



St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish Jakarta

Monthly Bulletin – April 2024

SOLIDARITY: POWERFUL WORD AND ACT THAT CHANGE PEOPLE AND SOCIETY-SOME PRACTICAL IMPLICATIONS

Beloved Sisters and Brothers,

I still had a vivid memory when I barely started my Junior Highschool watching on the black & white TV people in Europe (Poland) marching and protesting against the government. I did not understand fully the coverage of the news but only in my later years I learned that it was a ***solidarity movement*** that attempted to defend & fight their rights as poor workers. We all remember how **Lech Walesa &** others formed a broad anti-Soviet social movement ranging from people associated with the Catholic Church members of the anti-Soviet left. Polish nationalism, together with pro-American liberalism, played an important part in the development of Solidarity in the 1980s. Lech Wałęsa has said that Pope John Paul II, and more specifically, his 1979 visit to Poland, was a significant factor in the creation of Solidarity. As John Paul II was a Poland native, he was a figure that the citizens in Poland could identify with personally, but was beyond the reach of the Communist regime. For his actions regarding Poland and Solidarity during his pontificate, he has been named by many world leaders, including Wałęsa himself, to be one of the main causes of the downfall of not just the Polish regime, but Communism as a whole in Europe. Since then, the word **“solidarity”** has become so popular that it speaks even louder and clearer about what it means.



It is so beautiful to see in a bigger and broader perspective that human family is supported by the extent of solidarity itself. We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbor has global dimensions in a shrinking world. At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. Pope Paul VI taught that **“if you want peace, work for justice.”** The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict. The truth there are always challenges to human solidarity caused by multilayers of needs and intentions. It is important to reminded by this concern through the words of Pope Francis” “In



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today's world, the sense of belonging to a single human family is fading, and the dream of working together for justice and peace seems an outdated utopia. What reigns instead is a cool, comfortable, & globalized indifference, born of deep disillusionment concealed behind a deceptive illusion: thinking that we are all-powerful, while failing to realize that we are all in the same boat." (Pope Francis, On Fraternity and Social Friendship [Fratelli Tutti] no. 30)

"Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community. It means that the lives of all are prior to the appropriation of goods by a few. It also means combatting the structural causes of poverty, inequality, the lack of work, land and housing, the denial of social and labor rights. It means confronting the destructive effects of the empire of money... Solidarity, understood in its most profound meaning, is a way of making history, and this is what popular movements are doing." (Pope Francis, On Fraternity and Social Friendship [Fratelli Tutti], no. 116).

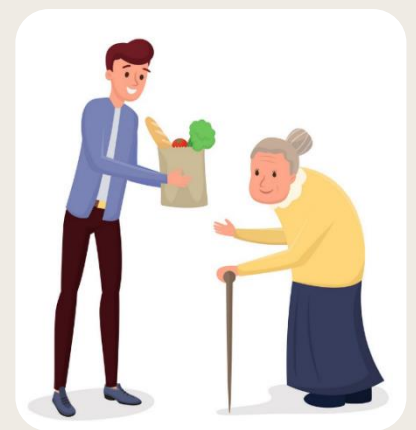


In other Catholic Social Teaching we find some powerful thoughts and ideas of solidarity which in our very nature of interdependence. To better understand the social doctrine of solidarity, it would be good to break down the concept into two parts, as proposed by St. John Paul II. Solidarity is first an obligation of society, of nations, and secondly of individuals. "A consistent theme of Catholic social teaching is the option or love of preference for the poor. Today this preference has to be expressed in worldwide dimensions, embracing the immense number of hungry, the needy, the homeless, those without medical care and those without hope." (Of Social Concern, #42) "One must denounce the economic, financial, and social mechanisms and structures that are manipulated by the rich and powerful for their own benefit at the expense of the poor." (Of Social Concern, #16)

When it comes to practical matters of solidarity, we can always think of our daily common practices that have direct impacts on us. So here are some practical practices that we can involve ourselves:

1. **The green attitude or mentality** in dealing with caring of our world and nature. Respecting our environment to avoid natural disasters such as floods, deforestation, fires, shortage of water etc., is a direct call to us to take care our own homes and how we dispose things. A small step is part of ecological conversion thus we show our solidarity to our nature. In our CICM community we have a common practice what we call '**Green Tax**' that speaks of our solidarity in our missionary works with the purchase of tickets. Various projects such as tree planting has become a reminder also of how we can participate in taking care of our nature.

