



Parents are to be honoured, not with mere feelings but with concrete action, patience and care, particularly in old age. This honour is seen as a spiritual act of just living and filial piety. We learn that a family is to be a sanctuary of mutual support, and the home is where ties are strengthened through duty and reverence.

The Holy Family exemplifies all the virtues mentioned. The gospel speaks of the flight to Egypt and the family becoming refugees, facing uncertainties. Mary and Joseph's unshakeable trust in God and His Providence help them overcome all odds, and eventually to settle down in Nazareth.

Today, more than ever, we face the stark realities of dysfunctional families. Dysfunction arises from a breakdown in the virtues rooted in the Holy Family, and it exists on a wide spectrum. On the list are broken trust and betrayal, ineffective communication leading to crisis, pressure which leads to financial strain, addiction, mental challenges and the list go on. Lest we think it is too tall an order to emulate the Holy Family, St Paul gives us bite-size advices in his letter to the Colossians.

First, he says to put on compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another. These virtues are synergistic and they exist not in isolation but that one virtue builds on another. Thomas Aquinas teaches us that the moral life is not a series of isolated actions but an interconnected web of good habits, where fruitfulness in one area fuels growth in another.

Let the Word of God dwell in us richly, as we teach and admonish one another in good faith, putting on love, the bond of perfection so that the peace of Christ will control our hearts and reign in us. Journeying together as families is a lifelong process, but so long as we remain faithful and respectful; spouses toward each other, children honouring parents, we will have the strength to face life's challenges, come what may.

Blessed the holy families who fear the Lord and walk his ways.✙

Blessed are the merciful, they shall have mercy shown them.

Matthew 5: 7

**SCRIPTURE**  
of the DAY

Ecclesiasticus 3: 2-6, 12-14

Psalms 127: 1-5

Colossians 3: 12-21

Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23

# NEWBEC

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph | 28 December 2025

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING AS PILGRIMS OF HOPE

**MONTHLY FOCUS & RATIONALE:**  
**CHURCH (MERCIFUL)**  
**CALLED TO FOSTER A SENSE OF BELONGING AND EMPOWERMENT TO EVANGELISE**

**Reverence & Honour in Families**

Today, we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, where Jesus, the Blessed Mother, and St Joseph are honoured as the holiest of families, and therefore a model for us. The reading from Sirach (Ecclesiasticus) lays the foundation. It gives precise and practical guidelines for family life.



**PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**

**Redemptorist Community**

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*The Parish Priest, Assistant Parish Priest,*

*and the Redemptorist Community*

*extend heartfelt wishes to all*

*Parishioners of O.M.P.H.,*

*together with Visitors and Friends,*

*for God's abundant blessings*

*throughout the New Year 2026.*

*(Parish Priest)*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE**

(date) **Wed. 31 Dec.,2025**

(time)

10.30 p.m. Year-end Prayer Service.

11.00 p.m. Th. Mass.

We invite all worshippers who are coming for the Year-End Service and Mass; kindly bring along a plate of finger food for our fellowship after Mass. You can place the food at the cafeteria before mass.

**CLOSING OF JUBILEE YEAR**

Date: Sun. 28/12/2025

Combined language Mass

@ 5.30 p.m. in church

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

(date) **Thurs. 1 January, 2026.**

(time) Rosary @ 7.30 a.m.

Mass at 8.00 a.m. ( E )

Mass at 10.00 a.m. ( T )

**PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS: (Dec.2025)/JAN 2026**

- \* 28/12/2025 - 9.15 a.m. - Sun.Sch. (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 30/12/2025 - 7.00 p.m. - Sunset Choir practise (church)
- \* 30/12/2025 - 8.00 p.m. – Legion of Mary ( C ) (St.Mt.Rm.)
- \* 6/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. – Legion of Mary ( C ) (St.Mt.Rm.)
- \* 7/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. - Caritas OMPH (St.Mk.Rm.)
- \* 7/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. - Chinese Apostolate (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 8/1/2026 - 7.30 p.m. - RCIA ( E ) (St.Mk.Rm.)
- - RCIA (BM) (Wallace Rm.)
- \* 9/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. - RCIA ( C ) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 10/1/2026 - 9.00 a.m. - Chinese Lit. Formation program (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 10/1/2026 - 10.00 a.m. - Infant Baptism Session & Rehearsal (St.Mk.Rm.)
- \* 13/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. – Legion of Mary ( C ) (St.Mt.Rm.)
- \* 15/1/2026 - 7.30 p.m. - RCIA ( E ) (St.Mk.Rm.)
- - RCIA (BM) (Wallace Rm.)
- \* 16/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. - RCIA ( C ) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 17/1/2026 - 8.00 a.m. - Chinese Apostolate (Deaery mtg.) (ven Francis Xavier Rm.)
- \* 27/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. – Legion of Mary ( C ) (St.Mt.Rm.)
- \* 27/1/2026 - 8.00 p.m. - Liturgical Comm. (St.Mk.Rm.)

**DECEMBER 2025/JANUARY 2026 COFFEE MORNINGS:**

- 28/12/2025 - PPC
- 4/1/2026 - Chinese Apostolate
- 18/1/2026 - Maintenance Team
- 25/1/2026 - Youth Ministry

**ETERNAL HAPPINESS TO:**

- + Joshua Ryan Lopez departed on 19 December, 2025.
- + Joanna Sin Kum Lan departed on 20 December, 2025.



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.

