

WEEK 51

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24 DECEMBER 2017



# THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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**Welcome to a gathering of God's people.**

## COLLECT FOR TODAY:

Raise up your great power, Lord, and come among us to save us, that, although through our sins we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your plentiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through the sufficiency of your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be honour and glory, now and forever. Amen.

圣莫妮卡小学  
Sekolah St Monica

运动场  
Kompleks Sukan

Jalan Sibuga

*Blessed Christmas*

圣诞快乐

*Selamat Hari Krismas*



Christmas Day Service - 25/12  
Vision School Hall - 9:00 a.m.

圣诞节崇拜

圣愿小学礼堂 - 9:00 早上

Kebaktian Hari Krismas  
Dewan Sekolah Visi - 9:00 pagi

Jalan Old Lai Fook Kim

Jalan Labuk



善牧堂  
Gereja  
Good Shepherd



圣愿小学  
Vision School Hall

## FAMILY MATTERS

**Welcome** to a gathering of God's people. We gather to worship Jesus. To sing praises to Him, to confess our sins to Him, to listen to His word, to pray to Him, to remember His death and to encourage one another to obey Him in our daily lives.

**'BIG THANK YOU'** to our carolling teams who sang carols from home to home and sharing the Good News. To date, the total carolling proceeds for this year amounted to RM63,596.20. The amount will be channeled to the Vision School Fund.

### Baptism

The following people are baptized into the family of God this morning at the Chinese Service:

- Eunice Koh Qi En,
- Chin Kin Nam

### Christmas Celebration

#### 24 Dec, today -

- 2:30 p.m. - NO Service
- 9:00 p.m., Church - ***Christmas Eve Celebration;*** presenting a vibrant & modern nativity play, dance presentations, carols & launching of COGS website. ..

[[www.cogssandakan.com](http://www.cogssandakan.com)]

#### 25 Dec, Mon - Christmas Day

- 9:00 a.m. - ***Trilingual. Combined Christmas Day Holy Communion Service,*** at Vision Hall, Sibuga;
- Due to limited parking space at the Vision School, it's advisable to park your cars at the Church compound. The church vans will transport you there.

- from 5:30 pm onwards — “bring a dish” Christmas dinner to share with one another; please bring your own plates, spoons & forks.
- also we bid farewell to our Rector.

**Venue: COGS Barrett Hall.**

- **26 & 27 Dec**— Kindly be informed that with the blessing from Ad Moses Chin, the church office will be closed.
- **30 & 31 Dec** — Time for Services as usual. BM & English combined.
- **31 Dec**
  - Ad Moses and his family will leave us for his new destination, Christ Church, K K. We thank Ad Moses for his guidance and leadership at COGS all these years. Our heartfelt gratefulness to Mrs Lorraine and the children for their warm fellowship. May the Lord bless and guide them as they bless other people too.
- **06 Jan 2018, 2:00 pm**
  - **The sisters fellowship** monthly gathering will meet at Grace Hall.





**CHRISTMAS MESSAGE**  
***The Announcement of Angel Gabriel to Mary***  
~ Luke 1:26-38

***Introduction***

**1. God's initiative through the Announcement of angel Gabriel**

~Luke 1:26-27

- ◆ God sent angel Gabriel to Nazareth (v 26).
- ◆ God sent angel Gabriel to deliver God's plan to Mary (v 27).

**2. God's initiative chose the virgin Mary**

~Luke 1:27-29

- ◆ God chose Mary because her husband Joseph is a descendant of David (v 27). See Matthew 1:16
- ◆ God chose Mary because her character pleased God (v 29). Why? See
  - Luke 1:30 [found favour with God]
  - Luke 1:29; 2:19, 51 [thoughtful],
  - Luke 1:38 [obedient]
  - Luke 1:45 [believing]
  - Luke 1:46 [worshipful]
  - Luke 2:22-51 [a faithful follower of God's law]

**3. God's initiative express three important things about Jesus**

~Luke 1:31-35

- ◆ **His position:** Son of God, Son of the Most High, ruler
- ◆ **His authority:** seated on Israel's throne forever; ruler of a kingdom that will never end
- ◆ **His divine ties:** the Holy Spirit will come... and... overshadow you.

***Conclusion***

*"Nothing is impossible with God"*

So what is your answer to this end time when the world does not acknowledge the second coming of Jesus?

## FAMILY MATTERS

### LOVE OUR DIOCESE

#### SI QUIS

##### ○ **Ordination to the Priesthood**

- *Revd Tutik Garuda* - St Mark's Church, Lahad Datu
- *Revd Paul Chin Yew* - Menggatal Anglican Church
- *Revd Samson Soh Chue Tet* - St Andrew's Church, Beluran

##### ○ **Ordination to the Diaconate**

- *Pastor Nelson Tai* - All Saints' Cathedral, KK
- *Pastor Rojie Songkia* - Church of The Good Samaritan, Penampang
- *Ev Malintas Madaut* - St Augustine's Mission District, Merotai
- *Ev Winson Susir* - Misi Daerah Roh Kudus, Minusoh
- *Mr James Wong Kim Khui* - St Patrick's Church, Tawau
- *Mr Samuel Chong Tsui Min* - All Saints' Cathedral, KK

If anyone knows of any cause or just impediment as to why they should not be so ordained and admitted to the Priesthood/Diaconate, he or she should declare it in writing to the Bishop. This is the first time of notice.

