

PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK (SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER 2012 – SUNDAY 23 DECEMBER 2012)

SUNDAY 16 DECEMBER 2012 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Psalter week III)

Zeph 3: 14-18a Ps 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Phil 4: 4-7 Lk 3: 10-18

8.00am Mass
THM Lim fly
SP IN Innocent Emeka
RHM Mary Chong Yin Moy, Mr & Mrs Lee Thean Pow, John Liew Fung Yin & Agatha Wong Sin Lan, Paul Liew Kin Yoong & Mary Kok Moh Lee, Kenneth Goh Chor Jim, Thomas Wong Kit Tai, John Voon Yoon Min, Alice Tong Chun Too, Rose Lew Chin Moy, Augustine Loh Voon On & Theresa Chang Yat Lan, John Ng Yoke Chhong, Karen Poo Y.K. Swann, Joseph Au Ah Ha, Charles Chow Wai Hoong, Pius Lee, Hendritte Wong, Maria Lee & Joseph Lim, Monica Lee, Rosa & Anthony Lim, Maria & Joseph Lim, Thomas Lim & Maria, Paul Leong Chee Fook & Agatha Vong Khoon Yin, Wong Chong Chee & Mary Ng Koi Lin, Maria Wong nee Choong Cheet Moi, John Baptist Wong Thean Fook & Anna Liew Yoon Lan, Anthony Wong Chin Wee, John Fum Kee Keow & Rose Wong Yoong Yin, Stanley Fam Kuan Teng, Anthony Yong Han Kwong, Harry Carrauthers, Peter Yong Wan Lee & Mary Lee Fee Ling, Joseph Wong Kim Swee & Mary Chye, Monica Foong, Mary Francis Yeap, Tan Yuen Fui, Tan Hooi Meng, Arokianathan Gnanapragasam, Patrick Ham, Bernard Lee Teck Ngu, Souls in Purgatory

9.30am Rosary (C)
10.00am Mass
THM Steven & Margaret Ng (21st wedding anni)
SP IN Jane Yong Foong Min & fly
RHM Maria Lena Leow, Paul Chau Kok Kim, Matthew Yee Kean Peng, John Baptist Loh Khoon Seong & Agatha Hiew Kim Fong, Paul Foong Meow Phun, Clara Lee Sze Mun, Si Tho Nyok Siaw, Maria Ng Moy, Michael Yoon Yee Shan, Felix Thoo Woon Yoon, Mary Moo, Joseph Lee Kin Wha, Maria Chung Soot Cheng, Magdaline Liew Nyuk Yin, Matthias Yu Shih Kuang, Mary Low Fook Mooi & Rose Wong Fah Ying,

5.30pm Mass **THM** Timothy Chee & fly, Jenny Tan
SP IN C.M.Victoria
RHM Francis Chong, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm, Quah Soo Thye, Peter Ung & Mary Ung, Margaret Lee, Alan Jude Chin, Noel D'Oliveiro, A. Selva Ras, Marie Anthony & A. Mariapushpam

MONDAY 17 DECEMBER 2012

Gen 49: 2, 8-10 Ps 71: 2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 Mt 1: 1-17

5.20pm Evening Prayers & Mass
RHM Helen Elaine Chung & Charles Wong, Ooi Poh Cheng, Paul Chong & Maria Ho, A. Selva Ras, Maria Moo, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm

TUESDAY 18 DECEMBER 2012

Jer 23: 5-8 Ps 71: 2, 12-13, 18-19 Mt 1: 18-24

6.45am Morning Prayers & Mass **THM** Clement Manikam & fly
SP IN Martin Chow, Gerard Ng
RHM Wong Gaik Choo, Joseph Tan (3rd anni), A. Selva Ras, Maria Moo, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm

WEDNESDAY 19 DECEMBER 2012

Jdg 13: 2-7, 24-25a Ps 70: 3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 Lk 1: 5-25

5.20pm Evening Prayers & Mass
SP IN Francis Toh
RHM David Hoo, Christopher Nihal, Wong Gaik Choo, A. Selva Ras, Maria Moo, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm



THURSDAY 20 DECEMBER 2012

Is 7:10-14 Ps 23: 1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Lk 1: 26-38

5.00pm Padre Pio Novena & Mass
THM Theresa Chua
RHM John Hooi Kook Seng & Rose Wong Yong Sin, Tan Sum Choy, Mary Wong Moy Moy (46th death), Lucy Karen Chen Choy Yoon, Wong Gaik Choo, Paul Selvaraj, Andrew, A. Selva Ras, Maria Moo, Gurch, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm

FRIDAY 21 DECEMBER 2012

Song 2:8-14 Ps 32:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 Lk 1:39-45

