



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP  
**Redemptorist Community**

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**FEAST DAY OF ST. ALPHONSUS LIGUORI, Founder of Redemptorist Congregation**

There will be a Special Mass on **Tuesday, 1 August, 2017 at 8.00 pm** to celebrate the feast day of the Redemptorist. All are invited for a fellowship at St. Gerard's Cafeteria after mass.

Please take note that there will be no 6.30am Mass on 1 August.

**ADORATION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** - 1st Friday of each month

We will have Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, 4 August 2017** starting with Adoration at 7.00 pm followed by Mass at 8.00 pm. There will be no 6.30am mass.

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

RCIA Session on Sunday, 30 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. 4 Aug, 2017 at 8.30 pm in Wallace room.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING**

- Sunday, 27 August, 2017 @ 7.30pm.  
All Councilors, please take note.

**ORGANIST WANTED**

Organist wanted for St. Cecilia's Choir for Saturday sunset mass at 6.45 pm.  
Practices on Sundays at 2pm in church.

**"Worship through Songs"**

A one-day workshop by Msgr Leonard Lexon from Kuala Lumpur; on selecting appropriate hymns for the Liturgy. It is for all Liturgical ministries from all language groups (E/T/C/BM) on (date) **Thursday, 31 August, 2017** (time) 9 am till 5 pm (venue) ven Francis Xavier Room. Please register at the parish office with a donation of RM8/- which includes lunch & Tea). Parishioners who are interested in Liturgy are invited to register too. Closing date: 25 August, 2017.

**PHDC** will be conducting a session by Mr Victor Amirtham, a Lecturer from Politeknik Ungku Omar, Ipoh on Government - funded Higher Education Institutions for form 5, SPM/STPM Leavers on (date) Sunday, 6 August, 2017 (venue) AV room (time) 11.30am Register at the parish office.

**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: 44-52

*"Buried in a field..."*

In today's Gospel parable: Jesus speaks of hidden treasure and pearls of great price - sought after for many years, finally found and obtained at great cost and great risk. Thus is the nature of the Kingdom of Heaven - a treasure freely given, a gift of great value.

Our natural talents, our faith and the everyday circumstances of our life are all gifts of God - part of His investment in us. He looks for a return, with interest. He expects us to put our gifts to good use - to perfect them, to share them, to use them to renew our world according to the Gospel.

The beautiful stories of the treasure in the field and the pearl merchant point to the fact seeking the Kingdom of God and doing the will of the Father calls for total commitment. One does not simply add this pearl to a collection or simply purchase one more parcel of land. All must be sold. An absolute fresh start is to be made. The Gospel cuts into one's life and one must decide. Jesus brings compassion and healing; but he also brings a call to responsibility that is not without its consequences.

**MARRIAGE:** Please contact the Parish Priest at least SIX MONTHS in advance.  
**WEDDING BANNS:** (3<sup>rd</sup> publication)

\* *Victor Santanasamy & Maria Simon.*

**BAPTISM:** Please contact the Parish Priest at least ONE MONTH in advance.  
**Next Baptism on Sunday 3 September, 2017.**

**PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS:**

*(July/August 2017)*

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| * 30/7/2017 | - 11.30am  | - RCIA (T)                               | (Wallace Rm.)                                |
|             | - 1.40pm   | - PHDC Learning Centre                   | (3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor)                      |
|             | - 2.00 pm  | - St.Cecilia choir practice              | (church)                                     |
|             | - 3.00 pm  | - RCIA (E )                              | (St.Mark's Rm.)                              |
| * 31/7/2017 | - 7.00 pm  | - CCR                                    | (Meditation Rm.)                             |
| * 1/8/2017  | - 8.15 pm  | - Legion of Mary (C )                    | (Matthew Rm.)                                |
| * 4/8/2017  | - 8.00 pm  | - RCIA (C)                               | (Wallace Rm.)                                |
|             | - 8.00 pm  | - Tamil Choir                            | (St.Paul's Rm.)                              |
| * 5/8/2017  | - 5.00 pm  | - Alpha (C)                              | (Francis Xavier,Wallace Rm.<br>Matthew,Paul) |
| * 6/8/2017  | - 11.30am  | - RCIA (T)                               | (Wallace Rm.)                                |
|             | - 11.30 am | - Talk on Govt. funded Higher Edu. Inst. | (AV Rm.)                                     |
|             | - 2.00 pm  | - St.Cecilia choir practice              | (church)                                     |
|             | - 3.00 pm  | - RCIA (E )                              | (St.Mark's Rm.)                              |
|             | - 3.00 pm  | - "Human Trafficking"                    | (hall)                                       |
| * 7/8/2017  | - 7.00 pm  | - CCR                                    | (Meditation Rm.)                             |
|             | - 8.00 pm  | - PHDC                                   | (St.Mark's Rm.)                              |

**BIBLE REFLECTION & HOME-GATHERING:**

- \* 7/8/2017 – 7.00 pm – BEC St.Mary Magdela; Area Mass, Home of Jimmy & Annie O'Hara.
- \* 18/8/2017 -8.00 pm - BEC St. Francis De Sales; Home of Lawrence & Patricia.
- \* 25/8/2017– 8.00 pm – BEC St. Francis De Sales, Area Mass; Home of Lawrence & Patricia

**2017 COFFEE MORNINGS**

- \* 30/7/2017 – BEC St.Francis De Sales. \* 6/8/2017 – BEC St.Augustine.
- \* 13/8/2017 – RECHOSO.
- \* 20/8/2017 – BEC St. Monica. (Dass).
- \* 27/8/2017 – Children Liturgy group (CLOW)
- \* 3/9/2017 – Eucharistic Ministers
- \* 10/9/2017 – Hospitality Ministers.
- \* 17/9/2017 – Lectors & Commentators.
- \* 24/9/2017 – Fund Raising Committee.

**ETERNAL HAPPINESS TO:** + Jean Tong Chun Kim departed on 21 July, 2017.

**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.

**24 HOURS WITH BISHOP SEBASTIAN FRANCIS "LIVE-IN EXPERIENCE"**

Open to young men who are SINGLE and have completed SPM & Above. This program is designed for those interested in discovering a vocation to the priesthood and mission.

**5 August 2017 (12 noon) to 6 August 2017 (12 noon) .**

No Fee. Accommodation and food provided. Venue will be informed upon registration Those interested kindly contact: Vincent Joseph (PDPI) 04-2611350 (office hours) Monday – Friday for more information or email to [pdpi2005@gmail.com](mailto:pdpi2005@gmail.com)

**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.

**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)

**Choice Weekend in TAMIL in Perak**

(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)