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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

B E D I S C I P L E S O F H O P E

It is easy to love the people far away. It is not always easy to love those close to us. Bring love into your home, for this is where our love for each other must start.

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

Is our modern day lifestyle becoming incompatible with the demands of the family network? Have our family priorities extended only as far as our immediate needs demand? Have we made ourselves the center of our lives? Despite our weekly profession that Christ is our Lord, are we moving away from Christ just in the way that the modern day family is moving away from the need for ecclesial community structures that were well thought of three decades ago? Is this the basis for the declining participation in BECs? Are we facing the reality of a community that appears to be slowly disintegrating at all levels before our eyes?

Unless we are prepared to accept the consequence of the fragmentation of the family, the pervasive contraceptive culture, increasing domestic violence and single parenthood, we have to start sensitising ourselves to realities around us, and wake ourselves up from the notion that it doesn't involve us. We have to check ourselves against this phenomena. A good way would be to ask ourselves how frequently we visit our own parents, older siblings or other members of our extended family when compared to our visits to the shopping malls and places of entertainment that is mushrooming in our country.

We are reminded today that we have to start looking beyond ourselves. As Christ has directed us, we are meant to be drawn towards each other and to love one another as Jesus has commanded us (Jn. 15:12). We have to begin re-orientating our focus away from ourselves towards the other. The Church starts with the smallest basic unit - the family - and families bound by the Holy Spirit becomes the Church itself. Social studies have affirmed the healing nature of church communities when one is bound by the community of love and faith. **Our Christian faith calls us to love another.** This is the Christian love that Jesus taught. The love of God reveals to us the beauty and power of his love when we love in return. Unless we embrace that, we will sadly remain bound in our individual selves within our own comfort zone. †

Weekly
WORD

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FAMILY POWERED IN CHRIST...

TO LOVE ANOTHER



Our first sense of love comes from our family. In most families, the ties that bind its members are naturally more pronounced when compared to any other group. However, unlike past generations that placed great emphasis on family kinship, modern day families appear to somehow depend less on the family network. An example of this can be seen in the numerous cases of the elderly being neglected or worse, even abandoned by their families.



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DISCIPLESHIP : BE DISCIPLES OF HOPE.
 Hope : Family powered in Christ (May) 2018
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



OUR PROGRAMME 05 – 13 MAY 2018

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER : Ac 10, 25-26. 34-35. 44-48 Ps 97, 1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4 1 Jn 4, 7-10 Jn 15, 9-17
"The Lord has Shown his Salvation to the Nations. The Lord has Shown his Salvation to the Nations." (Psalm 97)

Sat	05	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary : 5.30 pm : Novena; 5.45 pm: Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Bruno 1)	
Sun	06	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation : St. Maria) Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Bruno 2) Eucharist (C) 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
Mon	07	6.45 am	Eucharist	Charismatic (E) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall. We welcome All to join in praising God in Song.
Tues	08	6.45 am	Eucharist	Charismatic (M) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall. We welcome All to join in praising God in Song.
Wed	09	6.45 am	Eucharist	[G E 14]
Thur	10	The Ascension of the Lord (Day of Obligation) : 6.45 am : Eucharist (Eng) ; 7.30 pm : Eucharist (E/T/M/BM)		
Fri	11	6.45 am	Eucharist	

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER : Ac 1, 15-17, 20a, 20c – 26 , Ps 102, 1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab, 1 Jn 4, 11-16, Jn 17, 11b-19
"The Lord Has Set His Sway In Heaven. The Lord Has Set His Sway In Heaven." (Psalm 102)

E	12	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary : 5.30 pm : Novena; 5.45 pm: Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : Youth)	
Sun	13	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation : Liturgy) Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Bruno 3) Eucharist (C) 4.30 pm : Titi (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 University / 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.

Thank you : BEC St. Bruno 1 & 2 (Seremban 2) for Mass Animation this weekend.

- i) **Parish Weekend Collections** : 28/29 April 2018 : RM9,305.15
God Bless All Generous Donors
- ii) There will be a 2nd Collection this weekend, 05/06 may 2018 for Ministry of Social Concern
God Bless All Generous Donors
- iii) Observe silence inside the Church. No practice/reading allowed in between Sunday Masses. Always ensure formal attire while service and participating at mass.

Pray for the Departed souls of :
 Patricia Kandiah (d.o.d : 02/05/2018)
May the Perpetual Light shine upon her

- **"Pump up de' Jam !"** A special formation for all Youths of Visitation. Sun 6/5/18 @ 4 pm - 7pm (by Frs. Pat M & Eugene Lee)
- **"Why me Lord? Discover the Joy of Discipleship"** Calling **all Leaders of the Parish**, BEC/Zone/Ministries are to be present for the special formation by CSSR Frs. Sat 5/5/18 @ 9 am - 1 pm (E/BM/T/M) - at Visitation Hall.
- 8/5/18 (Tues) @ 4 pm for **all Legionaries** E&T **"Mary - Perfect example of Discipleship"**. On 6/5/18 for (M) Legionaries.
- **08th, 10th & 11th May, Special visits to the sick / home bound**, by our Redemptorist Frs. parish office will notify the families
- Students from **Montfort Youth Centre**, will be having a fund-raising at our parish this weekend 05/06 May 2018, for their Open House Charity Carnival 2018. Kindly give your support.

PARISH MISSION

➤ **BEC Home Masses Schedule**

- a) 07 May (Mon) : Taman Satria (Senawang) ; St. Monica (Senawang) St. James (Senawang); St. Catherine (S2)
- b) 08 May (Tue) : St. Lorenzon Ruiz (Mambau, S3); St. Jude (T T J) St. Pio (T T J) ; St. John Bosco (Sban Jaya)
- c) 09 May (Wed) : St. Theresa (Sban Jaya); St. Ireaneaus (Sban Jaya); St. Raphael (Mambau, S3); St. Joachim (Sban Jaya)
- d) 10 May (Thur): St. Arthur (Sban 2) ; St. Paul II (Sban 2) ; St. Mathias 1 (T T J); St. Bruno 1 (Sban 2)
- e) 11 May (Fri) : St. Bruno 2 (Sban 2) ; St. Bruno 3 (Sban 2) ; St. Bernadine 1 (Sban 2) ; St. Bernadine 2 (Sban 2)

Kindly contact the respective Zone/BEC Leaders for more details.

- 170th Anniversary Cornerstone "Coffee Table" Magazine & History 'CD' in the making. Keep the team in prayer. You may make a pre order now. Call Jerome :019 790 8071

- **GE 14 : 9 May 2018** - Vote wisely , listen to your conscience. Lets do it with
 - Discernment on the choice of Candidate
 - Solidarity with all people to promote Peace & Harmony.
 - Prayer for a Free and Fair election.

- 23 May to 31 May - **Parish 170 Anniversary & Feast** (more updates soon)
- Sat 12/5/18 @ 10 am - 4 pm for **all "Family Life"** (E/Bm/M). For Tamil will be on 6/5/18 @ 2 pm **"May They be One"** (Jn 17:21).
- Sun 13/5/18 @ 5 pm an evening with **VSPF members** at Visitation Cafeteria.
- Sat 19/5/18 @ 9 am - 1 pm **"Do this in memory of me"** (Lk 22:19) for **all Eucharistic Ministers** (E/BM/T/M).

- Sun 6/5/18 @ 2.30 pm : Feast Day Liturgy briefing at parish office meeting room
- 15 & 16 May : Priests Monthly Recollection at APC, K.L.
- 20 May : Rite of Mystagogia (RCIA) - Pentecost Sunday.