



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
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OMPH CHARISMATIC RENEWAL PROGRAM in September

* **Wed. 14/9/2022** @ 7.30 p.m.
 (Topic) **"Prayer & Discernment In Time Of Distress"**

Praise & Worship & Teaching/sharing by Rev.Fr. Robin Lomangkok, CSsR
 All are welcome to join us.

BLOOD & ORGAN DONATION

Caritas OMPH, in conjunction with the Malaysian Medical Association, Perak branch, will be organizing a Blood & Organ Donation Campaign on (date) **Sunday, 25 Sept., 2022** (time) 8.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. (venue) OMPH parish hall
 The Blood transfusion and Organ donation Teams from Hospital Raja Permaisuri Bainun, Ipoh will be in attendance.
 In addition, there will be medical check-ups for Blood Pressure, Blood sugar and Body Mass index. Mammogram vouchers will also be given to ladies above the age of 40.

MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES:-

- * 11/9/2022 @ 11.30a.m – Tamil Apostolate (St.Mk.Rm.)
- * 11/9/2022 @ 1 p.m – Caritas OMPH tuition (3rd fl.)
- * 12/9/2022 @ 8 p.m – Chinese Apostolate (St.Mk.Rm)
- * 13/9/2022 @ 7.30pm- Caritas OMPH (St.Mk. Rm.) @ 8 p.m. – Legion of Mary (C) (hall)
- * 15/9/2022 @ 8 p.m. – Sun.Sch Faith Educators (Francis Xavier Rm.)
- * 15/9/2022 @ 8 p.m. – RCIA (E)(St. Mk. Rm.)
- * 16/9/2022 @ 10 a.m – Story Telling - Parables @ 8 p.m. – RCIA (C) (F.Xavier Rm.)
- * 18/8/2022 @ 1 p.m. – Caritas OMPH tuition (3rd fl.) @ 3 p.m. – Eucharistic Ministers
- * 19/9/2022 @ 7 p.m – CCR (E) mtg. (St.Mk.Rm.)
- * 25/9/2022 @ 8 a.m. – Blood donation (hall) @ 1 p.m. – Caritas OMPH tuition (3rd fl.) @ 3 p.m – BEC leaders & PPC

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

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

COFFEE MORNINGS Sept.2022/2023

Calling all BECs and Ministries of O.M.P.H., please be informed that coffee morning on Sundays will be resumed.
 Please book your coffee morning day as soon as possible at the parish office (05 5458220)

Coffee mornings 2022:

- * 25/9 – Sun Sch (Std. 3)
- * 16/10 – Sun. Sch (Form 4)
- * 6/11 - Eucharistic Ministers.
- * 13/11 - BEC St.Monica (T)

PROGRAMS FOR MINISTRIES –

Rev.Fr. Joseph Abraham, CSsR from India will be in our parish conducting sessions for –

* **Sun. Sch Faith Educators & RCIA facilitators**
 (date) **Fri. 16/9** from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.
 (Topic) *Story telling - Parables*

* **Eucharistic Ministers**
 (date) **Sun. 18/9** from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
 (Topic) *"Eucharist: Source & Summit of Christian Life"*

* **BEC leaders & PPC members**
 (date) **Sun. 25/9** from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.
 (Topic) *"Call to Ministry"*

Please submit the number of members attending for the sessions at the office three days before the sessions.

(food for thought) (Bulletin 11 September, 2022)

Gospel: Luke 15: 1-32. **"Starting Over"**



The Gospel Reading for this Sunday is very appropriate. Jesus tells stories about a lost sheep, a lost coin, a lost son and a loving father. These are stories of failure, repentance, forgiveness, of joy and reconciliation. They are stories of starting over - of beginning anew.

There are no more important lessons for us to learn as followers of Jesus than that of giving and accepting of forgiveness, of welcoming all of our brothers and sisters into the embrace of our community and loving as totally and as recklessly as our God has loved and accepted us. If we haven't learned that, we really haven't learned the meaning of being Christian. We seem to understand quite well the point that Jesus was trying to make. No matter how terribly we have failed, no matter how far off course we may wander, our God is ready and waiting to reach out in a loving embrace of forgiveness. All we need to do is ask.

"Starting over" brings tension into our lives. God speaks very gently to us when he continually invites us to make room for him in our lives. When we sense this invitation we find ourselves experiencing a bit of tension. The only way to make room for God - the only way to "start over" with Him - is to let go of that which may be blocking or keeping him out. To let go of the control we maintain over our lives, our desires, our goals, our plans, and our work. To let go so that the Lord can take over. To let go so that there can be room for Him. To let go, so that He may more fully and completely enter into our lives.

Starting over may be difficult, but it is worth every ounce of our being.