

"Modern society will find no solution to the ecological problem unless it takes a serious look at its lifestyle".

St John Paul II

# SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Amos 8: 4-7 Psalm 112: 1-2, 4-8

1 Timothy 2: 1-8

Luke 16: 1-13 (or 10-13)

The first reading today shows us how the Lord hears the "cry of the poor" and calls those who "crush the poor" to accountability. Today's climate emergency is the result of an inequitable economic system that makes the rich richer and the poor poorer. It is a violent, extractive, oppressive and inherently unjust system. Multinational companies and rich countries 'rule' the world with power, money and technology while failing to take accountability for the fact that they have been the biggest contributors to global heating. Pope Francis identifies these as the structural causes of the global ecological crisis which are rooted in selfishness and an insatiable quest for power and wealth (Laudato Si' Chap. 3).

Poor nations in the Global South suffering the worst impacts of climate change while having contributed little to the problem is tantamount to "crushing the poor". More than 91% of deaths caused by climate-related disasters of the past 50 years occurred in developing countries.

In today's Gospel, we are told that we cannot serve both God and money. What does that mean in today's ecological context? For those of us who live in cities, we need to consider if our lifestyles are truly ecological or are perpetuating an inequitable, wasteful economic system that adversely impacts the poor and the planet. Cities only cover 2% of the world's land surface, but consume over 75% of the planet's material resources. They account for around 75% of global energy consumption and 70% of global greenhouse gas emissions.

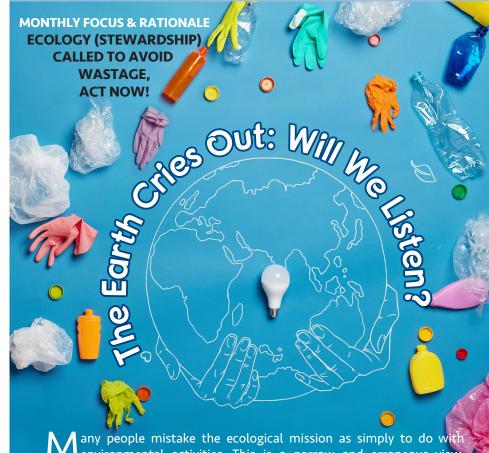
Look at our consumption and waste patterns. How much is bought and thrown away? Are energy and water being saved? Are the 7Rs being practised (Refuse, Reduce, Reuse, Repurpose, Recycle, Redesign and Regenerate)? Are any actions being taken to build Earth resilience like clean-ups, local-tree planting, advocacy and biodiversity conservation? Urbanites need to take ecological accountability if they are to hear the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor with a sincere and contrite heart. Every decision makes a difference. •

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any people mistake the ecological mission as simply to do with environmental activities. This is a narrow and erroneous view. Ecology has to do with the relationships between humans and their natural, social and built environments. In *Laudato Si'* #49, Pope Francis writes, "Today, however, we have to realize that a true ecological approach always becomes a social approach; it must integrate questions of justice in debates on the environment, so as to hear both the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor." His Holiness makes it very clear that the ecological mission is one of justice for both people and nature.



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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

## SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER MONTH OF ROSARY

#### Starting Rosary month -

Wed. 1st Oct.,2025 No 7.00 a.m. Mass. 7.30 p.m. Rosary followed by Mass at 8.00 p.m.

Weekdays – Rosary at 6.40 a.m. Mass at 7.00 a.m.

Saturdays – Rosary at 7.00 a.m. Mass at 7.30 a.m.

Sundays – Rosary at 7.30 a.m. Mass at 8.00 a.m. (E)

- Rosary at 9.30 a.m. Mass at 10 a.m. (T)
- Rosary at 11.10 a.m. Mass at 11.30 a.m. (C)

#### Closing Rosary month -

Fri. 31<sup>st</sup> Oct.,2025 No 7.00 a.m. Mass. 7.30 p.m. Rosary followed by Mass at 8.00 p.m.

### PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

(date) Sun. 21 Sept.,2025 (time) 7.00 p.m (venue) St. Mark's Rm.

### THANKS TO B.E.Cs from Ipoh Garden East.

At the meeting held on 15 Sept.,2025; it was decided that Ipoh Garden East BECs, will be formed into two groups – St. Matthew and St. John. Their monthly meeting will be held in the parish hall beginning in the month of October, 2025.