#### **Services Attendance/Communicants**

Hakka I [Sat] - 7:30 p.m.	206	179
Hakka II - 7:00 a.m.	205	178
English - 9:30 a.m.	164	149
BM - 9:30 a.m.	389	244
Hakka III - 2:30 p.m.	67	57
Mawar Children	-	
Labuk Children (Ch)	-	
Labuk Children (En)	-	
BM Children	-	
<b>Total</b>	1031	807

## Lord, teach us how to pray ...

✧ **For Our World - MOLDOVA**, in Europe, in between Romania and Ukraine. Population 3.4 million.

- Politics — pray for peace in a nation of constant unresolved political problems.
- Economy— nation has rich agricultural land but poorly managed.
- Welfare — unemployment and alcohol abuse are widespread problem.

✧ **For Malaysia - Drugs problem**

- Social problem of drugs abuse and trafficking, remain a major problem.
- For more stringent control of all entry point.
- For more effective education and teaching in schools to students of this problem.

✧ **For Our Diocese - St Matthew's Church, Semporna.**

- Revd Jeremiah Liew Nyuk En.
- For his preparation to transfer to Indah Anglican Church, Sandakan at the end of the year.
- For the new priest to continue with the ministry there.

✧ **For Our Parish - COGS Care Groups.**

- For all zone leaders and care group leaders.
- For commitment of the leaders in their roles assigned during their weekly meetings.
- For more care groups to be formed especially in Sibuga & Mawar area.

✧ For the sick: Mr Chin Tshun Leong, Mdm Teo Joo Lian, Ps N F Soo, Mdm Lee Soi Chin, Mr Eng Fook Kit, Mdm Chang Suk Heng, Mdm Emily Lau, Miss Vivian Chin, Mdm Lai Nyuk Jin, Mdm Chia Soon Yin, Mr Leong Kam Lun, Mdm Tay Phui Teen and Mr Chong Hyun Vui.

✧ **For personal requests.**

<b>Order of Service</b>	<b><i>This Sunday combined Eng &amp; BM</i></b>	<b><i>Next Sunday (31/12/17) (Eng / BM combined)</i></b>
<i>Introit Hymn</i>	<b>Angels from the realm of glory (HfTC 77)</b>	<b>O Come All Ye Faithful (HfTC 65)</b>
<i>Greetings</i>	Ho Sui Ting, Albert Lintikan	Stephanie Chin Vincent Angkom
<i>Praise &amp; Worship</i>	Ang Pian Ming, Janikah Jeppy	Claudia Lopez, Viola Idin
<i>Collect for Today</i>		
<i>Bible Reading</i>	<b>Romans 16: 25—end</b> Ho Sui Ting (Eng)	<b>Galatians 4: 4 - 7</b> Stephanie Chin (Eng)
<i>Nicene Creed</i>		
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	<b>Luke 1: 26—38</b> Enc Albert Lintikan (BM)	<b>Luke 2: 15 - 21</b> Vincent Angkom (BM)
<i>Message</i>	<b>Christ is born</b> by Rector	By Rector
<i>Response Hymn</i>		
<i>Intercession</i>	—	<b>Denny Chong</b>
<i>Confession</i>		
<i>Offertory Hymn</i>	<b>"Ounsikou Ginawoku"</b>	<b>The First Noel, the Angels did say (HfTC 93)</b>
<i>Holy Communion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving, Blessing &amp; Dismissal</i>		
<i>Thanksgiving Hymn</i>	<b>Once in royal David's city (HfTC 67)</b>	<b>Joy to the World (HfTC 197)</b>
<b>Serving One Another :</b>		
Cell Group Leader	<b>LOGOS 2</b> <b>(Dr Robert Ong)</b>	<b>EMMANUEL</b> <b>(Elizabeth Kho)</b>
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs David Ngui</b> <b>Jimmy Kho, Emily Ng</b>	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs William Chow</b> <b>Mr &amp; Mrs Loh Leong Len</b>
Sidesmen	<b>Jimmy Kho, Emily Ng</b> <b>Stephen Ho, Margaret Chu</b>	<b>Mr &amp; Mrs Christopher Kwan</b> <b>Shanny Kwan, Lena Wong</b>
Server	<b>Charles Chong</b>	<b>Charles Chong</b>
Prayer Ministry	<b>Margaret Chu, Mary Ngui</b>	<b>Denny Chong</b> <b>Lue Fui Hua</b>
Offertory Count	<b>Rosie Chia ( C )</b> Mr & Mrs Yuen Kat Min Emily Ng, Lena Wong Mark Mak	<b>Ngu Ngok Yoon ( C )</b> Dorothy Yong, Eng Li Fah Wong Siu Fong, Margaret Ho
Washing up	<b>Jimmy Kho, Emily Ng</b>	<b>Cindy Liew, Elizabeth Kho</b>

# **WEEKLY SERVICES**

## *Saturday*

7:30 p.m.  
Chinese

## *Sunday*

7:00 a.m.  
Chinese

9:30 a.m.  
English

9:30 a.m.  
Bahasa M'sia

2:30 p.m.  
Chinese

## **CHAPEL PRAYERS**

Wed - 7:00 a.m.

Thur - 6:30 a.m.

Sat - 4:30 a.m.

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