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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

MONTHLY THEME:

I AM CROSSING FRONTIERS AND JOURNEYING IN CHRIST

OUR HOPE... TO 'SEE' LIKE BARTIMAEUS

Today's Gospel reading from Mk 10: 46-52 teaches about being a disciple of hope.

Bartimaeus is blind, desperate and needs to beg to survive. Yet in his helplessness, Bartimaeus never loses hope. He waits for healing and on learning Jesus is in the vicinity, he cries out unceasingly "Jesus, Son



Our entire good consists not only in accepting the truth of God's word, but in persevering in it.

- St. Francis de Sales

of David, have mercy on me". Not even the rebuke of the crowds can stop Bartimaeus.

We too may be spiritually blinded to the deepest truth of things and helpless in the bondage of sin. We must never lose hope and never give up no matter how tough our situation might be. Many will oppose our faith in Jesus Christ and seek to ridicule and frustrate us. We need to remember Bartimaeus; to persevere in our prayers and keep the faith.

Let us spend the coming week to reflect on the ways we may be spiritually blind. Ask ourselves what habits, attitudes and beliefs are holding us back from being the disciples that Jesus is calling us to be.

Reflect on the times in your life when your spiritual blindness might have prevented you from recognizing the presence of Christ in your community; workplace; in the poor and marginalized. **What is Jesus calling you to do for others?**

St. Mark beautifully describes Bartimaeus' excitement when Jesus finally calls for him: "He threw aside his cloak, sprang up and came to Jesus." There is energy in his immediate response that powerfully shows the enthusiasm that should be the "mark" of every disciple.

How do you respond to Jesus' question "what do you want me to do for you? When the Lord calls, we must be ready to respond with enthusiasm.

Bartimaeus regains his sight and with it the fullness of his dignity. He gets back on his feet and follows Jesus.

When we open ourselves to God's grace, we can be healed of spiritual blindness that sometimes prevents us from following Jesus with freedom and joy. The healing ministry of Jesus Christ is the new "exodus" from the bondage of sin into the freedom of the 'heavenly Zion'. (First Reading Jeremiah 31:7-9) †

Weekly
WORD
What is Jesus
calling you to do
for others?



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DISCIPLESHIP : BE DISCIPLES OF HOPE.
 Hope : A call to Sainthood in Christ
 (November) 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 27 OCTOBER – 04 NOVEMBER 2018

30th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME : Jer 31, 7-9 Ps 125, 1-2ab, 2cd - 3, 4-5, 6 Hebr 5, 1-6 Mk 10, 46-52
"What Marvels The Lord Worked For Us Indeed We Were Glad" (Psalm 125)

Sat	27	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary / Novena / Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation :St. Raphael)	Bible Knowledge (BK) : 2.30 pm in the Visitation Hall (U/S) (F. 3,4,5)
Sun	28	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation : Annai Velankanni) Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. David) Eucharist (M) 4.30 pm : Titi (M) Eucharist (BM) 6.00 pm : Kg Sebir (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) : 8.45 -10.15 am
Mon	29	6.45 am	Eucharist	Charismatic (E) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall. We welcome All to join in praising God in Song.
Tues	30	6.45 am	Eucharist	Charismatic (M) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall. We welcome All to join in praising God in Song
Wed	31	6.45 am	Eucharist	
Thur	01		ALL SAINTS DAY	6.45 am : English 7.30 am : Carmelite 6.30 pm : Eng / Mand / BM 2.00 pm : Kg. Sebir 8.30 pm : Tamil 4.30 pm : Titi
Fri	02		ALL SOULS DAY	6.45 am : English 7.30 am : Carmelite 6.30 pm : Eng / Mand / BM 8.30 pm : Tamil

31st SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME : Dt. 6, 2-6 Ps 17, 2-3a 3bc -4, 47 and 51ab Hebr 7, 23-28 Mk 12, 28b -34
"I Love You Lord, My Strength. I Love You Lord, My Strength" (Psalm 17)

