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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

4th Sunday Ordinary Time

B A P T I S E D A N D S E N T

MONTHLY THEME: **CALLS US TO HOLINESS**

*This holiness  
to which the  
Lord calls  
you will grow  
through small  
gestures.*

- Pope Francis

**Scripture of the Day:**

Jer 1, 4-5. 17-19;  
Ps 70, 1-2. 3-4. 5-6.  
15 and 17;  
1 Cor 12, 31-13;  
Lk 4, 21, 21-30

Ironically most of us in Malaysia trace our ancestry as being immigrants once, some barely second generation now, others traced back to the Malaccan sultanate in the 15th century. It is regretful that lately, the previous administrators of this country have allowed certain hate groups to use this as a tool to demarcate rights, using both race and religion as tools. Perhaps that was the reason for the joy of *Malaysia Baru*, that we are able to make a difference. If we're able to appreciate the joy of the term *Malaysia Baru*, by right then, we should be able to extend that sense of justice to all those who are different from us – especially those 2.7 million migrants we see in our midst, washing our toilets, building our roads, serving in cafes and restaurants which we encounter almost daily.

Jesus, after winning approval in his citation and affirmation of the scroll of Isaiah in the Gospel, was met immediately with disdain from the crowd. Those who felt entitled or privileged to certain rights didn't like to hear about sharing them with others, especially foreigners or people that are simply different. In the days of Jesus, it was Sidonia or Syrian – for us today is it Bangladesh or Myanmar? Do we fall into the trap of 'entitlement' as well, do we Lord it over and above our neighbor? Are we so special - among others who are simply NOT? What about the way we treat or label others, like; a divorced catholic, an unbaptized child, or those categorized under LGBT – or worse, people who are simply too poor; are we uncomfortable in their presence? Who are our friends and which are true friendships? These are hard questions which sometimes need equally hard answers.

St. Paul reminds us, especially in 1 Cor 13 – **holiness is love, and love is holiness**, that the love story of Jesus includes all, especially the foreigner and the poor; all people are important and to be loved; and that is not determined by the size of their wallet nor the language they speak. We no longer sit in our entitlement of faith, but diligently share our grace received as a free universal gift, and in the spirit of inclusiveness as a light to others. Love must be our motivation. Do we truly see Christ in everyone? †

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**N**ews of abuse of foreign migrant workers, be it maids or workers by their employers have been rampant these years in spite of strict laws enacted. There are a total of approximately 2.7 million migrants currently registered in Malaysia, and some are under UNHCR refugee status, fleeing either war or poverty, while most, especially skilled workers have legitimate work permits.

*Weekly  
WORD*  
**Holiness is  
love, and love  
is holiness.**



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**THEME FOR 2019**  
**DISCIPLESHIP : BAPTISED AND SENT.**  
**Theme for February 2019**  
**Evangelise / Call : Call Us to Holiness.**

**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 02 - 10 FEBRUARY 2019**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)** : Jer 1, 4-5, 17-19 Ps 70, 1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17 1 Cor 12, 31-13, 13 Lk 4, 21-30

**"My Lips Will Tell Of Your Help, My Lips Will Tell Of Your Help" (Psalm 70)**

Sat	02	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary / Novena / Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Basil)	<b>7.30 am : Presentation of the Lord Eucharist/Blessing of candles/procession</b> <b>8.30 am - 1 pm : Catechists Retreat</b>
Sun	03	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation : St. Hilary) Eucharist (E) Animation: St. Ambrose Eucharist (C) Eucharist (BM)	<b>No Sunday Classes</b> 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	04	6.45 am	Eucharist	<b>9.00 pm : Titi : CNY Eve Mass</b>
Tues	05	8.30 am	Eucharist	<b>CNY Mass</b>
Wed	06	6.45 am	Eucharist	
Thur	07	6.45 am	Eucharist	<b>7.30 pm : Holy Hour followed by Eucharist (T) at Chapel St. Paul the Hermit, Rahang</b>
Fri	08	6.45 am	Eucharist	<b>7.00 pm : Novena &amp; Mass at Chapel of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sagga</b>

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)** : Is 6, 1-2a, 3-8, Ps 137, 1-2a 2bc, 3, 4-5, 7v-8, 1Cor 15, 1-11 Lk 5, 1-11

**"Before The Angels I Will Bless You, O Lord" (Psalm 137)**

Sat Feb	09	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary / Novena / Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Youth)	<b>09 &amp; 10 Feb : Special Blessings for all Sick/Elderly &amp; Aged after all Masses</b>
Sun	10	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation St. Joseph) Eucharist (E) (Animation: RE- Primary 6) 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 at: [serembanvisitation@gmail.com](mailto:serembanvisitation@gmail.com). You will receive a Prayer Card (Magnificat). Pray it daily.

