Liturgy Of The Word

First Reading : Exodus 17:3-7
Responsorial Psalm : "O that today you would listen to his voice: 'Harden not your hearts.'"
Second Reading : Romans 5:1-2.5-8
Gospel : John 4:5-42

Next Week’s Reading
4th Sunday of Lent
Psalter Week IV - Year A
1st Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-6-7-10-13
Respons. Psalm 22.R v.1
2nd Reading: Ephesians 5:8-14
Gospel: John 9:1-41

Notices

Called by His Name
A Biblical Lenten Recollection on Our Identity as God’s people will be held from March 20th (starting at 8.00am) to 21st, 2015 at the Room F7, SHPC. The speaker is Rev. Deacon Dr. Sherman Kuek OFS. Participants are to bring their bibles. Cost: RM40.00 per person (lunch included). Please register with James 019-8512095; Dorothy: 016-2080382; Alan: 019-8803000; SHCP Office: 224741, 223618, 262068.

Hospital Chaplain
Fr. Tony Mojiwat and Fr. Aloysius Fidelis have assumed duty as Hospital Chaplains for the Kota Kinabalu areas in addition to their pastoral and priestly duties. Parishioners are advised to contact them for ministry and spiritual guidance.
Contact Nos:
Fr. Tony Mojiwat 013-5507007
Fr. Aloysius Fidelis 010-8081957
Parish Office at Stella Maris 254321

Recyclable Items
Sales of recyclable items collected at the Parish Centre basement bins for February 2015 amounted to RM1,228.95.

Thoughts for Prayer SHALOM
Jesus drove the buyers and sellers out of the Temple in a great symbolic act. The last prophet of the Old Testament, Malachi declared: “The Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his Temple” [Malachi 3:1]. On several occasions people wondered whether or not Jesus was “the one to come”.

According to John’s presentation, Jesus cleansed the Temple on his first visit to Jerusalem towards the beginning of his public life, whereas the Synoptics record this incident towards the end of Jesus’ life when he went to Jerusalem to die. Thus we do not know exactly when the incident occurred, and there are arguments on either side. John’s version has the advantage of emphasizing the word “suddenly” in Malachi’s prophecy. Jesus reminded us that we do not know the day or the hour when the Son of Man will return or when we will die. In the same way, the Jews had no way of telling when the Messiah would come.

Jesus’ symbolic act is also a parable, teaching us that God’s inscrutable ways are not our ways. We can only wait in patient hope for God’s inscrutable ways are not our ways. We can only wait in patient hope for God’s coming into our lives with salvific and renewing grace.

Lord Jesus, in union with the Father and the Spirit, come into the temple of our souls and purify us in preparation for our Easter celebration.
**Notices and Events Announcement**

**Mass at 12.00 noon**
There will be a Mass at 12.00 noon at the Sacred Heart Cathedral every Friday during Lent.

**Way of the Cross**
Way of the Cross will be held every Friday in the Cathedral during Lent at 6.00pm (English), 7.00pm (BM) and 8.00pm (Mandarin). There will be NO 1st Friday 7.30pm Mass in April.

**Weekly Vespers and Holy Hour**
Parishioners are encouraged to attend the weekly evening prayers and Holy Hour at SHC, which will be held every Thursday from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Groups, Communities and ministries coming for their meeting or activity on Thursday are also invited to attend.

As usual the Parish Centre will be closed during these Vespers and Holy Hour, and will only be opened at 8.30pm.

**Lenten Appeal**
You will find Lenten Appeal Envelopes at the Churches’ entrances from this weekend onwards for your use to offer to the poor and the needy in our Parish during this Lenten period. Please drop your envelope into the donation window at the SHC Parish Office during office hours.

**Parents** please note that there will be NO Eucharistic Adoration for children in March, 2015.

**Solemnity of The Annunciation of the Lord**
This Solemnity will be celebrated on Wednesday, March 25th, 2015 at the 6.00am morning Mass.

**Chrism Mass: The Unity of the Priesthood**
Chrism Mass will be celebrated in 3 languages at the Cathedral on Thursday, March 26th, 2015 starting at 7.30pm.

**Infant Baptism**

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Parents, please register your child at the SHC 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 information, please call 223618, 224741, 262068.

**Pre-Marriage Course (PMC)**

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The PMC (English) on Monday, April 27th, 2015 will be a “walk-in” registration.

**CMI Lenten Visit 2015**
CMI will be organizing Lenten Visit to San Damiano Home, Kiulu on Saturday, March 14th, 2015. Your donation in kind & foodstuff are greatly appreciated. For information, please call Beatrice Eko 016-8028468.

**Reminder for CMI Parishioners**
1. Please come early to secure a “good” parking;
2. If you are late or if there is no more parking spaces available kindly seek assistance from the Traffic Wardens. YOUR CO-OPERATION IS VERY MUCH NEEDED.

**Blood Donation Campaign**
SHC Charity Ministry will be co-organizing a blood donation drive on Sunday, March 22nd, 2015 from 8.00am to 1.00pm in room G1 at the Parish Centre. Staff from QEH Blood Bank will be on hand to assist in the donation effort.

**Funeral Arrangement**
Bereaved families are to contact St. Joseph’s Benevolent Fund office at Tel. 216321 or Thomas Chew at 010-9570393 for funeral arrangement and confirmation before making obituary announcement in our local newspapers.

**SHC Bookshop Opening Hours**
Monday-Friday @ 8.15am to 12.00pm @ 1.30pm to 4.30pm
Wednesday CLOSED
Saturday @ 8.00am to 12.00pm @ 4.00pm to 5.45pm
Sunday @ 8.00am to 11.00am

The SHC Parish Bookshop will be closed on the 1st Saturday of the month, Public Holidays, when we have Archdiocesan / Parish events & Parish Staff Meeting.

**Aedes Mosquitoes**
(Special announcement from St. Joseph’s Benevolent Fund)

**Parish Monthly Movies**
Organized by SHC Parish Social Communication Committee (SOCCOM)

**Catholic Family Life Service Centre**
Call 013-8612088 for a counselling appointment.

**Sunday Collections (Feb 28th & Mar 1st, 2015) (in RM)**
SHC Black Bag (18,310.35), Red Bag (14,123.50); CMI Black Bag (6,236.05), Red Bag (5,496.95)