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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time



SENT WITH JOY TO HEAL

MONTHLY THEME:

BLOOD POURED OUT FOR YOU AND MANY



FORGIVENESS IS FOR THE STRONG

They say: *"It takes a strong person to say sorry, and it takes an even stronger person to forgive"*. Forgiveness may sometimes feel like a weakness that beckons us to think: *"it's not for me", "everyone else is wrong", "I am right", "they are the ones who offended me first", or "they shouldn't have done that"*. We have heard this often, haven't we?

As often as I look upon the cross, so often will I forgive with all my heart.
- St. Faustina

In his case, Peter, in eagerness, asks Jesus if it is alright to forgive 7 times (3 more than the Jewish scriptural custom). And Jesus yet again astounds them by asking for what seems to be the impossible – *"not seven, but seventy times seven"*. His answer indicated that there is simply no limit to forgiving someone! For if God can forgive us, even for the same offences day-in and day-out, why can't we forgive each other?

However, who could possibly do this? - to forgive again and again? How do you deal with spousal conflicts that turn your life upside down and tears you inside-out? Can you really make sincere amends with a family member whom you haven't spoken to for a long time? How do you forgive a rapist? What if it concerns someone who has abused a child? To those who know the cruel reality of these scars, it may seem impossible to even contemplate forgiveness.

Yet Jesus asks us to go the extra mile. In another instance, Jesus explained that if someone were to ask you for your cloak, that you are to give him your tunic as well; or if someone slaps you on one cheek, to offer the other. Jesus shows us that forgiveness is possible, and that forgiveness bears fruits. He did this not only through His words, but also His actions. In this way, **Jesus revealed the identity of God**, that He is a God who is love and tenderness, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

The following adage seems to capture our human struggles quite accurately: *"the more you know yourself, the more you forgive yourself"*. The development of our self-awareness bears even more fruits than this however, in that it in turn leads us to be more forgiving of others. Let us remember that forgiveness adorns the single most important commandment – to love God and to love your neighbour as yourself.

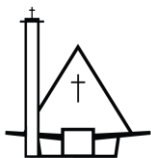
Truly, to forgive others is to set a prisoner free, and to do so is to discover that the prisoner was YOU! †



Scripture of the Day:

- Sir. 27: 33 - 28: 7;
- Ps 102: 1-4, 9-12;
- Rom. 14: 7-9;
- Mt 18: 21-35.

Weekly WORD
Jesus revealed the identity of God



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Parish Office Hours

Monday: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday – Friday: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

[Lunch Break: 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm]

Saturday: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm; 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am – 12:00 noon

* The Office is closed on Public Holidays

MASS SCHEDULE: SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2020

Date	Sat - 5:30 pm	Sun - 9:00 am	Sun - 5:00 pm
19 / 20 Sept	English	Tamil	No Mass
26 / 27 Sept	Tamil	English	Senior Citizens
03 / 04 Oct	English	Tamil	English
10 / 11 Oct	English	Tamil	Tamil

ADDITIONAL MASS STARTING OCTOBER 2020

Given that we can now allow more people to attend Mass, there will be an additional Sunday evening Mass starting October 2020. The Sunday evening mass will alternate between English and Tamil. We will re-evaluate the attendance at these Masses at the end of October and then decide for the following months.

ATTENDING MASS AT CHURCH

During the pandemic recovery period, in order to attend mass at Church, kindly register in one of the following ways:

- (1) Contact your BEC coordinator (one-time registration).
- (2) Call the Parish Office.
- (3) Online: <https://fatimachurchkl.com/management-system>.

*You will receive a confirmation notice to attend Mass at Church.

MASS FOR THOSE OVER THE AGE OF 70

With effect from 13 September 2020, we are introducing a Sunday evening Mass @ 5:00 pm (twice a month – 13 & 27 Sept)) for those who are 70 years of age and above ONLY. Those who are intending to attend must be in fairly good health and are not in any health related “high risk groups”. Please be mindful that the government SOP still “discourages” those in this age category from attending public gatherings. If you are planning to return to public Mass (aware of the guidelines and SOP), kindly consult your family members/caregivers/physician and weigh the risks for yourself and others, before deciding to come for Mass. Please contact your BEC Coordinator or the Parish Office (03.2274 1631) to register. Given that we need to maintain greater social distancing, seats are limited. By attending Mass at Church, you acknowledge and voluntarily assume the risk associated with your age and agree not to hold the Church liable for admitting you for Mass.

HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME

As we move into “Phase 2” of bringing Holy Communion to those who are not able to come to Mass because of the restrictions imposed, we ask you to contact your BEC Coordinator so that they can compile a list of those who would like to receive Holy Communion at home. We will then group them into smaller groups and assign BEC coordinators and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) to bring communion at least once a month. The distribution of Holy Communion at home will follow the safety and health guidelines that will be made known to the EMHC.

KEEP OUR CHURCH GOING

In the absence of weekly Mass collections, our parish needs your help to remain operational. Parishioners who would like to continue giving your weekly Sunday offerings & donations to the Church, can do so in several ways:

1. Online transfer - CIMB 8000833691 (please inform the Parish Office by phone / text message / email.
2. At the Parish Office.
3. Through your BEC Coordinator / Friend.
4. Offertory when attending Sunday mass.

**Please be assured that all monies received (apart from offerings at Mass) will be issued an official receipt. If you need assistance or more information, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you to those who have been regularly contributing generously.*

MASS OFFERINGS

Online transactions for Mass Offerings to the Church are available. For details, please call the Parish Office or go to: <https://fatimachurchkl.com/donate>

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

This year the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish will be held of Saturday, 17 October 2020 at 10:00 am. Due to the pandemic, only limited number of people will be allowed to attend: The candidate, the parents, and sponsor. We ask for your cooperation and understanding. There will be a rehearsal for the candidates on 10 October 2020 at 11:00 am.

RCIA: SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

The candidates for the Sacraments of Initiation who were supposed to have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation at Easter this year will now receive them on 16 September 2020. Kindly keep them in your prayer.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Students preparing for their First Holy Communion (FHC) will be making their FHC on Sunday, 25 Oct and 8 Nov 2020 at 5:00 pm. Due to the social distancing, we are having 2 sessions so as to allow the students to have family and friends present to celebrate with them. They will make their first Sacrament of Reconciliation on 10 Oct 2020 between 10:00am – 11:00am.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith? Interested in becoming Catholic? Would you know someone who wants to become Catholic? Invite them to the RCIA or to get in touch with us. Please drop us an email at fatimachurch@archkl.org

CATHOLIC STUDENTS UNIVERSITY MALAYA

The Catholic Students from University Malaya are happy to invite all the Catholic newcomers to University of Malaya to join our exciting activities, i.e. fortnightly family gatherings, annual camp, family day and etc. For more details, please contact Nicole Yeo @ 016-552 9800 or Daryl Chong @ 012-323 3118

WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

This year on 27 September 2020, the Church celebrates the 106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees with the theme ‘Forced like Jesus to Flee’. This day in the Church’s calendar provides us an occasion to express concern to the different vulnerable people on the move. Apart from praying for them, let us bear in mind that each one of us in our own capacity and small ways can make a difference in the lives of migrants and refugees: Be compassionate as your Heavenly Father is compassionate (Lk 6:36).

PROTECT OUR EARTH, PROTECT OUR CHILDREN CAMPAIGN

This five-year campaign focusses this year on the need to conserve electricity. Let us all do our part to save our planet, our common home, for the sake of the generations to come.

POPE’S MONTHLY INTENTIONS – SEPTEMBER 2020

Respect for the Planet’s Resources - We pray that the planet’s resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.