"The world doesn't need what women have, it needs what women are."

St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)



# SCRIPTURE of the DAY

Acts 9: 26-31

Psalm 21: 26-28, 30-32

1John 3: 18-24

John 15: 1-8

The days to follow after Jesus' discourse are crucial for his disciples. Do the disciples understand what it means to be pruned? Perhaps not, given the fear, apprehension and later loss of faith before the resurrection. The disciples are to endure hardship and suffering through this pruning process in order to stay attached to the true Vine, who is the source of divine life. In his infinite wisdom, the Lord allows these hardships to befall his followers. His desire is for them to later bear more fruit.

Post resurrection story – After his conversion St Paul himself is not someone who is readily accepted. The believers fear him but under the mentorship of Barnabas, Paul goes to become one of the greatest disciples of the Lord. He is known by his fruits as he boldly proclaims Christ even as he faces opposition. And with the consolation of the Spirit, the Church grows in numbers.

What is our takeaway today? That in baptism we have an organic relationship with Christ. We are joined to Him, and are nourished by His Word and the Sacraments. Like Paul, our lives must bear witness to Jesus and all that we do to reflect Him. And if we are undergoing hardships, take to heart that the suffering is not punitive but transformative.

God prunes us here and there, where necessary because He just wants to shape us into the image of the True Vine, our Lord Jesus Christ. 'Remain in me, as I in you. Together we will bear much fruit.'

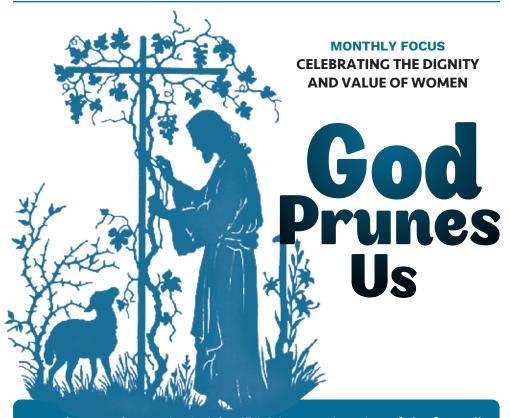
NEW WAY OF BEING CHURCH

28 April 2024

5th Sunday of Easter

SALT OF THE EARTH AND LIGHT OF THE WORLD:

CELEBRATING, LISTENING AND WALKING TOGETHER IN A SPIRIT OF COMMUNION PARTICIPATION AND MISSION. (MATTHEW 5: 13-16)



The gospel narrative in John 15:1-8 is a continuation of the farewell discourse of Jesus. He is intensely preparing his beloved disciples for his imminent departure. In tender words, Jesus tells them to 'remain in him', giving an allegory of a vine and its branches. Jesus, the Vine, is himself attached to the Vinedresser, His Father. He says the branches will not survive if they are cut off from the vine. However, in order to bear more fruits, every branch needs to be pruned. The Vinedresser at his discretion will prune the branches accordingly.

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#### FR MITCHEL'S DIARY

#### **MAY 2024**

May 1 Worker's Day May 3 1st Friday/H/Hour May 5 Children's Liturgy Ascension Thursday May 9 May 12 Mother's Day May 14-15 Clergy Recollection May 19 Pentecost May 25 Wedding Mass Closing of the May 31 Month of the Rosary

#### **Interested to Serve** in a Ministry?

Family Life

Christopher Cheong & Christine Chua 012-7990774 / 012-3142864

Evergreens' Ministry

Desmond Nathan (012-2017210) Street Shepherd Outreach (SSO)

Stanley Sim (017-3931975) & Sharom (012-3111251) Orang Asli Ministry

Carrol Lawrence (012-4300616) Medical Mission

Dr Tony Henderson Jeyarajah (016-5979086)

Ministry of the Poor

Nicholas Anthony (012-6870905)

Prison Ministry

Andrea Dias (012-6530480)

Justice & Peace (formerly Women's Desk)

Andrea Fernandez (012-3079844)

Migrant Ministry

Theresa Janey (012-2367316)

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#### THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

- 1. These classes are for Enquirers wanting to know the Catholic Faith:
- 2. They are also for Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation;
- 3. It is also for Christians wanting to be received into the Catholic Faith:
- 4. And it is also very much for Catholics who want to grow in their faith!
  - BM (Sundays): 2.30pm 4.30pm Celestina Gabriel (011-36088834)
  - Tamil & Mandarin (Thu): 8.00pm 10.00pm Olivia Carine Woo (M) (012-7601669) Susela Mary (T) (016-9855438)
- English (Saturdays): 3.00pm 5.30pm Michael & Jacintha Yap (019-3168639)

This is a faith and psychology session conducted by a professional Counsellor. Parents, catechists and parishioners are strongly recommended to attend. JULY 27, 2024 @ Jesus Caritas, Kepong 9.30am - 4.30pm Rm15.00 per person For more info. contact: Alison 017-6076557



# **YOUTH OF THE PARISH**

are invited to an Evening of Praise & Worship this evening April 25, 2024 (8pm - 10pm)Function Hall. There is also a potluck fellowship.

