

WEEK 23

TRINITY 2

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THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

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Welcome to a gathering of God's people.

COLLECT FOR TODAY:

Lord God, the unfailing helper and guide of those whom you bring up in your steadfast fear and love, keep us, we pray, under the protection of your good providence and give us a continual reverence and love for your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TABUNG HARAPAN

Dear Clergy and Pastors,

We are thankful that the God whom we serve and worship is both powerful and loving. He expressed His heart towards His people clearly in these words in Jeremiah 29:11-12,

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you."

We thank the Lord for His mercy and grace towards us, that He has heard our prayers for this nation, He is no respecter of persons, He alone is sovereign. Salvation is in His hands, so are the nations. He chooses the way He should go, However, in response to our prayers, He has chosen to give this nation a new beginning by electing a new government into the position of authority, as we have today.

The new government has uncovered the staggering figure of our national debt in the region of One Trillion Ringgit (which is One Million Million Ringgit). As part of the total response of the government, a Tabung Harapan has been set up to collect funds directly from the-public towards reducing our national debt.

The Church is destined to be blessed and called to be channel of blessings to the nation where we dwell. It is in the prosperity of this nation that God's people are blessed. As responsible Christian citizens, we as a Diocese want to contribute to this fund. I call upon all of us to actively and passionately encourage our congregations to give towards this fund. You can either set aside special offerings or allocate a portion from the income of your church to be forwarded to the Diocesan office, so that we can make a collective contribution to Tabung Harapan. When you forward this special fund to the Diocesan office, please earmark it as "TABUNG HARAPAN". Any fund forwarded to the Diocesan office so earmarked is exempted from Diocesan Assessment.

Let us together help rebuild this nation for our future generation and for the glory of God! Thank you.

In His Service

The Rt. Rev. Datuk Melter Jiki Tais
Diocesan Bishop
The Diocese of Sabah

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.

`Diocesan Welfare Sunday'.

We thank each one of you for your generous donation. Total amount collected was RM4,938.00.

- **10 & 17 June (Suns)**

No Sunday Schools on the above dates due to the school holidays.

- **11 - 14 June (Mon—Thurs)
Diocesan Chinese / English Youth Camp (DCEYC).**

Venue: Christ Church, KK
Person in-charge: Claire @ 017-228-0271.

Tomorrow, they will leave the church compound by 7:00 am. Please pray for journey mercy.

- **12 - 15 June (Tue - Fri)
Diocesan BM Youth Camp.**

Venue: Valley of Blessings,
Telupid.

Person in-charge: Maylianhi @ 011-1057-7285.

They will leave on Tuesday morning. Please commit all the campers unto the Lord in your supporting prayers.

- **24 June (Sun)**

- ★ **Men's Fellowship** get-together.

Revd Jeremiah Liew Nyuk En, from the Indah Anglican Church will share the message. It will be preceded by a dinner.

Venue: Church portico, @ 7:00 pm.

- ★ **Sisters' care group** get-together at Mawar Care Centre. Time: 7:00 pm.

- **16 - 19 July (Mon—Thurs)
Diocesan Senior Citizens Retreat (Chi & Eng).**

Venue: The Church of Our Holy Saviour, Labuan.

Registration fees @ RM120/ pax. Closing Date: 02 July

Please note: T-shirt is inclusive before 11 June; after-which T-shirt is not inclusive.

Contact persons: Ps Soo Nyuk Fong / Mrs K J Chin

- **28 - 31 Aug
Diocesan SYNOD Meeting.**

- **ATI - E**

Extension Programme will begin soon & will be held at Sandakan:

Venues: Eng & Chi classes at St Michael's Church,
BM class at COGS.

6 - 8 July: Basic Christianity Course (20 hours),

BE FRUITFUL (John 15:1-11)

1. **Fruitfulness is God's priority**

John 15:1-2 ¹I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener.
²He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful.

★ **That bears no fruit**

★ **That bears fruits**

★ **That bears more fruits**

2. **Fruitfulness proves intimacy with Jesus**

John 15:5 "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

3. **Fruitfulness glorifies God**

John 15:8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

4. **Fruitfulness empowers prayer**

John 15:16-18 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit—fruit that will last. Then the Father will give you whatever you ask in my name. This is my command: Love each other. "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first".

Questions:

1. Read vs. 1-2, What does it mean for the church or for your groups to be pruned by the Father? Are you willing (considering the purpose of the pruning) ?
2. Read again vs. 1-8, is there an option for our church or our own discipleship for us not to be fruitful? How can we contribute to encourage the atmosphere of fruitfulness in **COGS**?
3. Why do you think fruitfulness or the lack of fruitfulness affects the effectiveness of our prayers?