#### **SPECIAL EVENT**

On Friday, 26 September, 2025; Our Vice-Provincial, Rev. Fr. Ino,CSsR will be in our Parish to celebrate the Eucharist at 8.00 p.m. to honour three (3) of our Parishioners who were made Oblates of Redemptorist.

#### PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS: (Sept./Oct 2025) \* 21/9/2025 - 7.00 p.m. - Parish Pastoral Council (St.Mk.Rm.) \* 22/9/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Group study(C) (Gospel of Mark) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 22/9/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - PAT re.- Parish Assembly (St.Mk.Rm.) \* 23/9/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Mt.Rm.) \* 24/9/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - PST re.:Christmas fmly. market(St.Mk.Rm.) \* 25/9/2025 - 7.30 p.m. - RCIA (E) (St.Mk. Rm.) - 8.00 p.m. – RCIA (BM) (Wallace Rm.) - 8.00 p.m. - Tamil Choir (St.Paul Rm.) \* 25/9/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Area Coordinators (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 26/9/2025 – 8.00 p.m - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 30/9/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Mt.Rm.) \* 2/10/2025 - 7.30 p.m. – RČIA (E) (St.Mk. Rm.) - 8.00 p.m. - RCIA (BM) (Wallace Rm.) \* 3/10/2025 – 8.00 p.m - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 7/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Mt.Rm.) \* 7/10/2025 – 8.00 p.m. – Liturgical Com. (St.Mk.Rm.) \* 8/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Chinese Apostolate (St.Mk.Rm.) \* 9/10/2025 - 7.30 p.m. – RCIA (E) (St.Mk. Rm.) - 8.00 p.m. – RCIA (BM) (Wallace Rm.) \* 10/10/2025 - 6.00 p.m - Ablaze (St.Mk.Rm.) \* 10/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 13/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Group study(C) (Gospel of Mark) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 14/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Mt.Rm.) \* 16/10/2025 - 7.30 p.m. - RCIA (E) (St.Mk. Rm.) - 8.00 p.m. - RCIA (BM) (Wallace Rm.) \* 17/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 27/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Group study(C) (Gospel of Mark) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.) \* 28/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m. - Legion of Mary (C) (St.Mt.Rm.) \* 30/10/2025 - 7.30 p.m. - RCIA (E) (St.Mk. Rm.) - 8.00 p.m. – RCIA (BM) (Wallace Rm.) \* 31/10/2025 - 8.00 p.m - RCIA (C) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)

#### SEPTEMBER COFFEE MORNINGS:

- 21/9/2025 - Tamil Liturgy

- 28/9/2025 - BEC St.Gerard (T)

#### **BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERING:**

\* 28/9/2025 – 6.00 p.m. – BEC St.Alphonsus Liguori (Cafeteria)

ommunity L All B.E.C. leaders, please take note that the Parish is trying to revive the B.E.C.s of all language groups.

Kindly inform the parish office to insert into the bulletin of your BEC monthly meetings.

**Next meeting: 25/9/2025** 

#### **EVENING FOR THE ENGAGED** 2025.

**Please see your Parish Priest** for registration.

	EE145	7-9 Nov 2025		
Couples planning to get married				
in the year 2025, please take note of				
the EE Weekends held				
in <b>english</b> during the year.				

#### For Tamil marriage preparation course **2025** -

Dormitory	
St.Anne, Bukit	Nov 15 & 16
Mertajam. Church of	Nov 15 & 16 (Closing date on:
St.Anthony, Nibong	1st day of each month)
Tebal.	,

#### Please see your Parish Priest for registration.

You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend Please see your Parish Priest for registration.

#### 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.

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

#### MARRIAGE:

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

#### **WEDDING BANNS:**

Charles Hiliary Raj & Charlene Maavithra

#### Kursus pra-perkahwinan dalam BM

Tarikh: 4 -5 Oktober 2025 Tempat: Domus, Minor Basilika St. Anne Bukit Mertajam Untuk pertanyaan dan maklumat lanjut sila hubungi; Sr. Lucynia-0107966882 Sr. Florence -0128484158 Byron - 0135950232 Tarikh tutup penyertaan: 29 Sept 2025. Sila imbas/"scan"

untuk pendaftaran secara online

#### **FUND RAISING FOR St. Mary's** Chapel, Kg. Tersusun, Ulu Kinta.

Dear Parishioners. Our chapel in Ulu Kinta is in need of funds to repair the roof of the chapel. It cost RM100,000/-. We are launching a project called "Buy A Brick". Each brick cost RM10/-. To-date we have collected RM75,000/-. Kindly help us to raise the needed fund. God bless you.

