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NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

17th Sunday of Ordinary Time

HOPE: BELIEVE, LIVE AND GIVE

MONTHLY THEME:

OPEN YOUR MOUTH, DEFEND THE OPPRESSED

GOD CAN DO *the Impossible!*

“The Lord will provide” is the key message that runs across the scripture readings today. The first reading describes the trust that the prophet Elisha has in God as he believes that God will provide enough food for the hundred men gathered at the place. He also knows that not only will there be sufficient food, but the people “will eat and have some left over”.



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SCRIPTURE QUOTE TO MEMORISE:

“The Lord is just in all his ways, and loving in all his deeds.”

(Ps. 145: 17)

In the gospel passage, Jesus feels compassion for the people and wants to feed them. The disciples, however, are not so confident. They point out that they do not have enough money or the food available is not sufficient to feed the more than five thousand people gathered there. Jesus, however, trusts in his Father. He prays and gives thanks to the Father, and miraculously provides food for all the people. And not only was there enough food for everyone, there were leftovers which are collected into twelve baskets.

The followers of Elisha and Jesus did not have the confidence that there will be enough food for those gathered around them. In other words, they lacked trust that God will provide for their needs. This is a natural human response in the face of an “impossible” situation. How do we provide for so many when we do not have enough? But, **with God, there is nothing impossible, if we trust in Him!**

God’s provision for us is not limited only to food or other material things. It goes beyond these, for God wishes us to have an abundant life (John 10: 10), meaning God wishes to provide for us in all areas of our lives. For those who have experienced loss, or who live through fragments of broken relationships and broken hearts, today Christ says, “you will have enough” and that “nothing will be lost.” He hears the cries of his brothers and sisters. He has borne our suffering and continues to abide with us. He will make all things possible in his time!

Believe that what is impossible for us is indeed possible for God. ✚

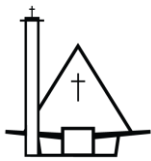
SCRIPTURE of the DAY

2 Kgs. 4: 42-44;

Ps. 144: 10-11.
15-18;

Eph. 4: 1-6;

Jn. 6: 1-15.



CHURCH OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA

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The Parish Office closed during the MCO. If you need to contact us, kindly call or text: 016.650 5039 or you may email: fatimachurch@archkl.org

To contact the Parish Office outside office hours, kindly WhatsApp: 016.650 5039 (emergencies only).



CONFIRMATION CAMP

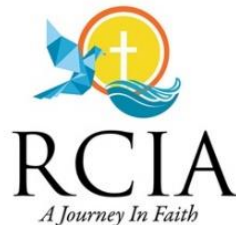
Our students preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation this year will be attending an "online camp" this weekend 24 & 25 July 2021. Kindly lift them in your prayer during this weekend that God will inspire them to be more effective evangelisers of the Good News.

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults who may have missed receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation during their teenage years, may register for the RCIA program which begin in August 2021. Please contact the Parish Office indicating your interest to join via email: fatimachurch@archkl.org

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Are you or anyone you know interested in exploring the Catholic faith? Have you been sitting in the pew next to your Catholic spouse for years wondering what you have to do to become Catholic? Consider this a personal invitation and a challenge to all of you who might know someone who is seeking God and invite that person to the RCIA – a process through which adults become members of the Roman Catholic Church. We will begin the RCIA in our parish in August 2021. For more information or to register, please email: fatimachurch@archkl.org



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-k> or Facebook: facebook.com/fatima.church



WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

At the beginning of this year, Pope Francis announced the institution of *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly*, which will take place each year on the fourth Sunday in July, close to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. This Sunday (25 July) we celebrate the gift of grandparents and the elderly. Let us thank God for the gift of them and pray for our grandparents and the elderly in our families and communities.



FOOD AID

Thank you to the many people who have responded to our appeal towards the food aid drive. The support has been overwhelming. This has made it possible for us to provide food rations to the vulnerable and needy. We have been giving out to families in and around Brickfields food ration to hopefully last 2-3 weeks. If you know of anyone in need, please let us know.

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. Please call or WhatsApp: 016.650 5039



PARISH OFFICE

Kindly note that our Parish Office is closed during the Movement Control Order. However, our staffs are still working from home. If you need to contact the Parish Office, you may call or text: 016.650 5039 or email: fatimachurch@archkl.org

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.

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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: 8000833691



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