**NEWS / EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY 2019**

- i) **Parish Weekend Collections :**  
26 / 27 Jan 2019 : RM9,039.70  
**God Bless All Generous Donors**
- ii) There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection this weekend 02/03 February for Ministry of the Social Concern  
**God Bless All Generous Donors**
- iii) **Sale of Religious articles**
  - a) 2019 Liturgical calendars (Eng) : RM6.00 each
  - b) 2019 Liturgical calendars (Tamil) : RM 5.00 each
  - c) 2019 Bible Diaries (Eng/Tamil) : RM20.00 each

**Pray for the Departed souls of :**  
 a) Maria Chin Yoon Nyong (d.o.d : 27/01/19)  
 b) Savariammal (d.o.d : 27/01/19)  
**May the Perpetual Light shine upon them.**

iv) **Any Plans for Marriage ?** First, Fill up your personal particulars at parish office and meet the parish priest (at least 1 year before Marriage). **For Marriages in 2019**, kindly make appointment to see parish priest. Dates of marriage courses are available.

v) **BEC Mass Animation schedule** for January to June 2019 are ready for collection. All BEC/Zone coordinators kindly take a copy at the parish office.

vi) **Parish Media Team :** We thank Michael Choong for his services as head of this team. We welcome Albert as the new head. Kindly send us news & info to email : [churchofthevisitation@gmail.com](mailto:churchofthevisitation@gmail.com) or [terminate79@gmail.com](mailto:terminate79@gmail.com)

vii) **CNY Eve Mass at Titi :** 4/2/19 (Mon) @ 9.00 pm  
**CNY Mass at Church :** 5/2/19 (Tues) @ 8.30 am

**Wedding Bells - Congratulations to :**

- a) Raja Suriah & Magdalene on 9/2/19 @ 11.00 am
- b) Paul Selva & Evangeline Shanggary on 09/2/19 @ 3.30 pm

**Thank you for Mass Animation:**  
 BEC St..Basil & St. Ambrose (Sikamat) for this weekend.

- **"Extraordinary Mission Year"** : **"Baptised and Sent : the Church of Christ on mission in the world"**
  - Extraordinary Year of Mission -T-shirts are available ! Kindly place your order today ! White/Maroon/Black/Green/Light Blue (Sizes - XS/S/M/L/XL/XXL). More info on this soon
- **"Understanding The Church"** - a talk on better understanding and appreciation of the Church held on 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019 (Thurs) from 7 pm - 10 pm) at APC, K.L. Participation by mean of minimum donation of RM10.00 per person . Call 03-20266466
- **RACHEL'S VINEYARD** welcomes ANY PERSON who has struggled with emotional and spiritual pain of an abortion. A 3days/2nights stay-in scriptural based retreat will be held in Penang on 15-17 March 2019 and in KL on 21-23 August,2019. Closing date is 1<sup>st</sup> Mar and 8<sup>th</sup> Aug respectively. This retreat is specially designed to help participants to experience the mercy, compassion, love and healing grace of God. Contact Mary (016-4190538)
- **Catechism classes** have begun. Registrations are still going on. Please go to the catechism office (above canteen) to enquire for more info : Anthony Param : 012--6620949.
- **Lenten Campaign 2019** - A talk by AOHD, K.L. Team will be held on 16/2/19 @ 8.00 am to 1 pm at Visitation Hall. All BEC/Zone/Ministry leaders are requested to attend. Call Charles (017-6158961) for more info.
- **For Sick Calls in Hospital or Homebound** - kindly call & inform parish office and the priests will be visiting them soonest possible.
- **EOMS /Special Ministers** to ensure weekly communion is given to all the Sick/homebounds in your Zone/BEC
- **Proper Attire at Mass :** all parishioners, leaders, all serving at Mass to ensure proper attire, neat & fitting for Eucharistic Celebrations. **Refrain** from using Short Pants / Revealing (sleeveless) attires, Singlets and Japanese slippers. Please give **reverence** during Mass. Come in your SUNDAY BEST!
- **Alpha Program in Bahasa :** 3<sup>rd</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> /24<sup>th</sup> February & 3<sup>rd</sup> March @ 2.30 pm -6.00 pm at Visitation Hall. Contact : Maria (014-3503718). All are welcome .

- **8<sup>th</sup>- 10<sup>th</sup> Feb: Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sagga, Rantau** Contact : Robert (011 28551708)  
 8/2/19 (Fri) : 7.00 pm : Rosary / Flag-raising / Holy hour / Anointing/Eucharist  
 9/2/19 (Sat) : 6.30 pm : Rosary / Eucharist / Procession  
 10/2/19 (Sun) : 10.00 am : Rosary / Feast Mass . All are welcome
- 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> February : **Clergy Monthly Recollection at APC, K.L.**

*We thank Bro. Philip Aasir - For his month long pastoral help in our Parish.  
 Wish him Gods Blessing as he continues his seminary formation soon. Tq Bro*

**Parish office will be closed for CNY on 05<sup>th</sup> & 06<sup>th</sup> February 2019.  
 Wishing all Chinese Brothers & Sisters a "Happy Chinese Lunar Year 2019"**