE 112	18-20 Aug 2017
EE113	10-12 Nov 2017

Please see your Parish Priest for registration.

CHOICE Penang Weekends 2017

CHOICE is a Weekend live-in experience for Single Adults (21-40 years) developed through the generosity of selfless love of the Worldwide Marriage Encounter Family.

Choice Weekend in TAMIL in Perak

Open to young men and women who are Single and above 21 years old. This program is to designed stimulating experience in personal relation-ships, seeks to import a sense of belonging, mission and purpose in life, it is an exploration of relationships and creates a growing depth of trust and communication. (date) 3 August, 2017 (7pm till 6 August (4pm) Stay-in program

(venue) La Salle Center, Ipoh.
(contact) Rinah 016 6747713/Prema 016 5169217/Vincent 012 7475697.

Choice Mandarin Weekend #7

(date & time) Fri. 11 Aug., 7pm - Sun 13 Aug., 7pm
(venue) St.Anne's Domus, BM, Penang.
Contact: Jessica (0165190243)/ Scott (017 5757373)

Choice Weekend in English organized by Choice Penang
(date) Fri 27 - Sun 29 of October, 2017.
(venue) Domus St.Anne, Bukit Mertajam
Contact: Geraldine (012 4120318)
Audrey (016 4407675)

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)

TAMIL MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND - 2017

Domus St.Anne, Bukit Mertajam	17,18,19 November	Closing date on 1st day of each month
Chapel St.Chastan & Imbert, Prai	25,26,27 August	Closing date: on 1st day of each month

LIVE STREAMING FOR THE FEAST OF ST.ANNE, Bukit Mertajam

(date) Sat. 29 July, 2017
(time) 8.00 pm
Follow the live-streaming on:
www.youtube.com/user/liveonlinepenang