

I wish not merely to be called Christian, but also to be Christian.

- St. Ignatius of Loyola

Often, however, one's pursuit of his or her own desires become in a way, another's obstacle. This is especially so since our pursuits may become entangled with those of others, leading to conflicts and resulting in broken relationships. It can happen between husbands and wives, family members, friends and colleagues, and even among us who are Christians. In such situations, Christian unity becomes a challenge. It is made worse by the idea of the much touted 'prosperity gospel' which promotes a sense of self-importance, so much so that certain church leaders may succumb to the temptation of popularity and sometimes, fame.

The Gospel of Matthew 20:28 focuses on the Christ who came to serve and to give his life for all. He is the model for every Christian. In this way, he ironically becomes the obstacle to our contemporary way of life. A Christ inspired life requires labour, sacrifice and perseverance, and is not about some dreamy notion nor ready-made solutions to life's problems. It starts with a little giving of ourselves through daily acts of charity, and may lead to a belief that may go as far as giving one's own life for others. After all, Christian love is not just a concept, but a concrete living out the faith (1 John 3:18: "let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth").

It is in living out such faith that we understand Jesus' call in wanting to draw us to himself. As he stated to the wise scribe in Mk 12:34: "You are not far from the kingdom of God." Perhaps over time and practice, we will come to understand the great importance of the connection of our lives with others. It is no wonder then that the words at the dismissal of the Mass "Ite, Missa est" means to "go forth!" **We are sent out to serve.** We may only appreciate its significance more when we realise that the sacrificial love of God finds its similar expression in love for our neighbour. †

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4 NOVEMBER 2018

NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

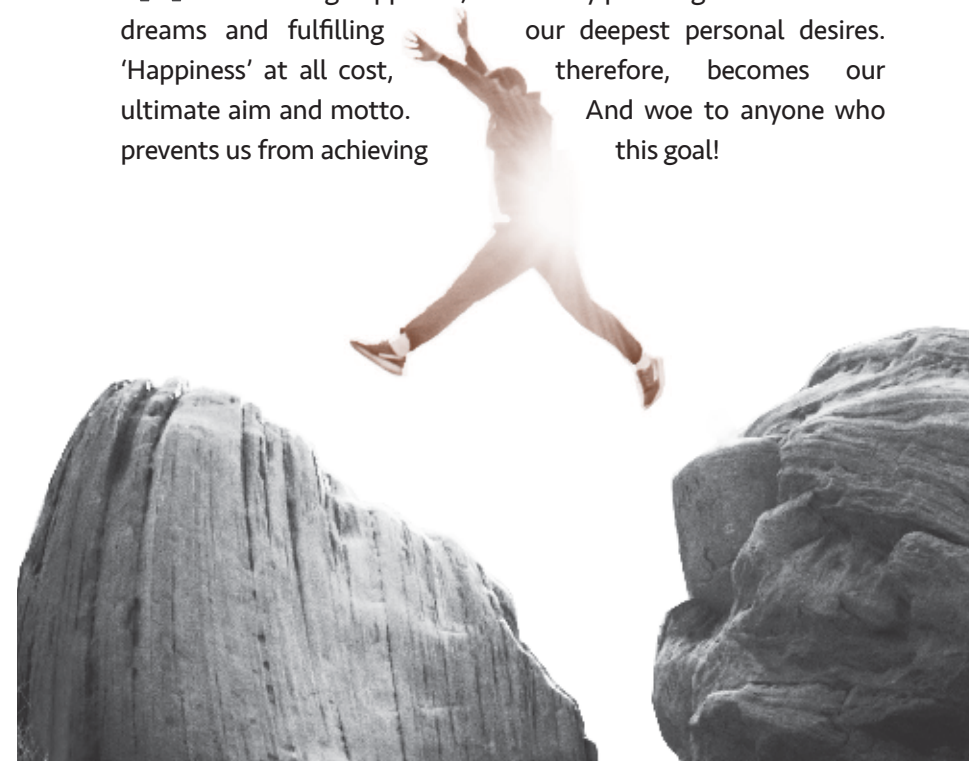
B E D I S C I P L E S O F H O P E

MONTHLY THEME:

A CALL TO SAINTHOOD IN CHRIST

Going Beyond Myself

We often tend to live individualistic lives. We are so focused on chasing happiness, on actively pursuing unencumbered dreams and fulfilling our deepest personal desires. 'Happiness' at all cost, therefore, becomes our ultimate aim and motto. And woe to anyone who prevents us from achieving this goal!



