Liturgy Of The Word

First Reading : Acts 2:42-47
Responsorial Psalm : Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.
Second Reading : 1 Peter 1:3-9
Gospel : John 20:19-31

Next Week’s Reading
3rd Sunday of Easter
Psalter Week III – Year A
1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-23
Respons. Ps. 15:1-2, 5, 7-11
2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

Thoughts for Prayer SHALOM

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Incredulous Thomas, the Apostle, insists on seeing Jesus, wanting to put his finger into the mark of the nails and his hand into his side, in order to believe. Jesus, who obliges his request, has however a different request to make: it is no longer seeing but believing but believing in spite of not seeing. It is this primordial creed that imparts the first community of believers new life and a living hope; it is this request to make: it is no longer seeing but believing but believing in spite of not seeing. It is this primordial creed that imparts the first community of believers new life and a living hope; it unites them all to live together and share everything; it brings joy in spite of having to suffer many trials.

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John speaks of “life”, “light” and “truth” in various combinations. Now, the light of the Resurrection reveals the truth about Jesus’ life and death. This evening encounter especially elucidates the meaning of their last evening together, the evening of the Last Supper celebrating the Passover.

Lord Jesus, be always present in our lives with the light of truth and life.
**Notices and Events Announcement**

**Msgr. Primus’ 34th Sacerdotal Ordination Anniversary**
Msgr. Primus’ 34th Sacerdotal Ordination Anniversary is on Thursday, May 1st, 2014. There will be a dinner to celebrate our Rector’s anniversary on Wednesday, April 30th, 2014 at 7.00pm at Dewan Hakka Sabah. Group leaders are requested to collect their tickets from the office soonest. Parishioners who are interested may also buy the ticket at RM60.00 from SHC Parish Office (223618 / 224741/ 262068).

Let us pray for God’s choicest blessings on him in his priestly ministry.

**Senior Parishioners Get-together**
The fellowship will be held this Sunday, April 27th, 2014 after the 9.00am English Mass at the Parish Centre Right Wing for all senior parishioners aged 55 & above. It is free. There will be a BM-speaking senior parishioners fellowship too (for the first time) on the same day and venue, after the Mass in BM at 12.30pm.

**Feast of Divine Mercy (DM) Celebration**
Parishioners are invited to join in the Sunday afternoon celebration on April 27th, 2014 at the main Church at 2.00pm. The blessing of your DM image, the veneration of the DM image will be held and followed by high tea at the canteen. This celebration is organized by the Apostolate of Divine Mercy. All are welcome.

**Ascent of Mt.Carmel (St John of the Cross)**
Study/ sharing-group (Eng) on Ascent of Mt.Carmel (St John of the Cross) will begin on Wednesday, May 7th, 2014 at 7.30pm at Carmelite monastery, facilitated by the OCDS Community. Please bring Collected Works of St. John of the Cross. Contact person: Matthew 016 8395337; Celestina 019 8805393.

**Eucharistic Adoration for Children**
Parents please note that the next Eucharistic Adoration for children will be on Friday, May 9th, 2014 at 6.30pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**The Colours of Scripture – A Biblical Prayer Retreat**
This retreat, organized by the Biblical Apostolate, will be held from May 9th to 11th, 2014 (Fri-Sun) at Bundu Tuhan Retreat Centre. Registration fee is RM90.00, which include food & lodging. Beacon Sherman Kuek will journey with you through some very sacred events of the Scripture and guide you on how to pray with these biblical events which are portrayed in colour. Please register with Arthur 013-8513238, Monica 012-8432547, Dorothy 016-8803828, Mary 012-8278488, SHC Parish Office 223618, 224741. All are welcome.

**PARISH CONFIRMATION DAY**
The Rites of Confirmation will be held on Sunday, May 11, 2014 at 3.00 pm at the Cathedral (Eucharistic Celebration for 4th Sunday of Easter).

**Preparation for all candidates:**

1. **Interview by Priest**
   - Date: Monday, April 28, 2014 (English) and Tuesday, April 29, 2014 (Chinese and BM)
   - Time: 7.00 pm Venue: 1st Floor, SHPC

2. **Recollection and rehearsal (Candidates and Godparents)**
   - Date: Sunday, May 4, 2014
   - Time: 1pm - 4.30 pm Venue: Cathedral

3. **Confession for Confirmation Cadidates**
   - Date: Thursday, May 8, 2014
   - Time: 6.30 pm Venue: Cathedral

**Kaamatan Celebration**

1. **Archdiocesan Level**
   - The celebration will be held on Tuesday, May 13th, 2014 at the Holy Rosary Church in Limbahau, Papar. Mass will be held at 10.00am.

2. **SHC Parish Level**
   - This will be celebrated on Sunday, May 18th, 2014 during the Mass in BM at 10.45am. Thereafter, parishioners are invited for a fellowship lunch at the SHPC hall.

3. **CMI-Sub Parish Level**
   - The celebration will be held on Sunday, May 25th 2014 during the 9.00am Mass and to be followed by fellowship.

**Pre-Marriage Course (PMC)**

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For Mandarin PMC, contacts are Martina or Agatha at 088-712416.

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Register at the Parish Office. Fee is RM50 (registration, morning tea and booklet). Please call the SHC Parish Office for information at 223618, 224741 & 262068.

Parents, please register your child at the Parish Office during office hours. Bring along original and copies of your Church marriage certificate, child’s birth certificate and confirmation certificate of godparent. For info. call 223618, 224741, 262068.

**Nurse’s Day Celebration**
Theme: “Catholic Nurses: the force for change-A vital Resources for Health”
In conjunction with the World Nurse’s Day celebration, the Catholic Nurse’s Guild Kota kinabalu Group will be organizing a Eucharistic Celebration on Sunday, May 18th, 2014 at 3.00pm at SHC. Thereafter there will be a fellowship dinner and concert at the SHPC Hall. All nurses and health care professionals from government / private hospitals / colleges are welcome. Attire: full uniform.

For information please call Francisca 0168300767 (Hospital Likas), Mdm Rosalind 0138633139 (KSKB), Matron Christina 0168359159 (QEII), Agnes 0168363158 (QEII/CPK).

**Seminar on Freedom and Healing in Christ**
This seminar organized by the LJCCC will be held from Thursday-Sunday, May 22nd to 25th, 2014 at 7.30pm in Room F7, SHPC. Registration fee is RM10.00. For information please call Lucia Tai 718817 or SHC Parish Office 224741, 223618, 262068.

**SHC Parish Bookshop**
We have new books and CDs, DVDs, arrivals from St. Benedict press/ Tan Books & Ignatius Press, USA, as well as books on Pope Francis. Come and feed your faith!

Please take note that the Bookshop will be CLOSED for the month of MAY for the annual stock check.

**Sunday Collections (April 19th & 20th, 2014) (in RM)**
SHC Black Bag (16,414.10), Red Bag (10,875.10); CMI Black Bag (14,798.00), Red Bag (9,960.00).