> DO COME & **CELEBRATE!**



#### 2024 THEME: SALT OF THE EARTH, LIGHT OF THE WORLD - Communion. Participation and Mission -

'Family Love: A Vocation and a Path to Holiness' (August 2023 - July 2024)

April 2024: Celebrating the Dignity & Value of Women (Lk 24:8-10)

PCC Chairperson: Edmond Anthony (012-3926709) PFC Chairperson: Peter Xavier (012-6320530)

BECOT Coordinator: Michael Joseph (018-4020199)

Any donations & other offerings may be made payable to: 'Gereja Katolik Good Shepherd'(Affin Bank)

A/C No. 1001-9000-7211.

Please state your payment preference

Mass times: Sundays -: 7.30am (T), 9.30am (E), 11.15am, (M), 12.45pm (BM) 21/04: 9.45am Mass

Saturdays 20/04 5.30pm Mass Sunset Mass - 5.15pm Rosary; 6.00pm (Mass - English)

Weekdays: Tue-Thu: 6.30am; Fri (7pm) (Check Mass list for any weekly changes)

Parish Office: Tue - Fri (9.00am-5.00pm)

Sat: (9am-1pm; 3.30pm-6pm); Sun: (8.30am-1.00pm)

Mondays & public holidays

# THANK YOU, BRO ALBERT FOR HAVING BEING WITH US @ GSC. BE ASSURED OF OUR PRAYERS AS YOU JOURNEY TOWARDS YOUR PRIESTHOOD. GOD BLESS YOU!

BRO ALBERT WILL SERVE AT THE CHURCH OF DIVINE MERCY. SHAH ALAM FROM MAY 1, 2024

# IT IS WORKER'S DAY - MAY 1 'LORD, WE THANK YOU FOR THE GIFT OF **WORK'**

#### FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR & MASS

# FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2024

- 6.30pm Rosary
- 7.00pm Holy Hour
- 8.00pm MASS followed by a
- simple fellowship
- Come & spend time before our Lord of the Eucharist

#### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



...on May 5 at the Chapel @ 9.30am.

For children of the ages 7 - 9 years

## **NEOPHYTES (NEWLY-BAPTISED)** SESSION:

"In the Service of His Kingdom"

...will be held on Sun, May 5 from 10.30am - 12noon at the Function Hall. Members from various Ministries in the Parish will share with them how they can serve in the greater community of GSC. We continue to pray for them

#### MAY - MONTH OF THE ROSARY



We express with particular interest, the praying of the Rosary during the month of May. Let us welcome our Blessed Mother Mary into our homes, our BECs, our Parish community

# WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

A stay-in weekend (Eng) for married couples on June 21 - 23, 2024 @ APC, KL, Couples interested in attending may contact: James 019-3562321 or Mandy 012-3718973.

## RETROUVAILLE LIVE-IN WEEKEND

RETROUVAILLE can help you if you want to have a try at repairing your marriage. Date: 7<sup>th</sup> (Fri) – 9<sup>th</sup> (Sun) June 2024. For info, please call Francis / Angeline at 016-330660 or 012-2072150 or email: retrouvaille@archkl.org.

#### THANK YOU FOR YOUTH SUPPORT

The Youth of the Parish wish to express their gratitude to all who supported them in their recent programs to raise funds (RM1200) for an Orphanage Home:

- + Car Wash on 14/04: RM500.00
- + Sale of candles on Good Shepherd Feast - 20/04: RM700.00

## **WEEKEND COLLECTION & OTHERS**

April 16-19 (GSC Feast days) = RM4818.50 April 20-21 (GS Feast) = RM7687.60

## CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

8, Jalan Air Putih, Setapak, 53200 Kuala Lumpur *Parish Priest: Rev Fr Mitchel Anthony Joseph* 

April 27 - May 4, 2024

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April: 5.15pm Rosary; 6.00pm (Sunset Mass – E)

5th Sunday of Easter (Year B) Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Souls: Dennis Khoo Chuan Aun, G L Gomez, Mandy Yeong Mow Yoong, Ivy Agnes Anthony &

Anthony Balasubramaniam, Francis Ng Sun Hi & Maria Low Yon Moy, Philip & Ann Chong, Reginald Raj, Annie Chiew Kim Neo, Magdalene Tan Poh Ghaik, Seelan Paul, John Low Teik Ban, Richard Ng Cheng Kit, Francis De Rozario, Betty Beng Neo Stevenson, Louis Michael, Henry Jayasuria, Margaret Francis, Kurzon Stancilaus

Fernandez, R Sinniah, Souls in purgatory (by Bernard Morden)

**Sp Int:** Sarah Inez, Shayna Ashley, Chua Li Ann (studies), Alvena Merici ak Ramis (studies),

Maryjane Jewa Simbai & Saran Sarjit Singh

Thanksg: Sharon De Padua, Andrea, Harry Daniel Solomon & fly (SJ), Christopher Tan Chee Kiong,

Chua Joon Hin

Sunday 28th April: Masses: 7.30am (T), 9.30am (E), 11.15am (M), 12.45pm (BM)