2. **Daily consumption related practices:** food waste has become a serious issue everywhere and pauses a challenging reflection and calls us for a more positive consumption. Food waste has left millions of people without enough to eat while others throw it without any sense of respect. Eating enough what we need is a sign of respect for others who have nothing to eat. This should become our common practice at home or restaurants or any common celebration that involve so many people.



3. **Reaching out parishes:** each Christian community and any other communities such as convents or religious houses are centered in Eucharist. The foundational reflection is that in our parishes the Eucharist represents a central setting for discovering and expressing our commitment to our brothers and sisters throughout the world. A parish reaching beyond its own members and beyond national boundaries is a truly **'Catholic' Parish.**" Parishes are called to help those who suffer in our own communities and in situations of poverty and pain around the world such as helping those victimized by often less visible disasters of poverty caused by structural injustice such as debt, ethnic conflicts, and the arms trade. Our faith challenges us to reach out to those in need and to resist the immorality of isolationism. Pope John Paul II reminds us that to turn to **'selfish isolation'** would not only be a 'betrayal of humanity's legitimate expectations but also a real desertion of a moral obligation.



4. **A Church program** for those unfortunates in schooling has become a national program if not movement. Solidarity among those who are blessed and being able to share what they must pay the tuition of poor students has sent a positive and important message for the nation about giving the opportunity of unfortunate students to prepare their better future. This social solidarity in education is a very powerful program to educate the nation as a whole. Some dioceses in Indonesia have what is called **"Ayo sekolah-Ayo Belajar."**

5. **Bank for the poor:** following the giant step of Muhamad Yunus who created the Grameen Bank as a sign of solidarity with poor, Credit Union in Indonesia and some run by Catholic Church has extended help for many poor and simple people to have a better access for their brighter future.

6. **Youth projects** on special occasions to visit the orphanages or nursing homes to share some of their gifts could be extended as a solidarity to others who are unfortunate, in need and lonely.

7. **Housing projects** for the poor such as the southern parts of the Philippines being done by Indonesian CICM priests has a positive impact for them. An important project of building wells for those live with so much shortage of water have become a new hope and good news as well.

These concrete actions are true expressions of solidarity. And still many others. Solidarity has a wide door to open and to discover. The Christian communities can always extend their mission and call to touch those who are in need through different forms of action. May the Church continue to be a living sign of solidarity through human involvements.

Fr. Anton P. Hestausilo, CICM



EASTER WISHES

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Easter! May the joy of Christ's resurrection fill your hearts with hope and renewal. Let us come together in faith and love as we celebrate this sacred occasion. God bless you all.

Fr. Moko SJ, Parish Priest, Fr. Thomas SJ, Assistant Parish Priest & Parish Council Members



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ONLINE & OFFLINE MASS SCHEDULE



ST. PETER CANISIUS INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC PARISH

CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR APRIL & MAY 2024 OFFLINE/ONLINE FROM ST. THERESIA

DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Apr 6	Sat	2nd Sun Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)	3:30PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
Apr 7	Sun	2nd Sun Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)	3.00PM	ELFACS Choir
Apr 13	Sat	3rd Sunday Easter	3:30PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
Apr 14	Sun	3rd Sunday Easter	3.00PM	The Choir Immortal
Apr 20	Sat	4th Sunday Easter	3:30PM	ELFACS Choir
Apr 21	Sun	4th Sunday Easter	3.00PM	ELFACS Choir
Apr 27	Sat	5th Sunday Easter	3:30PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
Apr 28	Sun	5th Sunday Easter	3:00PM	The Choir Immortal

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May 04	Sat	6th Sunday Ordinary Times	3:00PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
May 05	Sun	6th Sunday Ordinary Times	3:30PM	ELFACS Choir
May 09	Thurs	Ascension of the Lord	3:00PM	ELFACS Choir
May 11	Sat	7th Sunday Easter	3:00PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
May 12	Sun	7th Sunday Easter	3:30PM	ELFACS Choir
May 18	Sat	Pentecost	3:00PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
May 19	Sun	Pentecost	3:30PM	The Choir Immortal
May 25	Sat	Most Holy Trinity	3:00PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
May 26	Sun	Most Holy Trinity	3:30PM	The Choir Immortal

CANISIUS CHAPEL- SUNDAY AT 6:00PM (APRIL 2024)

DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Apr 7	Sun	2nd Sunday Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Apr 14	Sun	3rd Sunday Easter	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Apr 21	Sun	4th Sunday Easter	6:00PM	Youth Choir
Apr 28	Sun	5th Sunday Easter	6:00PM	Genesis Choir

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May 5	Sun	2nd Sunday Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
May 12	Sun	3rd Sunday Easter	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
May 19	Sun	4th Sunday Easter	6:00PM	Youth Choir
May 26	Sun	Palm Sunday	6:00PM	Genesis Choir

Note: *Online Mass is only on every Sunday 03:00 pm from St. Theresia Church.



