



“If the devil tempts me by the thought of Divine justice, I think of God's Mercy; if he tries to fill me with presumption by the thought of His Mercy, I think of His justice.”

- St. Ignatius of Loyola

When you seek the Lord while HE may be found' YOU have to 'conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the Gospel'. So, let your response BE

- Open → In Forgiving
- Generous → In Loving
- Persistent → In Praying

Sacrifice and mercy if misapplied creates separation between God and man. If we choose mercy for ourselves and sacrifice for others, then we become quick to judge others but ready to excuse ourselves. Christ had provided the example of sacrifice for ourselves and mercy for others, hence, we should strive to go beyond our self.

Pope Francis had denounced what he described as narrow-minded believers who cling to religious laws out of fear, and warned against the hierarchical tendencies that create a “closed caste” and prevented Catholics from reaching out to those whom society and the church had rejected.

In our present social and civil context, let us be a people who build bridges of hope and not create walls of hopelessness. For this to happen, forgiveness is necessary. Our attitude should never be “You will pay for that ...”

The story of Maria Goretti forgiving her killer when she was dying brings out FORGIVENESS as the result of her good upbringing. The very fact that Alessandro, her killer was present at her canonization by Pope Pius XII in 1950 indicates that forgiveness brings about repentance, despite the killer's stubbornness. Giving the other time to repent while interceding ceaselessly is the result that HOPE is present in persistent prayer, especially when all seems lost.

Each of us have experienced moments of fatigue and discouragement, especially when our prayers seem ineffective. God answers our prayers for “Prayer is not a magic wand!” Pope Francis said. Prayer helps to preserve our faith and to Trust HIM even though we do not comprehend His will.

Prayer is about relationship with the Father. Pope Francis said, “This is what makes the prayer transform the desire and shape it according to the will of God, whatever it may be, because the person who prays first of all aspires to union with God, who is Merciful Love.”✝

Be Disciples of Hope

NEW REC

24th September 2017
 25th Sunday
 in Ordinary Time



Seek
MERCY
 that Leads to A Generous
HOPE



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DISCIPLESHIP : BE DISCIPLES OF HOPE.
Hope : Transforming Beyond Self (Sept)
Towards 170 years of the Parish of Visitation
(1848 - 2018)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
 Monday - Friday 8.30am - 5.30 pm
 Saturday : 8.30am – 7.30 pm
 Sunday: 8.30 am - 3.00 pm
Confessions in Church ½ hour
before all Weekend Masses at availability of priests 1/2 hour before all Weekend Masses at availability of priests



OUR PROGRAMME THIS 23 SEPTEMBER – 01 OCTOBER 2017

25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) : Is 55, 6-9 Ps 144, 2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Phil 1, 20c -24, 27a Mt. 20, 1-16a
"The Lord Is Close To All Who Call Him. The Lord Is Close To All Who Call Him" (Psalm 144)

SAT	23	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary : 5.30 pm : Novena; 5.45 pm: Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Bosco)	7.00 pm : Infant Baptism
SUN	24	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation: Sts Anthony/Patrick) Eucharist (E) (Animation : Migrants) Eucharist (M) 4.30 pm : Titi (M) No BM Mass	RE(T): 8.45-10.15 am; RE(C) : 9- 10.30 am : RE(E) (BM) 10.45 -12.15pm RCIA (T) 9.00 -10.30 am ; RCIA (BM) 11.00 am -12.30pm RCIA (E) 11.00 -12.30pm ; RCIA(M) : 9.00 -10.30 am
6.00 pm : Prayer for Care of Creation – Special prayer at Kg. Sebir – Chapel				
Mon	25	6.45 am	Eucharist Charismatic (E) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall	
Tues	26	6.45 am	Eucharist Charismatic (M) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall	
Wed	27	6.45 am	Eucharist 7.45 pm : BECCOT Gathering	
Thur	28	6.45 am	Eucharist Charismatic (M) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall	
Fri	29	6.45 am	Eucharist	
26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A) : Ez18, 25-28 Ps 24, 4bc-5, 6-7, 8-9 Phil 2, 1-11 Mt 21, 28-32 <i>"Remember Your Mercy Lord. Remember Your Mercy Lord" (Psalm 24)</i>				
SAT	30	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary : 5.30 pm : Novena; 5.45 pm: Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Bruno 1)	
SUN	01	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation :) Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Bruno 2) Eucharist (M) Eucharist (BM)	RE(T): 8.45-10.15 am; RE(C) : 9- 10.30 am : RE(E) (BM) 10.45 -12.15pm RCIA (T) 9.00 -10.30 am ; RCIA (BM) 11.00 am -12.30pm RCIA (E) 11.00 -12.30pm ; RCIA(M) : 9.00 -10.30 am