(Fr. Joseph Stephen, Parish priest)

#### **MAJOR PROJECTS** IN O.M.P.H

1. OMPH Community Hall Replacement of Roof tiles

#### Scope of Work:

Remove exiting cement roof tiles of OMPH Community Hall and Wisma Liquori and replace with specified metal deck roofina.

Contractor responsibility includes having to coordinate with Solar Panel Vendor on timing of removing existing solar panels (before roof replacement) and re-installing (after roof replacement) of existing Solar Panels.

Tender Open: 23 Sept., 2025 Tender closing: 15 Oct 2025

Tender forms will be available in OMPH Parish office from 23 Sept.,2025. For further details, please

- Mr Gregory Wong (012 5010777 or

contact

- Mr Leslie D'Silva (017 5735460)

**SCHEDULE:** For MASS, DEVOTIONS and PRAYER MEETINGS. **(21 September 2025)** (Mass at 8.00 a.m. if it is a PUBLIC HOLIDAY)

(All in English unless stated otherwise.)

SUN.21 TWENTY-FIFTH SUN. IN ORD TIME

8.00 a.m Mass (E) 10.00 a.m. Mass (T)

11.30 a.m Mass (C)

MON.22 25th Week in Ord. Time (Wk 1)

7.00 a.m. Mass

TUES. 23 25th Week in Ord. Time (Wk 1)/St.Pius of Pietrelcina

7.00 a.m. Mass.

WED. 24 25th Week in Ord. Time (Wk 1)

7.00 a.m. Mass.

THURS.25 25th Week in Ord. Time (Wk 1)

7.00 a.m. Mass

FRI. 26 25th Week in Ord. Time (Wk1)SS.Cosmas & Damian

No 7.00 a.m. Mass. **8.00 p.m. Mass.** 

SAT.27 25th Week in Ord. Time/ (Wk 1)/St.Vincent de Paul/B.V.M

7.30 a.m Mass. (Novena intentions)

9.00 a.m Novena devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help. (church)

5.00 p.m Novena devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help. (church)

5.45 p.m Mass.

SUN.28 TWENTY-SIXTH SUN. IN ORD TIME / World Day of Migrant &

Refuges

8.00 a.m Mass (E)

10.00 a.m. Mass (T)

11.30 a.m Mass (C)

#### ST. MARY'S CHAPEL, KG. TERSUSUN -

- Sun. 21/9/2025 - 8.00 a.m. Mass in Tamil.

**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION:** 21/9/2025 – For the parish maintenance.

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DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

(WEEKEND READINGS::::: Year C) (WEEKDAY READINGS ::::: Year 1)

SUNDAY 21 (21 September – 28 September, 2025)

(a) Am 8: 4-7. (Ps 112: 1-2, 4-8)

(b) 1 Tim 2: 1-8

(c) Lk 16: 1-13 (or 10-13)

MONDAY 22 (a) Ezr 1: 1-6. (Ps 125: 1-6)

(b) Lk 8: 16-18

TUESDAY 23 (a) Ezr 6: 7-8, 12, 14-20. (Ps 121: 1-5)

(b) Lk 8: 19-21

WEDNESDAY 24 (a) Ezr 9: 5-9. (Ps Tob 13: 2,4, 6-8)

(b) Lk 9: 1-6

THURSDAY 25 (a) Hag 1: 1-8. (Ps 149: 1-6, 9)

(b) Lk 9: 7-9

FRIDAY 26 (a) Hag 1: 15 – 2: 9. (Ps 42: 1-4)

(b) Lk 9: 18-22

SATURDAY 27 (a) Zec 2: 5-9, 14-15. (Ps Jer 31: 10-13)

(b) Lk 9: 43-45

SUNDAY 28 (28 September – 5 October, 2025)

(a) Am 6: 1, 4-7. (Ps 145: 6-10)

(b) 1 Tim 6: 11-16

(c) Lk 16: 19-31