FAMILY MATTERS			Lord, teach us how to pray ...		
<p>Person in-charge: Revd Timothy, for application only.</p> <p>Requirements: SPM certificate or equivalent; passport-sized photos; RM100 non-refundable fees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Flowers - are contributed by the Sisters' Fellowship for this week. ● Sekolah Rendah Visi Sandakan has 2 vacancies for security guards. Contact person — Desmond Chong @ 012-650-6962. ● Basket-ball court at the church compound on Sunday afternoons <u>will be closed to parking of vehicles from 4:30 pm - 7:00 pm.</u> It will be used for the basket-ball ministry. Sorry for the inconvenience caused. Thank you for your attention & co-operation. 			<p>✧ For Our World - PORTUGAL - Population — 10.74 million.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Economy - struggling to keep in pace with neighbouring European states. ● Roman Catholic Churches - strongly traditional but need renewal and revival. ● Portuguese Evangelical Alliance need strong leadership to maintain growth. <p>✧ For Malaysia - homeless people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The hard-core poor who are homeless in cities. ● The jobless and homeless people in the rural kampongs. ● For street children in major towns. <p>✧ For Our Diocese — St Augustine's Mission District, Merotai.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Revd Samuel Sampe, Ev Maiko Lamudik. ● For all mid-week small group meetings. ● For regular visits to kampong folks. <p>✧ For Our Parish— COGS Labuk Zone.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Revd Chin Kah Jin ● All care group leaders and assistants. ● Regular mid-week care group meetings. <p>✧ For the sick: Mr Tsen Siong Khong, Mdm Chia Khyun Thai, Sr Low Mooi Gaik, Mr Frankie Mok, Mrs Chong Fen Chung, Mr Francis Lam, Mr Chin Tshun Leong, 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.</p> <p>✧ For personal requests.</p>		
Services/Attendance/Communicants					
Chi (02/06) Sat -7:30 pm	255	186			
Chi (03/06) Sun -7:00 am	204	184			
Eng (03/06) Sun - 9:30 am	138	120			
BM (03/06) Sun - 9:30 am	191	156			
Chi (03/06) Sun - 2:30 pm	70	53			
Total	858	699			
Children's Ministries		Attd			
Tadika COGS (KG)		140			
Chi Children cell - Mawar &COGS		121			
Eng Children cell - COGS		47			
BM Children cell		68			
St Monica's Discovery Club		-			
BB (Boys' Brigade)		-			
Youth Ministries		Attd			
Ch Youth (Impact & Inspired)		54			
Eng Youth (M.A.D.)		10			
BM Youth		-			
BB (Boys' Brigade)		-			

Order of Service	This Sunday	Next Sunday (17/06/18)
<i>Introit Hymn</i>	Praise Him ! Praise Him ! (HFTC 25)	I sing the mighty power of God (HOP 28)
<i>Greetings</i>	Jus Ng	Elizabeth Kho
<i>Praise & Worship</i>	Eveleen K W Wong	Ang Pian Ming
<i>Collect for Today</i>		
<i>Bible Reading</i>	2 Cor 4: 13 - 5: 1 Hendry Tan	2 Cor 5: 6—17 Jimmy Kho
<i>Nicene Creed</i>		
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	Jn 15: 1—11 Jus Ng	Mk 4: 26—34 Elizabeth Kho
<i>Message</i>	Be Fruitful Revd Timothy Jerry	Ps Margaret Chong
<i>Response Hymn</i>		
<i>Intercession</i>	Steven Chung	Chia Khen Sang
<i>Confession</i>		
<i>Offertory Hymn</i>	Grace greater than our sin (HOP 167)	I need thee every hour (HOP 255)
<i>Holy Communion, Lord's Prayer, Thanksgiving, Blessing & Dismissal</i>		
<i>Thanksgiving Hymn</i>	He keeps me singing (HOP 339)	The Lily of The Valley (HOP 368)
Serving One Another :		
Cell Group Leader	LOGOS 4 (Choo Peng Yeang)	EMMANUEL (Elizabeth Kho)
Welcome Team / Visitors Centre	Mr & Mrs Patrick Lim Lai Chung Seng Priscilla Chow	Mr & Mrs William Chow Annie Chok, Denny Chong
Sidesmen	Mr & Mrs Benjamin Chow Margaret Ho Yee Chee Hong	Mr & Mrs Terence Fung Francis Voo, Lena Wong
Server	Eddie Wong	Lam Kai Kwong
Prayer Ministry	Betty Kwan, Annie Liu	Denny Chong, Lue Fui Hua
Offertory Count	Ngu Ngok Yoon (C) Dorothy Yong, Eng Li Fah Wong Siu Fong Margaret Ho	Yee Chee Hong (C) Betty Kwan, Melissa Ong Cindy Liew
Washing up	Mr & Mrs Voon Thau Fen	Lue Fui Hua, Elizabeth Kho

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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