**BAPTISM:** Please contact the Parish Priest at least **ONE MONTH** in advance.  
Next Infant Baptism:  
11 January 2026 at 7.45 a.m.

### **WE WELCOME TO OUR COMMUNITY**

\* Riana Ellisar d/o Steven Dassa Robert Dass & Dian Ellisar Augustine  
\* Dezsrenaa Gobinath d/o Gobinath Silverm & Martina Yvenette.  
Congratulations to their parents & godparents. They were baptized on 21 December, 2025.

### **MARRIAGE:**

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

### **WEDDING BANNS:**

\* Janice Davina a/p Pannir Selvam & Arvind a/l Kaneson  
\* Christopher a/l Phillips & Eeragani a/p Perumal

### **Tamil Catholic Marriage Preparatory Course 2026 (TCMPC)**

1. Feb Fri 20 to Sun 22
2. May Fri 8 to Sun 10
3. Aug Fri 21 to Sun 23
4. Nov Fri 6 to Sun 8  
(venue) Domus St.Anne, B.M

### **ADORATION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

– 1st Fri. of each month.  
(date) Friday, 2 January, 2026  
(time) 7.00 p.m. followed by Mass at 8.00 p.m.  
(There will be no 7 a.m. Mass)

### **RENEWAL OF COMMITMENT of MINISTRIES**

- \* English speaking ministries on Sat. 10/1/2026 & Sun. 11/1/2026.
- \* Tamil speaking ministries on Sun. 11/1/2026 at 10 a.m.
- \* Chinese speaking Ministries on Sun. 11/1/2026 t 11.30 a.m.

### **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

(date) **Sun. 18 Jan.,2026**  
(time) 8.00 a.m. Mass.  
Cardinal Bishop Sebastian Francis will be the celebrant for the event. Come and pray for our students who will be confirmed on that day.

### **NEW REGISTRATION & PARENTS SESSION on Sun. 18 January, 2026.**

**Registration for catechism Std. 1 (and other new) registration, must submit a copy of the baptism certificate during registration.**

Those who are currently with OMPH catechism do not need to submit a copy of their baptism certificate.

### **Registration FEE & BOOK**

Primary – RM30/-.  
Secondary – RM35/-.

### **PARENTS' SESSION -**

Meeting of all parents with the child's class Teacher on **Sun 18 Jan,2026 @ 10a.m**

**SCHEDULE:** For MASS, DEVOTIONS and PRAYER MEETINGS.  
(28 December, 2025) (Mass at 8.00 a.m. if it is a PUBLIC HOLIDAY)  
(All in *English* unless stated otherwise.)

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**SUN.28 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH (Year A)**

8.00 a.m. Mass (E)  
10.00 a.m. Mass (T)  
11.30 a.m. Mass (C)  
5.30 p.m. Combined Language Mass (Closing Jubilee Year)

**MON.29 FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS/St.Thomas**

**Becket**

7.00 a.m. Mass

**TUES.30 SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**

7.00 a.m. Mass.

**WED.31 SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**

7.00 a.m. Mass.  
10.30 p.m. Year-End Prayer service. 11.00 p.m. Mass.

**THURS.1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

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

**FRI.2 Weekday of Christmas Time (Wk1)/SS.Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen**

No 7.00 a.m. Mass.

7.00 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. 8.00 p.m. Mass.

**SAT.3 Weekday of Christmas Time (Wk1)/The Most Holy Name of Jesus/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. (E)

**SUN.4 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (Year A)**

8.00 a.m. Mass (BM)  
10.00 a.m. Mass (T)  
11.30 a.m. Mass (C)

**ST.MARY'S CHAPEL, TERSUSUN**

\* Sun. 4/1/2026 - 8.00 a.m. - Mass in Tamil.  
\* Sun. 11/1/2026 - 8.00 a.m. - Mass in Tamil.

**2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION:** 28/12/2025 - For Formation programs.

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**DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS**

**(WEEKEND READINGS:::: Year A) (WEEKDAY READINGS :::: Year 2)**

SUNDAY 28 (28 December, 2025 – 4 January, 2026)  
(a) Ecclus 3: 2-6, 12-14. (Ps 127: 1-5)  
(b) Col 3: 12-21  
(c) Mt 2: 13-15, 19-23

MONDAY 29 (a) 1 Jn 2: 3-11. (Ps 95: 1-3, 5-6)  
(b) Lk 2: 22-35

TUESDAY 30 (a) 1 Jn 2: 12-17. (Ps 95: 7-10)  
(b) Lk 2: 36-40

WEDNESDAY 31 (a) 1 Jn 2: 18-21. (Ps 95: 1-2, 11-13)  
(b) Jn 1: 1-18

THURSDAY 1 (a) Num 6: 22-27. (Ps 66: 2-3, 5-6, 8)  
(b) Gal 4: 4-7  
(c) Lk 2: 16-21

FRIDAY 2 (a) 1 Jn 2: 22-28. (Ps 97: 1-4)  
(b) Jn 1: 19-28

SATURDAY 3 (a) 1 Jn 2: 29 – 3: 6. (Ps 97: 1, 3-6)  
(b) Jn 1: 29-34. or  
(a) Phil 2: 1-11. (Ps 8: 4-9)  
(b) Lk 2: 21-24

SUNDAY 4 (4 January – 11 January, 2026)  
(a) Is 60: 1-6. (Ps 71: 1-2, 7-8, 10-13)  
(b) Eph 3: 2-3, 5-6  
(c) Mt 2: 1-12