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YOUTH FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES



In the spirit of Solidarity & Subsidiarity, our Youth Fellowship organized **“Festival of Service”** for our parish children, teens & youths below 20 years old on 23 March 2024. This competition was organized to encourage our teens & youths to take active participation in the Mass by becoming Lectors & Cantors and thereby volunteering in parish initiatives.

Despite everyone’s busy schedule many parents encouraged their children to participate in the competition and win exciting prizes. Lector category had the maximum nominations and through this competition we found few teens and youth who could be our future potential lectors.

The event was made even more thrilling with the inclusion of numerous door prizes for participants. Proceeds collected from the sale of raffle tickets were generously donated to support the Lenten Charity Action initiative, furthering our commitment to serving those in need during this sacred season.

We extend our gratitude to all the volunteers and who participated and supported this meaningful endeavour, fostering a sense of community and dedication within our parish. Reflection from the winner of Lector category:

Reflection #1 By Clement, ACS Jakarta (Grade 11)

The Festival of Service is the first of its kind in our parish, and I couldn’t be gladder to be a part of it! There were many youths who were participating in the lector category, which made me a bit nervous. I practiced a lot and am honoured to be the winner for my age category. It gives me a huge boost of confidence knowing that there is a way that I can contribute to the Liturgical Mass. I heard that there is going to be workshops for Lectors in the future, so I hope I can improve my skills and maybe an active lector in the near future.



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Winner for Youth Lector's Category:

1. Clement
2. Mateo
3. JXR

Winner for Teen Cantor:

1. Naviaa
2. Danny

Winner For Teen Lector:

1. Jesslyn
2. Indira
3. Izabelle

Winner For Praise Dance:

1. Anna
2. Maria Mediatrix Dance Group

The Special Performance by Lovely Hand & by Audrey Angesti, Alvaro Nicholas, Oliver Wihardja



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Living Station of the Cross

The Way of the Cross, also known as the Stations of the Cross, is a traditional Christian devotion observed during Lent, particularly on Fridays and especially on Good Friday. It commemorates the events leading up to Jesus Christ's crucifixion and death.

Unlike the traditional depictions, our parish for the first-time organized Living Station of the Cross on 17th Mar 2024 bringing life to the scenes of the 14 stations, enhancing our contemplative experience. As one community we all gathered in prayer to join our Lord as we reenacted the pivotal moments of His journey to the Mount of Calvary.

Walking alongside Jesus from station to station, we were deeply moved by the pain and agony He endured for our sake. It was a transformative experience, drawing us closer to understanding the depth of His sacrifice and the redemption offered through His love. Let this unique encounter deepen our contemplation and strengthen our faith as we journey through our spiritual life together.

So many parishioners were deeply moved, and we received many reflections, we have selected 03 most touching reflections and is published here.

By Gerado Vigo (Alter Server & Acted as Simon of Cyrene):



We adore you oh Christ and we bless you, because by your holy Cross you have redeemed the world. Fasting and abstinence, suspending the Gloria and Alleluia, purple vestments — at the heart of these penitent forty days lies the ancient prayer of the Stations of the Cross: a tradition stemming from Jerusalem wherein pilgrims traced the same sorrowful path (Via Dolorosa) to Calvary that Jesus willingly took as a remedy for our sins. Today we easily find these 14 stages of Jesus' Passion depicted in the walls of all churches, and such images are in fact exempted from the custom of veiling starting the

5th Sunday of Lent (Passiontide) so as to draw more attention to Jesus' critical, prophecy-fulfilling moments. For the first time in our parish, altar servers, eucharistic ministers, CCD/Youth Choir coordinators among other volunteers put together a Live Action reenactment of the Way of the Cross under the initiative of Sis Alfa and Melissa, starring Frater Wishal Khan as Jesus of Nazareth.



