

PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP Redemptorist Community

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

TENDERS FOR RENOVATION AT ST. MARY'S CHAPEL, TERSUSUN

Interested Parishioners are invited to tender for the following projects –

- 1) completion of the church hall.
- 2) drainage system
- 3) Front & Rear awnings.

Closing date for Tenders: 31 December, 2015. Please collect your tender form at the parish office & contact Peter James (013 5101378). Only successful applicants will be notified for the calling of Tender.

OMPH PARISH MINISTRIES RETREAT

The Parish is organizing a retreat for all the ministries on

(date) **Sunday, 3 January, 2016.** (venue) The Haven Lakeside Resort, Ipoh. (time)

11.00 am to 4.00 pm (English-speaking) 12.00 noon to 4.00pm(Tamil-speaking) 1.30 pm -5 pm (Chinese-speaking)

Lunch & Tea will be provided.

Parishioners who have registered for the Retreat, you are required to submit your full name, IC no., and the car registration number entering into Haven resort; at the parish office by 20 Dec.,2015. Fellowship dinner will be in the OMPH parish hall @ 7 pm.

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

In preparation for Christmas, penitential services will be held at the following churches:

OMPH church, Ipoh Gdn.

(date) Wed. 16 December, 2015 (time) 8.00 pm

Church of St.Michael, Ipoh

(date) Thurs. 17 December, 2015 (time) 8.00 pm

Church of Our Lady of Lourdes (date) Friday, 18 December, 2015

(time) 7.30 pm

33 Days to morning glory retreat.....

This Retreat (5 weeks) will begin on Friday, 8 January, 2016 (only once a week for 2 hrs.) at 8.00 pm in the Parish Hall.

It will end in February with the Consecration to Our Mother Mary.

Those interested may register at the OMPH Parish office together with a donation of RM32/- for book materials. We invite all parishioners for this retreat as we celebrate the 150 years of the Icon of Our Mother of Perpetual Help.



Celebrating 150 years since the Icon was handed into the care of the Redemptorists by Pope (Saint) Pius IX, in April 2016. He said to them 'Make Her known to the world!',- and Redemptorists have been doing that ever since that day.

Why should we 'Make Her known to the world'? Because Mary of Nazareth, the woman from that village in Palestine, consented to become the Mother of the Saviour,- 'the Child to be born of you will be called Son of the Most High'. And Mary responded, as every disciple is invited to, 'Let it be done to me according to your word!' Her 'Yes' was wholehearted and total, for life. Was it easy? Not at all. As her son's life unfolded over the years, she had to walk in faith in the promises made to Her. What Paul, the Apostle, said about Her Son, applies also to Mary: she 'was tempted in all things, but without sin.'

Mary is the greatest disciple, and is a mirror for the whole people of God, the whole church. She had a listening ear, a listening heart, listening to the Word of God, in Her Son and in Her own heart. 'Do whatever he tells you', she said to the servants at Cana (John 2). And then she stood by the foot of the Cross of Her Son, with all the brokenness and pain of a mother, and yet obedient to the end. Later, gathered with the twelve Apostles, and with other disciples, men and women, she was in prayer for the Promise of the Father, the Holy Spirit, and was there when the Spirit came upon that first gathering with great power. We are told in the Scriptures that John, the beloved disciple, 'took her into his own home'.

MARRIAGE:

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

WEDDING BANNS: (2nd Publication)

* Christopher Martin & Annusha Lee.

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

PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS.

(December 2015)

PANISHAU	(December, 2013)	
* 13/12/2015	- 11.15 am – Tamil Apostolate	(St.Paul's Rm.)
	- 11.30 am - RCIA (T)	(St. Matthew, Senali Rm.)
	- 11.30 am - Catechists/Faith Educators	(St.Mark's Rm.)
	- 3.00 pm - RCIA(E)	(St.Mark's Rm.)
	- 8.00 pm - St. Augustine choir practice	(church)
* 19/12/2015	- 10.00 am - PHDC packing of food rations	(Wallace hse.)
* 20/12/2015	- 10.00 am - PHDC Distribution of food rations	,
	- PHDC Christmas buffet lunch treat for F.I.NS	(Wallace hse)
	- 8.00 pm - St. Augustine choir practice	(church)

BIBLE REFLECTION/HOME-GATHERINGS:

* 13/12/2015 - 5.00 pm - BEC St. Philip. (Carolling)

(All breakfast will go on till 11.30 a.m.) **COFFEE MORNINGS 2016:**

- 10/1/2016 BEC St.Philip.
- 17/1/2016 Lectors & Commentators.
- 24/1/2016 St.Peregrine group.
- 31/1/2016 BEC St. Augustine.

CARDLLING

CAROLLERS OF O.M.P.H. will be visiting homes to bring Christmas joy and glad tidings to one and all starting on

Sun. 20, Mon. 21, Tues. 22 December, 2015

To welcome the spirit if Christmas, please fill the request form at the parish office or contact – Christopher (017 5785 223)

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

O.M.P.H. Church:-

Thurs. 24/12/15 (Christmas Midnight)

* 7.30 pm - Carols (T)

8.00 pm – Christmas Midnight Mass (T)

* 10.30 pm – Carols (E)

11.00 pm – Christmas Midnight Mass (E)

Fri. 25/12/2015 (Christmas Day)

* 8.30am – Carols (E)

9.00 am – Christmas Day Mass (E)

* 11.00 am – Christmas Day Mass (C)

St.Mary's Chapel, Tersusun

* 7.30 am – Carols (T)

8.00 am – Christmas Day Mass (T)

Rangers Camp, Tambun

* 8.00 am – Christmas Day Mass (BM)

DMPH MASS RESCHEDULED

Effective from 1 January, 2016; There will be no 8.30 am Mass on Sundays.

It will be scheduled to 8.00 am.

Please take note.

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.

ENGLISH EVENING FOR THE

ENGAGED 2016- Couples planning to get married in the year 2016, please take note of the EE Weekends which will be held in Penang Stella Maris. You are requested to register six (6) weeks before the weekend dates.

22-24 January, 2016
8-10 April, 2016
24-26 June, 2016
2-4 September, 2016
11-13 November, 2016

Please see your Parish Priest for registration.

TAMIL MARRIAGE PREPARATION WEEKEND - 2016

Stella Maris,	Feb	Closing date:				
Penang	26,27,28	1/2/2016				
Domus						
St.Anne,	27, 28,29	1/5/2016				
Bukit	May					
Mertajam	1					
Chapel	Aug.	Closing date:				
St.Chastan &	26,27,28	1/8/2016				
Imbert, Prai						
Church of	Nov.	Closing date:				
Sacred Heart,	25,26,27	1/11/2016				
Kampar						