

# Newtbec

NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

5th Sunday Ordinary Time

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

*Do not be afraid of holiness. It will take away none of your energy, vitality or joy.*

– Pope Francis

The missionary role that the early disciples took appears to be no different than that expected of us. Many Christians in our time may disagree with this view – they may say that's the role of the priestly and the anointed ones, or don't be a fanatic, you're spending too much time in church work, or better, you can't handle the challenges of the modern world, you hide through the pretext of church activities. To these a quote of St Paul – 'Woe to me if I don't preach the gospel' (1 Cor 9:16) should be a sufficient response.

In the Gospel, Peter was asked by Jesus to cast a net deep out at sea, it was a seasoned fisherman taking an instruction from someone not known to be one, thus giving us fodder to reflect upon. Like the mission we believe to be our call, there's always the fear or risk of the unknown like the deep water that Peter was asked to cast his net upon. The unknown scares us, yet Peter trusted Jesus. So too must we when tasks are entrusted upon us – we need first to be responsive towards the call or mission, even in the face of an unsure tomorrow. History and Scripture are filled with shocks and drama for those on mission, but be sure that the hand of God is certain as He is steady. It is indeed He that leads you.

Our inadequacies in mission may get in the way, as that of Peter (I am a sinful man) or St. Paul (why me), but the consciousness of our inadequacies draw us to rely on the power of Jesus – as we acclaim "Jesus, I trust in You". When we understand our reliance on Jesus, only then will we be humbled by the fact that **we are the messenger, not the message** – as Jesus walks with us in our mission – as he did with the disciples. Thus when we hear the call of God, we only need to answer – Here I am Lord. †



#### Scripture of the Day:

Is 6, 1-2, 3-8;  
Ps137, 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8;  
1 Cor 15, 1-11;  
Lk 5, 1-11.



MONTHLY THEME:

CALLS US TO HOLINESS

## Into Deeper Waters

**W**e love, because He loved us first (1 Jn 4:19) *for he framed a parameter for our relationship with Jesus, as it is this same love that we received unconditionally that we reciprocate for others.* Consider this against the backdrop of how our daily dosage of the body of Christ is partaken – through the Mass ('missa') – which means mission, ie we are being sent – sent to spread God's message of love universally. We are constantly a people on mission.





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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 09 - 17 FEBRUARY 2019**

**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

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

Sat	09	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary / Novena / Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : 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 <b>10.00 am : Sagga Feast Mass at Chapel of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sagga</b>
Mon	11	6.45 am	Eucharist	
Tues	12	6.45 am	Eucharist	
Wed	13	6.45 am	Eucharist	
Thur	14	6.45 am	Eucharist	
Fri	15	6.45 am	Eucharist	<b>7.30 pm : Holy Hour followed by Eucharist at Chapel Velangkanni, Gadong</b>

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR C)** : Jer 17, 5-8, Ps 1, 1-2, 3, 4 abd 6, 1 Cor 15, 12, 16-20

**"Happy The Man Who Has Placed His Trust In The Lord, Happy The Man Who Has Placed His Trust In The Lord" (Psalm 1)**

Sat	16	5.00 pm 6.00 pm	Rosary / Novena / Benediction Eucharist (E) (Animation : St. Rita)	<b>7.00 pm : Infant Baptism</b>
Sun	17	7.00 am 9.00 am 11.00 am 1.00 pm	Eucharist (T) (Animation : St. Pio) Eucharist (E) (Animation: St. Gregory) 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 :**

- a) 02/03 February 2019 : RM9,066.75
- b) Min. of Social Concern : RM7,973.10
- c) 05/02 CNY : RM5,958.35  
Titi (CNY) : RM868.90

**God Bless All Generous Donors**

**ii) Gentle Reminder to All Parishioners**

- a) Kindly take care of your personal belongings e.g handbag during Holy Communion. Please be extra careful and do not leave it at the pews. Thank you.
- b) Smoking in the Church vicinity/canteen is prohibited. Thank you for your cooperation.

iii) **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.

iv) **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)

v) **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.

**Thank you for Mass Animation:**  
 Youth & Re- Primary for this weekend.

- **CNY 2019 fellowship Luncheon** on 03/03/19 at Regent Hall, Seremban Get a table or a ticket today. Call Pamela : 016-6306196
- **AV items in Church / Choir Loft** → Please take extra care while using them at Mass. Please do not meddle with them. For any need of repair, please notify the parish office
- **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 **John Davidson** (017-6158961) for more info.
- **Interfaith Charity Golf Tournament** organised by MCCBCHST, N.S> on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019 @ 7.00 am at Seremban International Golf Club (SIGC). Per head : RM250/- inclusive of Breakfast/Lunch/Goody Bag. Lots of Prizes. We need all golfers to fully support this event. Call Thayalan (017-8809454/ Chris K. (019-6216194).
- **St. Theresa's Church** , Nilai has been selected to be the Mission Station throughout this year. St. Theresa is the Patroness of Mission. We can visit, pray, celebrate Mass & make a pilgrimage as part of our Mission program.
- **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!
- **Hospitality Ministers** -
  - We need more volunteers to help during Masses.
  - BECs/Ministries animating Masses to bring in at least 6 members to serve
  - Kindly be smart & suitable in attire while serving.
  - Be early to serve, Be prayerful (at least 15 mins before Mass)
  - Be warm, welcoming and generous in serving.
  - For more info, please see Mary Rajoo/Patricia or your BEC coordinator

- 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> February : Home Visits by Frs (Zone 13 & 14)
- 16<sup>th</sup> & 17 February : Sale of Souvenirs by **Assumption Church for Assumption Diamond Jubilee.**
- 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> February : **Clergy Monthly Recollection at APC, K.L.**
- 24<sup>th</sup> February - **Titi Mass at 4.30 pm**  
- **Kg. Sebir Mass at 6.00 pm**
- 21<sup>st</sup> - 23<sup>rd</sup> February - **Fr. George away in East Coast** → Induction program on Inter-religious Dialogue/Ecumenical