Weekly
WORD

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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 03 – 11 NOVEMBER 2018

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. Martha)	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
Mon	05	6.45 am	Eucharist	Charismatic (E) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall. We welcome All to join in praising God in Song.
Tues	06	6.45 am	Eucharist	Charismatic (M) 7.30 pm at Visitation Hall. We welcome All to join in praising God in Song
Wed	07	6.45 am	Eucharist	
Thur	08	6.45 am	Eucharist	7.30 pm : Holy Hour followed by Eucharist (T) at Chapel St. Paul the Hermit, Rahang Kecil
Fri	09	No Morning Mass		7.30 pm : Holy Hour followed by Eucharist (1 st Friday)

32nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME : 1 kgs. 17, 10-16 Ps 145, 6c-7. 8 -9a. 9bc-10 Hebr 9, 24-28 Mk 12, 38- 44 (or 12, 41-44)
"My Soul, Give Praise to The Lord. My Soul, Give Praise to The Lord" (Psalm 145)

Sat	10	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary / Novena / Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Joseph)	Bible Knowledge (BK) : 2.30 pm in the Visitation Hall (U/S) (F. 3,4,5)
Sun	11	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation : RCIA - Teachers) Eucharist (E) (Animation : Youth) 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) : 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 November 2018

i) Parish Weekend Collections :

27th / 28th October : RM 8,485.00

God Bless All Generous Donors

ii) There will be a 2nd collection this weekend **03/04 November** for the Ministry of Social Concern

iii) **SSVP Calendar 2019** is available for sale RM 12 each. Kindly support !

• **ICCF (Inter Christian Churches Fellowship)** Christmas Dinner & Dance 15 Dec 2018 at Min Kok Restaurant.

Contact : Marjorie 018 395 0546

• **Hari Toleransi Sedunia 2018** Unity Dept NS is organising a "UNITY RUN" on 17th Nov 2018 (Sat) @ 7.30am. Sports Complex, Paroi Stadium N.S. Registration at Visitation Parish Office

• 170th Anniversary **Cornerstone "Coffee Table" Book.** - RM40/- per book. Books are available after all Masses or can get them from the parish office.

Thank you for Mass Animation: BECs St. Martha & St. Martin (Rahang) for 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
- **Beware of theft** - esp. for all Motorcycles parked on church grounds, kindly ensure that the Motorcycle / Helmets are locked properly
- Special **Seminar on Interreligious / Ecumenical (EIRD) & Mission** on 16 - 18 Nov at API, KL. Kindly call Shalet : 012 210 0076 or Christopher K. 019 621 6194
- **"UNITY IN DIVERSITY"** - Unity Programme for all. Organised by Sathya Sai N.S, Unity Dept, MB's office & MCCBCHST, NS. 23rd Nov 2018 (Fri) 6.30pm at Dewan MPS S'ban. All are Welcome.

- **On 10th & 11th Nov 2018** a second collection will be taken for the purpose of **Natural Disasters.**
- **First Holy Communion Camp** will be on 10th - 11th Nov 2018, Confessions for them will be on 17th Nov 2018 (Sat) @ 9am
- **X-mas Gotong Royong** for the Church / Grounds on 20th Nov 2018 @ 9am - 12 noon
- **Rev.Fr George Harrison** will be away on leave 3rd - 10th Nov 2018
- Please get a special **St. Michael Prayer card**: pray for the protection of the church as asked by Pope Francis.
- **20th & 21st Nov 2018** - **Priests Monthly Recollection**
- **Advent Penitential Service** - Visitation Seremban on 26th Nov 2018 (Mon) @ 7pm.

Wishing all our Hindu Brothers & Sisters " Happy Deepavali"
May This light be your guide & Blessings !