5.20pm Evening Prayers & Mass
THM Tony Freeman
RHM Ooi Poh Seen, Wong Gaik Cho, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm, A. Selva Ras, Maria Moo, John Chan Yoon Hee, Michael Kok Yee Yong, Gurch, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm

SATURDAY 22 DECEMBER 2012

1 Sm 1:24-28 Ps 1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7abcd Lk 1:46-56

6.45am Morning Prayers & Mass
RHM A. Selva Ras, Marianne Chuah Lian Imm

6.30pm Rosary
7.00pm Mass **THM** Lee fly
RHM Matthew Yee Kean Peng, Mary Wong & Paul Liew, Philomena Maria Nunis, Wong Gaik Choo, Paul Selvaraj Andrew, Andrew Fong Yee Sen & Rose Lee Ah Soo, Stephen Ho Jee Seng, Lourdesamy & Annamaryamal

SUNDAY 23 DECEMBER 2012 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Psalter week IV)

Mic 5: 1-4a Ps 79: 2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 Hebr 10: 5-10 Lk 1: 39-45

8.00am Mass **THM** Susan Eu
RHM Anthony Pok & Rosa Voon, Mary Chong Yin Moy, John Liew Fung Yin & Agatha Wong Sin Lan, Paul Liew Kin Yoong & Mary Kok Moh Lee, Kenneth Goh Chor Jim, Rose Lew Chin Moy, Theresa Chang Yat Lan & Augustine Loh Voon Oon, John Voon Yoon Min, John Ng Yoke Chhong, Joseph Au Ah Ha, Charles Chow Wai Hoong, Pius Lim, Hendritte Wong, Maria Lee & Joseph Lim, Monica Lee, Rosa & Anthony Lim, Lim Joseph & Maria, Thomas Lim & Maria, Anthony Yong Hon Kwong, Peter Yong Won Lee & Mary Lee Fee Ling, Joseph Wong Kim Swee & Mary Chye, Pauline Chang, Patrick Ham, Harry Caruthers, Bernard Lee Teck Ngu

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SP IN Jane Yong Foong Min & fly
RHM Paul Chau Kok Kim, Matthhew Yee Kean Peng, Maria Lena Leow, John Baptist Loh Khoon Seong & Agatha Hiew Kim Fong, Paul Foong Meow Phun, Clara Lee Sze Mun, Si Tho Nyok Siaw, Michael Yoon Yee Shan, Maria Ng Moy, Felix Thoo Woon Yoon, Mary Moo, Joseph Lee Kin Wha

5.30pm Mass
SP IN C.M.Victoria
THM Jason Packiam Bernard
RHM Francis Chong, (Marianne Chuah Lian Imm, Peter Ung & Mary Ung, A. Selva Ras, Noel D'Oliveiro, Marie Anthony & A. Mariapushpam,)



ADVENT OUTREACH. SMC Evergreens, assisted by the MTTP, will be providing school clothes, text books etc for the new School Year to 6 needy students. Members who wish to take part in a) the purchase of the items suitable for each child and/or b) the distribution of the items to the children by the Evergreens please contact Brian 014-906 1713 or Theresa 016-457 7199 asap.

PARISH FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT "Nativity of Jesus"- Date: Sunday 23 December 2012, Time: 8 pm to 10 pm. Venue: St. Francis Xavier Hall. ADMISSION FREE. All are welcome. The purpose of the Family Movie Night is for our catholic families to come as a family to view the story of the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is also a visual preparation for the celebration of Christmas more meaningfully within the families of our parish. All are welcome to have a nice evening together as a family.

RELIGIOUS ARTICLES SHOP- NEW ITEMS: Attractive LED-Lit-Cribs at reasonable price. Limited stock. CHRISTMAS SALES- All Books at 50% off: Daily reflection (E) at RM 10, (C) at RM12.

**MASSES FOR CHRISTMAS 2012 & NEW YEAR 2013 AT
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, IPOH**

DATE	DAY	TIME	LANGUAGE	OCCASION
24/12/2012	Monday	8.00pm	Carols-Mandarin	Christmas Eve
		8.30pm	Mass - Mandarin	
		10.30pm	Carols - English	
		11.00pm	Mass - English	
25/12/2012	Tuesday	7.40am	Carols - English	Christmas
		8.00am	Mass - English	
		10.00am	Mass - Mandarin	
29/12/2012	Saturday Sunday	7.00pm	Mass-English	Feast of the Holy Family
		8.00am	Mass-English	
		10.00am	Mass-Mandarin	
		5.30pm	Mass-English	
31/12/2012	Monday	11.00pm	Mass - English	New Year's Eve
01/12/2013	Tuesday	9.00am	Mass - English	New Year Day

SMC EVERGREENS-Coming shortly at dates to be confirmed. 1) Heritage Trail Walk through Old Ipoh with professional guide; RM20 per person (price might be reduced if the group is large enough); 2) 20th January 2013 11.30 am at the Annex - Pot Luck (Pot Bless) with the usual fun and games; 3) Trip to Klang to the apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary including a pilgrimage to the Church of the Holy Redeemer, Tanjung Malim, which might be part of you obtaining a plenary indulgence during the Year of Faith. Anyone interested in the fore-going, contact Brian 014-906 1713 or Theresa 016-457 7199. In each case, bring your friends.

