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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time

HOPE: BELIEVE, LIVE AND GIVE

MONTHLY THEME:

BRIDGING CULTURAL BOUNDARIES

GOD'S GRACE AT WORK IN THE HARVEST

The tale of harvest and the celebration of it is a yearly affair for East Malaysians. At the end of May, Sabahans celebrate the Kaamatan Festival, while Sarawakians will have their Gawai do during the first two days of June. Usually, in June, the Church in Peninsular Malaysia will also celebrate with the East Malaysians (and Indonesians) over a day's event and combine these two festivals to offer thanksgiving to God for a bountiful harvest.



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SCRIPTURE QUOTE
TO MEMORISE:

"It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High."

(Ps. 91:1)

Culturally, Kaamatan and Gawai bring about the spirit of unity and solidarity, cutting across race and religion. Cultural and religious mingling is not only acceptable, but it is lived. Truly, for as long as this generation can remember, East Malaysians have lived together in enviable harmony, as each one plays his or her part in not sowing seeds of discord.

Mark's gospel today is also a tale of seeds sowing. Jesus preaches in parables to the people in the 'agricultural' language the people are familiar with. In telling them about the Kingdom of God, the Sower goes about sowing seeds, and allowing the plants to grow on their own, 'how he knows not.' It is about God's grace at work in the harvest, much like God's grace growing in 'the land below the winds', and the 'land of the hornbills.'

Time and tide wait for no man, so also the Lord. He goes about sowing, about loving people all over and get those who are in tune with his Spirit to sow alongside. The fruits are the harmonious relationship amongst the people, like the plant, flowering and fruiting to its contentment.

As Christians living in a multi-religious and multi-cultural society, we have to have a Kingdom mind-set. It begins by our doing away with 'I', 'Me', and 'Mine.' It is not about taking on big tasks but be about God's signposts, pointing fellow pilgrims in the right direction. For most of us, our roles may even be hidden, insignificant. But this is how Jesus speaks to us – in the parable of the mustard seed. **Never underestimate that tiny seed.** The deeds we do in his Name may have a lasting influence far beyond our comprehension. For you see, the main Sower is the Lord and he sees to the growing, the nurturing and the harvesting.

Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will Be Done on Earth as it is in Heaven. ✚

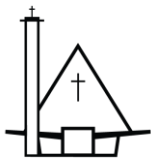
SCRIPTURE
of the DAY

Ez 17, 22-24;

Ps 91, 2-3, 13-16;

2 Cor 5, 6-10;

Mk 4, 26-34.



CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

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Parish Office Hours:
Office closed during the MCO (1-14 June 2021)

To contact the Parish Office outside office hours, kindly
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DURING THE MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER (1 – 14 JUNE)

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

Kindly note that our Parish Office is closed during the Movement Control Order (1-14 June 2021). In case of an emergency, you may call or text: 016.650 5039 or email: fatimachurch@archkl.org

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PUBLIC MASSES

Kindly be informed that all public Masses are temporarily suspended throughout the Archdiocese of Kuala Lumpur until further notice. During this period, online Masses will continue. Please go to: tv.archkl.org. Stay safe.

GATHERINGS AND MEETINGS IN CHURCH

All in-persons gatherings and meetings in parishes, churches, chapels and Mass centres are to be suspended until further notice. Meetings may be held using online platforms.

WEDDINGS IN CHURCH (Updated 01 June 2021)

All weddings within churches are postponed until further notice.

FUNERALS IN CHURCH (Updated 01 June 2021)

Funeral Masses may be celebrated with a maximum number of 12 persons ((which should include the priest, assisting ministers and family members). All those attending should be preregistered and will be allocated seat/ row numbers to facilitate contact tracing.

BEC ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED

As we are now in MCO 3.0, once again the livelihoods of many people are affected, especially the poor, daily wage earners, elderly who living alone, etc. Please do ask your BEC members to keep a lookout in their respective neighbourhoods. If there are families or individuals in need of food during this period, please do let us know, and together with the SSVP of our parish, we can offer some assistance. Let's help one another during this difficult period.



ATTENDING MASS ONLINE

All over the world, there are online Masses being celebrated daily throughout the day. There is a Mass every hour and this provides us the opportunity to join any one of them. If you would like to know the schedule on live online Masses, go to:

<https://mass-online.org/daily-holy-mass-live-online/>



MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

The Month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the second Sunday after Pentecost. In addition to the liturgical celebration, many devotional exercises are connected with the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Understood in the light of the Scriptures, the term "Sacred Heart of Jesus" denotes the entire mystery of Christ, the totality of his being, and his

person considered in its most intimate essential: Son of God, uncreated wisdom; infinite charity, principal of the salvation and sanctification of mankind. The "Sacred Heart" is Christ, the Word Incarnate, our Saviour.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

The weekly novena to Our Lady of Perpetual help will be conducted online every Saturday at 4:00 pm during the MCO period. You are cordially invited to join in praying with us. To join the weekly the rosary and novena, please go to our YouTube channel: <https://bit.ly/olf-kl> or Facebook Page: facebook.com/fatima.church

ONLINE CATECHISM CLASSES

Our online catechism classes have been progressing since the beginning of the year. Attendance at the classes has been encouraging despite the limitations of using an online platform. We continue to ask parents to encourage their children to attend regularly as given the situation, this is the only form of faith education is possible. Please assist the teachers so that they can help your children.



SUNDAY OFFERINGS & DONATIONS

At a time when all public masses are suspended, you now have the convenience of giving your Sunday offering or donations via the Touch n Go App. Kindly scan the QR Code, key in the amount, and send. The full amount (without any deductions from the service provider) will be credited into the Church account the following day. Thank you.

CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA



Have your customers scan this QR code to receive payments.

MASS OFFERINGS

You can continue the practice of offering Mass intentions as follows:

Bank Details: CIMB

Account Name: Church of Our Lady of Fatima

Account Number: 800 083 3691

Amount and Description

Please indicate in the online transfer the following details Amount and the Mass Intention (please include your name and the intention, e.g. Thanksgiving / Special Intention / RIP).

Confirmation (Bank-in Slip)

It is important that you send us the transaction confirmation details: Email: fatimachurch@archkl.org or WhatsApp: 016.650 5039



BOOKING TO ATTEND MASS

To attend Mass once the MCO is lifted and our churches re-open, you may do so in any one of the following ways:

- Contact your BEC Coordinator.
- Call the Parish Office @ 03.2274 1631.
- Register online: <http://bit.ly/olf-mass-booking>

Kindly wait for a text message before attending Mass. Do not turn up if you have not been given a time slot via text message

STAY SAFE
together we will get through this