

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHEDRAL PARISH KUCHING - Advent & Christmas Programme 2016**

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life." John 3:16*

<b>Advent Season</b>				
ACTIVITY	DAY / DATE	TIME	VENUE	CO-ORDINATORS / CONTACT NOS.
<b>Collection of New Gifts for Rural Children</b>	Sat, 26/11/16 to Sun, 11/12/16	All Masses	St. Joseph's Cathedral, Carmelite Chapel & St. Mark's Church	Parish Administrator 082-423 424
<b>Special Collection in aid of the Hurricane Matthew victims in Haiti.</b>	Sat, 3/12/16 Sun, 4/12/16	All Masses	St. Joseph's Cathedral, Carmelite Chapel & St. Mark's Church	Parish Administrator 082-423 424
<b>Kuching Christmas Parade 2016</b> <i>(Organised by the Methodist Church)</i> Total Distance: Approximately 4 km	Sat, 3/12/16	6:00 pm: Assemble at MBKS Jubilee Ground 6:30 pm: Worship Time 7:15 pm: Parade Starts 8:30 pm: Distribution of Gifts 9:30 pm: Parade ends	Route: MBKS Jubilee Ground – HSBC – Padungan – Harbour View Hotel – Ting & Ting Supermarket – Grand Continental Hotel – MBKS Flats – Jubilee Ground.	Parish Administrator 082-423 424
<b>Share-Care 2016 Advent Project</b> <i>(jointly organised by Society of St. Vincent De Paul and the Empowered Ministry)</i>	From Sun, 4/12/16 to Sun, 18/12/16	Launching on Sunday, 4/12/16 at 6:45 pm	St. Joseph's Parish Gallery	Empowered Hotline 014-694 5414 youth.empowered@gmail.com Augustine Ong 012-617 1960 Monita Ngo 019-888 1222
<b>Evening Penitential Service &amp; Confession</b>	Mon, 5/12/16 Tue, 6/12/16 Wed, 7/12/16	7:30 pm - 10:00 pm	St. Joseph's Cathedral	Parish Office 082-423 424
	Thu, 8/12/16	7:30 pm - 10:00 pm	St. Mark's Church	
<b>Advent Reflection in Bahasa Malaysia</b> Theme: <i>"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son....."</i> John 3:16 <i>(by Fr. Jerome Juleng)</i>	Fri, 9/12/16	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	St. Mark's Church	Parish Administrator 082-423 424
<b>Advent Reflection in English</b> Theme: <i>"For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son....."</i> John 3:16 <i>(by Fr. Felix Au)</i>	Fri, 9/12/16	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Mater Domini Auditorium A.C.C.P.C. Level 2	Parish Administrator 082-423 424
<b>Advent Reflection in Chinese</b> Theme: <i>"Our Lord Jesus is always present in our midst."</i> Psalm 46:1 <i>(by Fr. Leonard Yap)</i>	Fri, 9/12/16	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	St. Joseph's Cathedral	Agnes Chai Lily 082-412 650
<b>Annual Growth-Lions Club Christmas Party</b> <i>(organised by Lions Club of Kuching City for GROWTH members only)</i>	Sat, 10/12/16	10:30 am - 2:00 pm	Sts. John & Lucy Conference Hall, A.C.C.P.C Level 2	Josh John 013-812 2681
<b>Launching of Christmas Carolling</b>	Sat, 10/12/16	6:00 pm	St. Joseph's Cathedral	Parish Administrator 082-423 424
<b>St. Joseph's Parish Children's Christmas Party</b> <i>(subsidised by the Parish Council &amp; coordinated by the Children's Liturgy of the Word Ministry)</i> Registration Deadline: Mon, 5/12/16	Sun, 11/12/16	1:00 pm - 4:00 pm	St. Joseph Grand Hall A.C.C.P.C Level 3	Parish Office 082-423 424
<b>Morning Penitential Service &amp; Confession</b>	Mon, 12/12/16 Tue, 13/12/16 Wed, 14/12/16	8:30 am - 10:30 am	St. Joseph's Cathedral	Parish Office 082-423 424
<b>Simbang Gabi Mass</b> <i>(traditional Filipino 9-day novena before Christmas)</i>	Wed, 16/12/16 to Thu, 24/12/16	5:30 am	Sedes Sapientiae Chapel, St Joseph's Private School	
<b>Advent 'Gotong Royong'</b> <i>(organised by St. Mark's Liturgical Committee)</i>	Sat, 17/12/16	8:30 am - 11:30 am	St. Mark's Church	Nicholas Niko Michael Rimong
<b>Blood Donation</b>	Sun, 18/12/16	10:30 am - 1:30 pm	St. Mark's Church Hall	Boniface Lasek
<b>A.C.S. Joint Christmas Service</b> <i>(organised by the Association of Churches in Sarawak &amp; hosted by the Methodist Church SCAC)</i>	Tue, 20/12/16	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Christian Ecumenical Worship Centre, Jalan Stampin	Parish Office 082-423 424
<b>Children's Christmas Party</b> <i>(organised by St. Mark's Chinese Group)</i> Registration Deadline: Sun, 11/12/16	Fri, 23/12/16	7:30 pm - 9:30 pm	St. Mark's Church Hall	Steven Chong 010-962 6458 Joycelyn Chin 014-992 2648 Angela Jung 010-984 8623