Sat	03	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary / Novena / Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Marthal)	Bible Knowledge (BK) : 2.30 pm in the Visitation Hall (U/S) (F. 3,4,5) 8 am - 2 pm : Spiritual Talk on "Church of the Poor" at Visitation Hall
Sun	04	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation : RCIA - Teachers) Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Martin) 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) : 8.45 -10.15 am

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

NEWS / EVENTS FOR OCTOBER 2018

- i) **Parish Weekend Collections** :
 20th / 21st October : RM 8995.00
 (World Mission Sunday)
God Bless All Generous Donors
- ii) **SSVP Calendar 2019** available for sale
 RM 12 only. Kindly support !
- iii) **A Big thank you** to all of you leaders & PPA team with the Cluster groups. For the recent PPA 2018 we look forward for COLLABORATION & WITNESSING OF CHRIST !

iv) **Closing of Rosary Month 31 Oct 2018 (Wed)**:
 to be done at BEC / Zone level let's pray for the church and its protection. Mother Mary walk with us, St. Michael, Pray for us !

v) **Talk on "Sacraments of Baptism & Confirmation"** : 8th November (Thurs) at API, K.L, **Time** : 7 -10 pm. Call : 03-20266466 or online registration : <https://api.ArcKL.org>

vi) **Symposium on Culture & Nation Building** : Catholic Research Centre (CRC) together University Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) : 24 November 2018 (Sat) @ 9.30 am - 4 pm at Dewan Perdana, UKM, Bangi. Admission Free. Call 03-20266472 or email :events@crc.org.my

Thank you for Mass Animation : BECs St. Raphael (Tmn Rasah) and St. David (Mambau) for this weekend.

➤ **Blessing of Graves**

28th October	4.30 pm : Marjorie	5.00 pm : Sagga
	6.00 pm : Kg Sebir	
1st November	4.30 pm : Titi	9.00 am : Fairy Park
02nd November	4.00 pm : St. Mark	4.30 : Sikamat
	9.45am : Nilai (Xiao En Memorial)	

➤ **All Saints Day & All Souls Day Mass Schedule**

All Saints	6.45 (Eng)	6.30 pm (Eng/Mand/BM)	8.30 pm (Tamil)
01st Nov	7.30 am (Carmelite)	2.00 pm (Kg. Sebir)	4.30 pm (Titi)
All Souls	6.45 am (Eng)	6.30 pm (Eng/Mand/BM)	8.30 pm (Tamil)
02nd Nov	7.30 am (Carmelite)		

➤ **MINISTRY OF THE POOR** - ("A Church of the Poor for the Poor" - Pope Francis).- MOP

- **Spiritual Talk** on the "Church of the Poor" by Rev. Fr. Xavier on 3rd Nov for all parishioners @ 8 am to 2 pm. Registration after all masses this weekend.
- **World Day of the Poor** - 17th Nov 2018 (Sat) 11am - 4pm Lunch Fellowship @ Visitation Hall & church grounds, 18th Nov 2018 (Sun) Special prayer at all masses. For further info call Stephen Dionisappu (016-6110681)
- **The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)** - Precious gift for you & for all. Come & discover what's in store for you !. A special talk for all parishioners calling all Catechists / RCIA / Eucharistic Ministers / BEC Leaders & all !. by Dr. Steven Selvaraju (Director API-KL). 24 Nov 2018 (sat) @ 9am - 4pm, Registration at RE office by 18 Nov 2018 (No Fee) Contact: Anthony Param 012 662 0949
- Please get a special **St. Michael Prayer card**: pray for the protection of the church as asked by Pope Francis.
- **Deepavali Charity Project "Udai Daanam" for Poor Hindu Families** organised by Hindu Sangam, Seremban Seeking for new or use clothing of all age groups -
 (a) Saries / Punjabi suits/ Chudithar
 (b) Jeepa / Kurta / Vesti (c) Shirts/pants/ Dress
 Contact Letchumi - 011-10663959
- 170th Anniversary **Cornerstone "Coffee Table" Book.** - RM40/- per book. Books are available after all Masses or can get them from the parish office.