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The service was held in Canisius Chapel then proceeding to outdoor courts from 4-5 pm on Sunday, 17th March with reflections and meditations for each station and the dialogues taken from the Gospels. Genesis

Choir sang the hymns "Oh Sacred Head Surrounded" and "The Tribute (To God be the Glory)". Although our initial rehearsals were choppy as several of us couldn't hold our laughter / were still playing around (maintaining sincere expressions especially when making eye contact with Frater Wishal), on the day, as everyone convincingly put on costumes, props and some makeup, it was a totally different atmosphere and as Melissa noted, she felt a 'gush of wind' at serene stillness of the 12th station perhaps as a sign of approval from almighty God.



Playing Simon of Cyrene was an eye-opening experience as I learnt that unlike Veronica and other women who really pushed through the Roman guards to see Jesus, my character just happened to be a passer-by who was dragged into helping

the exhausted carpenter. Simon had no idea at first what was happening but as soon as Jesus looked at him with a gaze of meek thankfulness, Simon dropped all his belongings and shared the journey. And that's okay. Sometimes we discover God in moments we least expect in life.



It was such a blessing that despite challenging weather conditions just hours before our scheduled start or everyone seemingly busy over the weeks of preparation, we all remained committed to serve our Lord which I'm sure was heartwarming for all present, not for us to feel overly guilty, but to shed tears of gratitude for our Messiah.

While the idea that Jesus once-and-for-all paid the price for our sins yet also invites us now to "carry our crosses" might seem at odds with each other, it is in fact a great reminder that if we put our faith in Christ, we need not lose hope as love transcends suffering and is in fact best expressed through sacrifice and reconciliation.



In sum, I applaud all the effort that was made into organising this, and I look forward to more ways our parish can honour Jesus crucified in the years to come.

By Sis. Eunice Lamudo



"And oh, how He loves us, oh, how He loves us, how He loves us all".

After experiencing the live performance of the Stations of the Cross play for the first time, this song became more than just lyric. It echoed in my mind, a constant reminder of the profound impact the play had on me.



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As I witnessed each Station unfold, I was overcome with a sense of awe and humility. The portrayal of Jesus' obedience to the will of the Father was so vivid and real. I couldn't help but be moved to my core, contemplating the unimaginable pain and suffering He truly endured for our sake.

The weight of His sacrifice was laid bare before me, and I was filled with a deep sense of gratitude and admiration. Each step He took, burdened by the weight of the cross and the wounds inflicted by the soldiers on His battered body, resonated with me on a profound level. It spoke volumes about His unyielding obedience to fulfil the Father's divine purpose, no matter the cost.

In those moments, I could almost feel the intensity of His physical and emotional pain. Despite the excruciating agony He endured, His love for us never wavered.

It was a Love that knew no bounds, a Love that surpassed human understanding. Jesus exemplified strength, resilience, and a selflessness that defied comprehension. His obedience to The Father's plan revealed a trust and surrender to a higher purpose, even in the face of overwhelming suffering. It was a Love that spanned time and space, reaching out to every corner of humanity.

So, whenever I hear those words, "And oh how He loves us," I am reminded of the depth of His love and the extraordinary lengths He went to for each one of us. It's a song that stirs my soul and reminds me of the boundless Love that continues to shape and guide my life.

By Sis. Melissa Abineno

For the very first time in our parish, we held the Living Stations of The Cross, on 17 March 2024 beginning from the Canisius Chapel and continuing to the Ignatius Lobby. With much preparation and little experience, we tried our best to actualize Jesus' journey from the Pilate's sentencing to his death in Golgotha.



What was amazing from all this is that everyone was so supportive and kind to lend a hand to help, from costumes, make-up, logistics and funding, as well as all the casts who rehearsed repeatedly to carry out the best act in depicting Jesus' suffering while journeying to meet His final destiny. Even though that morning started with heavy rain, we were blessed with beautiful weather all through the Stations of The Cross. Many of congregation came to see,

pray the reflections, felt the emotions, and somewhat grasp the gruesome pain that Jesus endured when He walked the Via Dolorosa.



Before we started, the cast gathered and prayed. In unison of hearts, we all offered our work for the glory of the Lord. This was our Lenten gift to our Lord Jesus Christ. We offered him our time, our work, our doubts and our best. Since this is our first time, we weren't exactly sure how the congregation would react. Praise the Lord, the Living Stations of The Cross went as well as we could expect and for that we were very grateful and pleased.