YEAR OF FAITH: PROFESS + CELEBRATE + LIVE + PRAY

I sought my soul and I could not see;

I sought my God, but my God eluded me;

I sought my brother (sister) and I found all there.

■ The Key to loving contact with God and with my soul is loving contact with our neighbor. And the birth of Christ make this possible.

VISIT FROM LEADERS OF THE ARCIOCESE OF BANGKOK- A group of Thai delegates comprising of 5 priests, 13 Sisters, and 15 lay leaders will be that St.Michael, Ipoh to have an exposure of the working of the BEC. They will be here on Tues 18.12.2012. In the morning there will a sharing on the concept and working of BEC and at night they will be present at various BECs to experience the BEC gathering. We are happy and proud to welcome them.

COLUMBARIUM- The Parish of St. Michael is blessed a columbarium with ample number of niches which fulfill the needs of after life for a quite a number of years. However the facilities that we have need to be maintained, kept clean and tidy in line with the dignity that the church accord to the remains of our departed loved ones. Thus a roof over it was built. It is lit too at night and to give it a holy and peaceful ambience a crucifix, a statue of Divine Mercy and the Assumption of Our Lady were put in place. Moreover a person is employed to keep the place clean and presentable. Due to the high cost of maintenance, the parish after careful consultation has decided as of Jan 1st 2013, the price of niches will be increased by five hundred ringgit (RM500) across board. However a promotional period of two (2) MONTHS, ie. Dec 2012 and Jan 2013, the niches can be purchased at the existing (present) price. Parishioners who wish to contribute towards the maintenance are welcomed.

ST.MICHAEL'S CHURCH CHRISTMAS DECORATION 2012- Firstly the four BEC'S responsible for the decorations would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the volunteers who assisted in putting up the Christmas decorations. Your efforts have greatly appreciated. Upon entry in to the church one is greeted with big boxes filled with gifts. These gifts are not of a commercial nature but virtues gifts from God - Hope, Love, Grace, Peace, Rebirth and Faith. The birth of our Lord heralds the outpouring of these gifts to humankind and that we may receive them in abundance.

As we make our way towards the crib, we can see a piece of gold cloth coming down from heaven bearing the gifts mention earlier. Then we see a piece of black cloth surrounding the crib. The black cloth signifies the dark of night and the problems we face. The Gold cloth on the other hand brings light to our darkness and solves our problems. The gold cloth extends to the fountain of life which signifies Christ and a new beginning for us.

The significance of the Christmas tree will be published in next week's bulletin.

ADVENT- A time for us to prepare to receive the birth of Jesus into our life. A good site "Praying Advent 2012" in the internet for you to have spiritual readings and reflection on Advent. <http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Advent/index.html>

PONGGAL (HARVEST FESTIVAL)-In conjunction with the Ponggal Festival, the SMC Indian Group is organizing a KOLAM COMPETITION with 3 attractive prizes. All parishioners are welcome to take part. This competition will be held on Saturday 19th January 2013. We would like at least from 2 members from each BEC to take part in this competition. For more details, please contact: Mickala - 0165981575 / Grace Mary- 013-5189289. * Closing date for registration -31st December 2012.

DIARY OF EVENTS (PARISH ACTIVITIES & MEETINGS)			
Warden's	16/12/2012	St. Theresa	11.00am

BEC NEWS/ MEETING

1) BEC PASIR PUTEH 1 & 2- gathering & thereafter POTLUCK & welcoming delegates from Bangkok, Thailand on Dec. 18, 2012 (Tuesday) at 8.00 pm at the residence of Brian Hills & Christina, No 11, Jalan Intan, Intan Park, Ipoh. Tel:05-3211339 / 014-9061713. Members are strongly advised to attend.

2) BEC BUNGA RAYA- BEC Potluck Gathering cum Christmas Party on Tuesday 18th December 2012 in the home of John & Josephine Lim, 132 Jalan Pasir Mas, Mayfair Park, 31650 Ipoh. Special guests from Thailand.

3) BEC PASIR PINJI (ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER)- meeting and rosary prayer on (Tues) 18/12/2012 at 8.30pm at the residence of Joseph Leng Kim Thoong at 132, Jln 14, Pasir Pinji. Tel: 05-3211608.