**5**<sup>TH</sup> **SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year B)** *Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8* 

**Souls:** Peter Foo Loong Fong, Harvey Gerard Krishnan, G L Gomez, Victor Thomas & Helene

Antoinette, John Lim Sin Chai, Francis Ng Sun Hi & Maria Low Yon Moy, Anthony Tan Yang Ngee, Annie Chiew Kim Neo, Magdalene Tan Poh Ghaik, Olga Phillips, Xavier Saverimuthu, Andrew Ledchumanan, John Low Teik Ban, Luciana Mary Nunis, Albert Ashton Fernandez, Richard Ng Cheng Kit, Francis De Rozario, Aaron W Stevenson, Mary Chong Siew Yoke, Mdm Lily Mathew, Daisy Williams, R Joseph Cyril, Pacianathan Arulappan Joseph, Thiruchelva, Chong Kok Leong, Wong Ah Mook, Siew Choon Heong, Chin Lin, Pak Ngan, Chai Chuan, Anthony Chai Hen, Theresa Bek

Ah Chwe, Souls in purgatory (by Bernard Morden, Camilla)

**Sp Int:** Millie F, Xavier Lourdes Carmel (b'day), Annie Lim, Natasha Anne, Margaret Tan,

Amy Tan (health), Joan Wong, Annie & Tyler, Stephen P (healing), Joseph Arulananthan,

Richard Chua (b'day)

**Thanksq:** Margaret Joyce, Harry Daniel Solomon & fly (SA), Iverson Lee Yoong Jie, Tarisa,

Peter & Daphne (Wed Ann), Mabel Sinnadurai

Monday 29th April: (5th Week of Easter) St Catherine of Siena, Vir & Doc (Office closed)

Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26

**NO MASS** 

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Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April: 6.30am Mass (5<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter) St Pius V, Pope

Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

**Souls:** Annie Chiew Kim neo, Magdalene Tan Poh Ghaik, John Low Teik Ban, Richard Ng

Cheng Kit, Francis De Rozario, Charles William Kraal, Bob Gomes

**Sp Int:** Ann Zarina Kraal, Natasha Anne, Kitty Leong, Collin Bhaskaran & fly

**Thanksg:** Sahaya Mary, Mr & Mrs Peter (8<sup>th</sup> Wed Ann), Amy D'cruz, Joseph Praba (b'day)

Wednessday 1st May: (5th Week of Easter) St Joseph the Worker - Worker's Day (public hol)

Gen 1:26-2:3 or Col 3:14-15,23-24; Mt 13:54-58

(Office closed)

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May: 6.30am Mass (5<sup>th</sup> W

2<sup>nd</sup> May: 6.30am Mass (5<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter / St Atanasius, Bp & Doc)

Acts 15:7-21: Jn 15:9-11

**Souls:** Annie Chiew Kim Neo, Magdalene Tan Poh Ghaik, Richard Ng Cheng Kit,

Francis De Rozario, John Low Teik Ban, Grace Wong Gaik Choo (18th Ann),

Annalise Ooi Guat Looi, LTM Aaron W Stevenson

Sp Int: -

<u>Thanksg</u>: Kraal fly, Marie J

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May: 1<sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY: 6.30pm Rosary; 7.00pm Holy Hour; 8.00pm Mass

(STS PHILIP & JAMES, Apostles)

1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14

**Souls:** Annie Chiew Kim Neo, Magdalene Tan Poh Ghaik, Richard Ng Cheng Kit, Francis

De Rozario, Christopher A Peris (4th Ann), Magdaline Chang Bee Eng, Kulanthaisamy

Soosaimanikam, Beryl & Alfonso Luis, John Low Teik Ban

**Sp Int:** Clergy of KL Archdiocese

**Thanksg:** Mr & Mrs Raymond Michael (16<sup>th</sup> Wed Ann)

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May: 5.15pm Rosary; 6.00pm (Sunset Mass – E)

6th Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

**Souls:** Dennis Khoo Chuan Aun, Sebastian Khoo Tain Chai & Grace Wong Gaik Choo,

G L Gomez, Joseph (Mani) Fernandez, George Wong Kim Hoy, Katherine Wong Chock Choo, Elsie Wong Lian Choo, Lilian Wong Poh Choo, Annie Tung Ah Har, Mandy Yeong Mow Yoong, Nancy Kok Fatt Chun, Joyce Lim, Annie Chiew Kim Neo, Magdalene Tan Poh Ghaik, Henry Jayasuria, Francis Ng Sun Hi & Maria Low Yon Moy, Thomas Ng Ah Hoon & Maria Lim Lak Mooi, Richard Ng Cheng Kit, Teresa @ Toh Liew Yoke, Francis De Rozario, Philip & Ann Chong, John Low Teik Ban, Pauline Iruthayaraj (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann), Roger Anthony Child (2<sup>nd</sup> Ann), Souls in purgatory (by Bernard Morden,

Theresa Jayasuria)

**Sp Int:** Sarah Inez, Milla Sophia

**Thanksg:** Sharon De Padua, Andrea, Harry Daniel Solomon & fly (SJ), Robert Samy (b'day)