Yet, little did we know, a few days after while still pondering on the event, it was us that was given a gift. A gift to feel and reflect upon His pain, His anguish, His fear and through it all, His never ceasing blessings. The emotions we felt as casts and all those involved were overwhelming. We couldn't be more grateful. Thank you dearest Jesus, for Your gift, that we your children were able to perform this amazing event and to be one with You in the greatest sacrifice of all, for us mankind. We love you, Jesus...



Acting Cast who walked with Jesus to the Mount Calvary

1. Jesus Christ – Frater Wishal Khan
2. Mother Mary – Paula Roque
3. Pontius Pilate- CJ
4. Simon of Cyrene – Gerado Vigo
5. Mary of Magdalen – Arlene Suarez (J-Ar)
6. Veronica – Klarissa Sukarno
7. Joseph of Arimathea – Joko Himawan
8. Crying women of Jerusalem – Janet, Adiksha, Jillian
9. Soldier 1 – Winston Tjahaja
10. Soldier 2 – Frater Raheel Samuel
11. Soldier 3 – Frater Julian
12. Criminal 1 – Austin Soedarsono
13. Criminal 2 – Frater Danish



Supporting Team:

1. Narrator – Anna Rose
2. Reflection Reader 1 – Dominick Himawan
3. Reflection Reader 2 – Clarissa Himawan
4. Jesus Christ – Danny Dias
5. Pilate/ Soldier – Patrick Tanumihardja
6. Guitarist – Fra. Henry
7. Costume – Ashley/Patricia/Marielle/Jillian
8. Make-up- Damayanti
9. Property & Logistics – Alfa & Donny Winarno
10. Photographer – Hendra Sutandinata
11. Stage Manager – Elang Prakasa
12. Director – Melissa Abineno



We extend heartfelt gratitude to all who contributed to making this journey profoundly meaningful and holy. Our sincere thanks to the dedicated cast, supporting team, volunteers, donors, and parishioners whose collective efforts brought the Living Stations of the Cross to life. Your commitment and generosity have enriched our Lenten experience and deepened our spiritual journey.

Maundy Thursday Holy Hour Vigil

Maundy Thursday Holy Hour Vigil, 28 March 2024



This is now our 3rd year in holding this annual Holy Hour Vigil and it's always a great honour to do so. We started this online Holy Hour due to the pandemic, but we continue to accommodate those who can't have Holy Hour in the church. The action is simple, Jesus asks us to just sit and accompany Him for one hour, while He was feeling great fear and experiencing anguish. Matthew 26:39 "And going a little farther he fell on his face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."

While this may seem like a tradition, it's so much more than that. At Holy Hour, we have prayers and scripture readings as guidance, but the silence in front of the Blessed Sacrament is the most crucial of all.



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In silence, we acknowledge the torments Jesus was going through, because He knew very soon, He would feel abandoned, He would feel pain, He would feel sad and disgraced, and no one wants to go through that. No one. Yet He did, He endured all of those for us. In silence, we align our hearts to His, we sit and embrace His bitter experience.

Matthew 26:40 "And He came to the disciples and found them sleeping. And He said to Peter, "So, could you not watch with Me one hour?" Through prayers and reflections, we return to Gethsemane to comfort Jesus awaiting His final hours. With this Holy Hour devotion, we offer to Jesus Christ the gift of ourselves, our time, our devotion, and our love, even though we are unworthy and yes also sleepy. Yet after sitting through the Holy Hour, another feeling seeps through, contentment. We may feel serene and glad that we got to have this special hour with our dear Lord.



This Holy Hour was held from 8 PM to 1 AM with the same prayers said at every hour. For 5 hours, many stayed for more than an hour and for that we're blessed to have kept watch with Jesus with approx. 34 parishioners kept themselves aware until the final hour. May we be able to continue this ancient devotion with the sincerest of hearts. Have a blessed Easter!

By: Sis Melessa Abineno



Family Apostolic Ministry (FAM)



9th March started with a heavy downpour however that did not stop the transformative talk on **"Enhancing Self-Esteem & Solidarity: Repentance from the Heart"** jointly organized by CCD & Faith Forum, featuring the powerful insights of Fr. Moko SJ, our beloved Parish Priest.