We welcome new Parishioners/Students from Universities/Colleges in the vicinity of Seremban. Kindly register at the parish office or email us at: serembanvisitation@gmail.com. You will receive a Prayer Card (Magnificat). Pray it daily.

NEWS / EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2017

- i) **Parish Weekend Collections :**
16 / 17 September : RM8,861.35
God Bless All Generous Donors
- **Please take note**, the small Gates near the Church Canteen and in front of the Church will be **CLOSED** during the weekdays. This is to ensure **SECURITY** in the Church surroundings. Kindly use the Main Gate (Gate . 2) near the Church Hall.
- **Toilets : Newly refurbished Toilets at the Canteen are now ready for use. Kindly take care and keep clean always.**

➤ **Eucharistic Adoration Conference 2017 & The Vatican International Exhibition of Church Approved Eucharistic Miracles of the World**
 Saturday, 11 November 2017 @ 8.30 am to 4.00 pm at Church of St. Ignatius, P.J.
 Registration open after all weekend Masses or contact Spencer (012-23256718)

➤ **ATTIRE (Dress Code) at Mass**
 Refrain from using Short Pants/Revealing(sleeveless) attires, Singlets and Japanese slippers. Please give reverence during Mass. Come in your SUNDAY BEST

Pray for the Departed soul of :
 Celine D'Cruz (d.o.d : 17 /09/17)
May the Perpetual Light shine upon her.

- **Migrant Sunday: 24 September 2017.**
Theme : "Child Migrants: Vulnerable and Voiceless"
 8.45 am : Preparation of representative of Migrants at Church Entrance.
 9.00 am : Special Mass for all Migrants of the Parish (English/BM)
 10.15 am : Exhibition on the Life of Migrants. All are welcome for the exhibition. (Church ground)
 11.30 am : Fellowship for Migrants
- **BECCOT : 27 September 2017 @ 7.45 pm :** All those in :
 (i) Inter-Religious Dialogue (IRD) (ii) PIHDM (all the 9 sub -Ministries)
 (iii) BECs (heads/core team); (iv) Family Life Ministry
 (v) Unity Team (vi) Social Comm (Media)
 (vii) Formation (Bible Teams/ (viii) Youth committee & Zones Reps
 BECCAT/Catechetical (RE Teachers/
 Catholic Teachers/Liturgy (all Languages)
 Attendance is Compulsory.
- **World Day of Prayer for Creation :** Pope Francis calls for attention to environment September 1 to October 4. Christians around the Globe will be praying for and taking action on behalf of creation. Join us online prayer, help organize a symbolic action at : [http:// seasonofcreation.org/online-events/](http://seasonofcreation.org/online-events/) (A special prayer will be said at Kg. Sebir.)
- **October - Month of Rosary.** All BECs kindly organize Rosary prayer at every home. Zone Heads, kindly take note of the Zone gatherings for Rosary & mass by the Priests. For info , please call John Maynard (012-6656411)
- **Special Blessing for Pets** (Feast of St. Francis of Assisi) on 08 Oct. (Sun) @ 5.00 pm at the Grotto

- **Choice English KL 100 Weekend :** Calling all single Working Adults aged 23-40, Choice program on 22 - 24 Sept 2017 at APC, KL. Call Andrew (016-3366050) or Ashley (017-3310275) or visit website : www.choicekl.org
- **PCC Meeting :** 26 Sept 9 (Tues) @ 8.00 pm at the Visitation Hall. All Ministries Heads and members to be present.
- **Fr. George** will be away on 29 Sept to 01 October, conducting CMPC (T) Course at APC, K. L
- **Fr. Andrew Kooi** will be away at Kuantan from 03 to 09 October 2017
- **Parish Pastoral Assembly : 15/10 (Sun) @ 2 - 5 pm at Visitation Hall**