<b>Christmas Eve – Sat, 24 Dec 2016</b>			
ACTIVITY	TIME	VENUE	CONTACT NO.
Mass in Mandarin	8:00 pm	St. Joseph's Cathedral	Parish Office 082-423 424
Mass in English	12 midnight	St. Joseph's Cathedral	
Mass in BM	8:00 pm	St. Mark's Church	
Mass in English	12 midnight	Carmelite Chapel	

**NOTE:-**  
On Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> Dec, the 5:00 pm Novena & 6:00 pm Sunset Mass will be cancelled.

<b>Christmas Day – Sun, 25 Dec 2016</b>			
ACTIVITY	TIME	VENUE	CONTACT NO.
Mass in English	6:30 am	St. Joseph's Cathedral	Parish Office 082-423 424
Mass in Mandarin	8:00 am	St. Joseph's Cathedral	
Mass in Iban	9:30 am	St. Joseph's Cathedral	
	<i>(with RTM Live Radio Broadcast)</i>		
Mass in English	5:30 pm	St. Joseph's Cathedral	
Mass in BM	9:30 am	St. Mark's Church	
Mass in Mandarin	5:00 pm	St. Mark's Church	
Mass in English	8:00 am	Carmelite Chapel	

## **REGISTRATION FOR PARISH SUNDAY SCHOOL 2017 INTAKE**

Registration forms for the Parish Sunday School 2017 new intake (*English, Bahasa Malaysia and Chinese medium*) are available from the parish office and the church entrances in the Cathedral, St. Mark's Church and Carmelite Chapel.

Parents with children aged between 5 to 17 years (*particularly those studying in schools with no catechism classes*) are urged to enrol your children for these sessions **latest by 31<sup>st</sup> December** to facilitate class placement.

Sessions will be held every Sunday starting from **8<sup>th</sup> January 2017**. Enrolment fee is RM5 per child. Registration forms with relevant documents attached may be submitted at any of the following venues or the Parish Office:-

### **St. Joseph's Cathedral Sunday School**

<i>Dates for Submission</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Language (Co-ordinators)</i>	<i>Venue</i>
Sunday, 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2017	11:00 am - 12:00 noon	Bahasa Malaysia (Cikgu James Sidek)	S.K. St. Teresa **Only 'new' students need to register. For existing students, no registration is required. Just proceed to their new class when session starts on 8 <sup>th</sup> January.
Sunday, 11 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2016, & 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2017	7:45 am - 8:00 am (15 minutes before Mandarin Mass)	Mandarin (Ms. Agnes Chai Lily & Ms. Catherine Hii)	Main entrance of the Cathedral
Sunday, 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	10:00 am - 12:00 noon	English (Mr. Felix Thang)	S.M.K. St. Teresa Ground Flr Classroom 2 & 3

### **St. Mark's Church Sunday School**

<i>Dates for Submission</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Language (Co-ordinators)</i>	<i>Venue</i>
Sunday, 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2017	2:15 pm - 3:30 pm	Mandarin (Mdm. Doris Kho)	St. Mark's Church Hall, Batu Kawa
Sunday, 8 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> & 22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2017	11:00 am - 12:00 noon	Bahasa Malaysia (Cikgu Elizabeth Jimen)	St. Mark's Church Hall, Batu Kawa **Only 'new' students need to register. For existing students, no registration is required. Just proceed to their new class when session starts on 8 <sup>th</sup> January.

### **St. Colette Catholic Centre Sunday School**

<i>Dates for Submission</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Language (Co-ordinators)</i>	<i>Venue</i>
Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2017	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Bahasa Malaysia (Cikgu Solomon Silimun)	St. Colette Catholic Centre, Taman Malihah