CCD & Faith Forum combined program for Lenten Talk 2024
"Enhancing Self-Esteem & Solidarity: Repentance from the Heart"

Speaker:
Fr. Bambang Triandoko, SJ

Sat. 9 March 2024
Time: 4:00 - 2:30 PM
Venue:
Petrus Andreas Rm
(2nd Floor)

To Register:
Melissa Abineno
0822 6010 3938

Colossians 3:14
"And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness"



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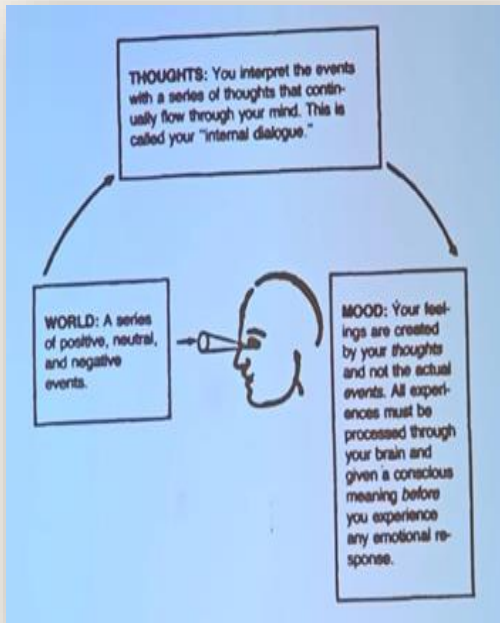
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The opening slide set the tone with a profound message:

“By knowledge and love, we alone are called to share in God’s own life.

This is why we exist!



This is why we were created!

And this is why every person has dignity:
God cherishes each human person.

THIS IS THE FOUNDATION OF OUR SELF-WORTH/ SELF ESTEEM”.

Fr. Moko's impactful discourse shed light on the critical role of self-esteem in an individual's psychological well-being, underscoring its profound impact on relationships, work, and overall mental health.

He delved into the distinction between genuine sadness and depression, emphasizing the power to change our thoughts, emotions, and behaviours in the present moment, thereby reshaping our lives.

Drawing on compelling case studies, a self-awareness checklist and tips on how to boost our self-esteem, he revealed the profound influence of our mindset, illustrating how identical compliments can evoke vastly different responses based on our thoughts about them.

Fr. Moko seamlessly wove biblical wisdom into his discourse, referencing **Romans 12:2** “*Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect*”, to advocate the renewal of our minds and the discernment of truth.

He cautioned against the influence of falsehoods, citing **John 8:44**, **Satan is the “father of lies”**; if our minds are not firmly grounded in truth, then we are more susceptible to his deceptions and highlighted the correlation between beliefs and behaviours, as articulated in **James 2:14**.

The profound takeaway was a resounding call to scrutinize our thoughts, reminding us that **“REMEMBER IT’S A LIE”** unless validated.

Fr. Moko emphasized that negative thinking patterns breed feelings of depression and anxiety, while a positive and realistic perspective on our challenges leads to **GREATER SELF-ESTEEM, INTIMACY, and PRODUCTIVITY**.

Let’s start **Being POSITIVE in Thoughts and Behaviour** to maintain Better Mental Health, Relationships and Work.

By: Sis Carmen Gomez



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Young Adult Pro (YAP)



“Prayer is not a monologue, it's a dialogue.”

“Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God’s thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for Him.” (St. Augustine)

Prayer is not a monologue, it’s a dialogue. Prayer is a unique gift given by God to us because prayer enables us to engage in dialogue with the Creator. In the month of March, Young Adult Professional (YAP) group had a session with Miss Amy, originally from US, who shared her personal journey about the importance of prayer in daily life. She has been ministering around Asia as PIC of resources & team development for Journey Global for over 15 years. She works with local teams throughout Asia such as Pancaran Anugerah Ministry leaders, caring for their growth in Christian faith & spiritually and also in leadership.



The speaker through her personal journey with God shared with us of how prayer has helped her in her life to overcome certain hinderances and obstacles. Prayer is a powerful weapon which can transform anyone's life.

What stood out to me the most was the tangible impact this session had on each of us. Despite being assiduous with our own lives, this was the right moment which each of us gained to engage ourselves in self-reflection. She introduced the Ignatian prayer method, which includes contemplation or reflective prayer to experience a life-changing moment that promotes healing, hope, trust and intimate love for God and for our neighbor. I could sense the ambience of lightness, peace and gratefulness which filled the room as we headed on in faith sharing. All of us shared our deep reflections with each other and the moments

which touched us most in our prayer exercise.

