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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH 4th Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday)



SENT WITH JOY TO HEAL

MONTHLY THEME: LIFE TO THE FULL

Let Him Lead Us to Pasture



How many of us these days can claim that we are living the “fullness of life”? Some of us may equate a full life as being filled with material richness, achieving human accomplishments or acquiring human knowledge.

We must often feel weary and tired yet God brings us through all these things.

– St. Mary MacKillop



Scripture of the Day:

- Acts 2: 36 - 41
- Ps 22, 1. 3-6
- 1 Pt 2, 20-25
- John 10:1-10

We may even believe that all our problems and hardships may only be solved with money, material things or human intelligence and enterprise.

In this Sunday’s Gospel passage, Jesus promises “life to the full” (Jn 10:10). However, it requires Christian maturity to understand His words. Our Christian faith asks us to put on the “lens” of Christ, in order to see that “life to the full” means to live in total and humble dependence on God, with Jesus as our model of one who has lived life in this way. Living “life to the full” is about becoming the person God wants us to be. It is about becoming an authentic disciple of Christ.

This invitation to be dependent on Him, to be His disciple, and to sit at His table, is essentially an opportunity to be bound to Him. It is this union that allows us to live life to the full! Let us trust Him to lead us to a valley of peace. Let us enter through His gate, so that we may find pasture (Jn 10:9). Unlike the riches of this world, **He will bring us true fulfilment**, and true peace as we progress through life’s journey.

Jesus promises us that as the gate of the sheepfold, “...anyone who enters through [Him] will be safe.” (Jn 10:9). His words assure us that although we may stray from Him like lost sheep, Jesus, our Shepherd, is constantly calling us by name. He continues to invite us into the shelter of His arms, and fullness of life.

Are we responding to His invitation? †





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THEME FOR 2020
DISCIPLESHIP : SENT WITH JOY TO HEAL.
Theme for May 2020
Evangelise/Call : Life to the Full.

PARISH OFFICE :
 Temporary closed
 due to MCO –
 Covid 19 until
 further notice



02nd / 03rd May 2020 : (Good Shepherd Sunday)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER : AC 2, 36-41, Ps 22, 1-36a, 3b -4, 5, 6, 1 Pt 2, 20b -25, Jn 10, 1-10
"The Lord is My Shepherd. There is Nothing I Shall Want" (Psalm : 22)

Donations received as from 18th March to 26th April 2020 (during the MCO)

	Parish Donations	Adoration Room	PIHDM Food Bank
Cumulative Amount :	RM13,460.00	RM1,330.00	RM850.00

Thank you for all kind contributions. God Bless.

DONATIONS / OFFERINGS : For those who wish to contribute to any of the followings :

- (1) Financial Contribution to the Parish
- (2) Mass offerings
- (3) Adoration Room Makeover
- (4) PIDM Food Bank

We would encourage you to use your banking online facility. The Parish Bank Account details are as follows :

- (a) Bank : Public Bank Berhad
- (b) Bank Account Name : Church of Visitation
- (c) Account No : 3121194612

Please indicate in the online transfer the following details so that the Parish Office could account for them appropriately :- (i) Amount (ii) Purpose - any of the following :

- (1) Financial Contribution to the Parish
- (2) Mass Intentions for (name) - (RIP, or Thanksgiving or Special Intention)
- (3) Adoration Room Makeover
- (4) PIHDM Food Bank

(For more info please call : John Davidson (017 6158961) or Bernadette (012 2715840)

Please email the transaction slip to the Parish email :

serembanvisitation@gmail.com for the Parish office record purposes.

No Masses during MCO until further notice : Due to Covid - 19

Parish Office will be closed on 01st to 12th May 2020.

Any Emergency kindly call : Nathan (012 6840750) or Collins (016 3647506)

Pray for the Departed Souls of :

- (1) Robert Santhiavoo (d.o.d : 21/04/20)
- (2) Kevin Chin Yong Hua (d.o.d : 21/4/20)
- (3) Peter Devason a/l David Mosses (27/04/20)
- (4) All departed souls of Covid-19 victims

May Perpetual Light shine upon them

➤ **BE IN DIVINE CONSCIOUSNESS :**

Dear Sisters and brothers, once again Peace be yours to enjoy. With the extension of MCO, some of you have taken it well while others maybe fretting due to stress depression, frustration, boredom, reduction in salary and even job loss. **Rom 8 : 28 tells us "all things will work out for good for all these who love God."** Start honouring God more, love Him more and remember Him constantly. When you begin to do that your anxiety or pain will be lessened. With a greater consciousness of the Divine you will become more peaceful and joyful. Continue to pray for the world and one another. Even if you are not a Church goer or believer, constant consciousness of the Divine will work good in you. Stay Safe, Keep Healthy.

Blessings and Peace always ! Frs. Xave and Kenneth.

➤ **Guidelines for Funerals under Movement Control Order**

- a) No public seven days memorial prayers at funeral parlours or at home. The family may perform their own prayers privately. Books may be made available by parish for family use. The family may receive visitors who will briefly pay their respects.
- b) Vigil prayers by the priest and funeral masses are to be conducted in the home or the parlour. This is limited to immediate family members according to National Security Council and MOH guidelines. The main Church cannot be used due to the prohibition under the order.
- c) Other public health precautions (social distancing etc) should be observed
- d) All weddings in March and April are postponed.

➤ **LIVE Broadcast of Archkl Masses from 02nd to 8th May 2020**

- watch the live broadcast at: www.Tv.ArchKL.org

Saturday : 02nd May : 5.00 pm (English); 6.00 pm (Bahasa Malaysia)

**Sunday : 03rd May : Good Shepherd Sunday : 7.30 am (Tamil)
 9.00 am (Mandarin)
 10.30 am (English)**

Weekdays : 04th -08th May : 6.00 pm (English)