A good number of participants joined and gained a beautiful life experience to indulge themselves in deep prayer and immerse in the intimate relationship with God who always waits for our personal response.



By: Frater Wishal Khan, SJ



Young Adult Pro (YAP) – Visita Iglesia

Visita Iglesia is a religious practice where individuals visit at least seven traditional pilgrim churches on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. The purpose of this practice is to pray, reflect on the Stations of the Cross, and offer personal prayers.

In 2023, this practice was introduced to the Young Adult Professionals Group of St Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish by J-Ar. Initially, seven YAPpies participated, and they were able to visit five churches.

This year marked the second iteration of this activity, with a significant increase in participation. At least 12 individuals joined the Visita Iglesia, and the group successfully visited seven churches to meditate on the Stations of the Cross. Each church provided an opportunity for reflection on two stations of the cross.

Wearing all white, we respectfully visited the seven churches solely by utilizing public transportation, namely GrabCar or taxi. Our Visita Iglesia commenced after the 6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Mass, followed by the procession of the Blessed Sacrament at the **Vatican Embassy**, which was presided over by Papal Nuncio Peiro Pioppo and Fr. Mark.

Our subsequent destination was the **Cathedral Church** in Jakarta, where we were only able to pray at the grotto due to an impending mass. We then proceeded to **Santa Paskalis Church** in Cempaka Putih, where we were fortunately able to meditate inside the church as the mass had just concluded upon our arrival.

Continuing our journey, we visited **Hati Kudus Church** in Senen, where we were able to pray both at the grotto and inside the church, where a tuguran was being held. Afterward, we made our way to **Canisius Chapel** in Menteng. The Visita Iglesia then continued to **St. Ignatius Loyola Church** in Menteng, and we concluded our pilgrimage at **Theresia Church** in Menteng at approximately 1:00 a.m.

Regrettably, some churches were nearly closed when we arrived. However, we are grateful that the individuals present graciously permitted us to enter and pray. The



individuals who joined me in this spiritual journey were Bene, Nina, Widya, Marco, Frater Wishal, J-Ar, Ivan, Eunice, Eloisa, and the Goveas family (Dolphy, Jyoti, and Dallyn).

For me, this **Visita Iglesia** is a precious moment to truly reflect upon the sacrifice that Jesus made to demonstrate the depth of His love for us. Furthermore, it was a meaningful way to spend my time after the Maundy Thursday Mass, allowing me to enter Good Friday with a more prepared heart and mind, focused solely on Jesus.

Additionally, the Visita Iglesia provided an excellent opportunity to strengthen the bonds of family and friendship among us. We were able to spend quality time together, praying and contemplating the stations of the cross, sharing our thoughts and reflections. The journey we undertook together also contributed to the strengthening of our relationships.

I sincerely hope that more people will join this meaningful activity next year.



By: Bro Herto Bastian Abul


Parish Activities in the month of March

TRIDUUM TO SAINTS PERPETUA and FELICITY

MON 4 MARCH - WED 6 MARCH 2024
09:00 PM

Join us on:

Meeting ID: 821 6007 4934
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Triduum to Saints Perpetua & Felicity

During the Triduum, we honour St. Perpetua and St. Felicity, martyrs of the early Church. Their steadfast faith and courage in the face of persecution inspire us as we journey through Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Let us reflect on their example of unwavering devotion to Christ during this sacred time of prayer and contemplation.

Novena to St. Joseph

As we concluded the nine days of novena dedicated to St. Joseph to commemorate his feast day on 19th Mar, let us carry forward his example of faith and humility in our lives. May the prayers offered during this time continue to inspire us to live with the same devotion and love that St. Joseph showed to the Holy Family. Let us remain steadfast in seeking his intercession for our parish and community.

NOVENA TO ST. JOSEPH

SUN 10 MAR - MON 18 MAR 2024
09:00 PM

Join us on:

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COME AND JOIN OUR PARISH INITIATIVES



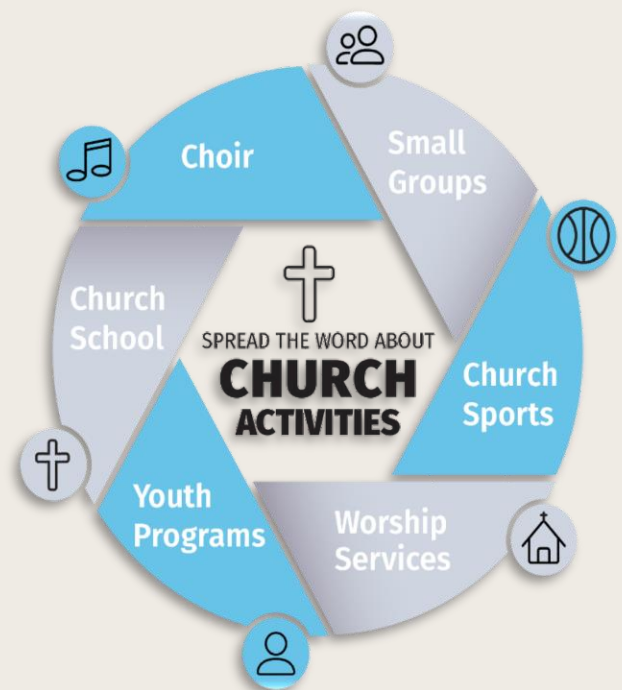
Dear Parishioners, inviting all of you to join our different parish initiatives to serve the Lord and the community. Your talents are your blessings from Lord, please use for the benefits of the community. Below are various Parish communities / groups / sections / ministries or activities you can join and contribute in different ways.



One of the aims is to introduce to our wider parishioners; including the newly baptized among us, that we have group/community with specific activities that they may join or be involved in.

At present our Parish has the following communities/groups/sections/ministries or activities:

- Ushers
- Lectors
- Choir/ Youth Choir
- Altar Servers
- EMHC - Extraordinary Ministries of Holy Communion
- CCD - Confraternity of Christian Doctrine
- RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
- Komsos – Social Communication
- JFC – Jesus Friend of Children
- YF / YFC – Youth Fellowship / Youth for Christ
- CYS – Catholic Youth Society
- YAPro – Young Adult Professionals
- FAM – Family Apostolic Ministry
- VFF – Virtual Faith Forum
- SMPG – Santa Monica Prayer Group
- LOJF EF – Light of Jesus Family English Feast
- CFC – Couples for Christ
- ONLINE Comm.



The fundamental question many parishioners ask: **How Can I Serve in the Church?**

God has given you special talents and gifts that you can use to support your local congregation, help your community, and serve God's children everywhere. You follow the example of Jesus Christ as you seek to meet individual needs one person at a time. Some of the most important service you will give will be informal, simple acts of kindness and love toward individuals without being asked or assigned to do so. You can help others feel God's love and reach their potential as you share your time, talents, and means to help meet their needs. Part of your personal growth and learning will come as you serve in the Church and help others learn and grow as well. As you get to know others in your local congregation, you will realize that you have much to offer them.

Come Join Us, Let's make use of our talents and time to support our Parish in different ways....



YOUR KIND CONTRIBUTION MATTERS

As a vibrant and united community, we have the wonderful opportunity to make a positive impact together through our generosity and support. Our parish thrives on the spirit of compassion and togetherness, and we invite each and every one of you to contribute to the growth and well-being of our spiritual family. We thank all Parishioners for your continued generous contribution for our Parish. You have wholeheartedly supported and helped our parish. You may use the QR code below to pay through Gopay, OVO, Dana, Shopee, T-money or direct transfer to Bank Account - **PGDP Internasional Santo Petrus Canisius, Acct No. 664 177 7773, Bank Danamon** – Cabang Usman Harun, Jakarta, or **Bank Mandiri Account No. 103.000778611-0**



Here is the QR Code for receiving offering and gifts for Mass intentions. Please end your transfer amount with Rp. 22/= (twenty-two) for Mass intentions. For example, if you wish to give 100K gift for Mass intention, kindly transfer to this parish account number the amount of Rp. 100.022,- Thank you and God bless you and your family for your continuous support.

For all other Parish operations cost, you can donate any amount to the above-mentioned bank accounts or by using QR code.

Your
giving
matters
and makes a difference



We are here to respond should you need any information

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Baby & Child Baptism

Baptism

Parish Open for Physical Baptism

For more details please contact Our Parish Secretary WA (08118039728) Tuesday to Saturday - 1000 to 1600 hrs

SING WITH US

- Enthusiastic and Interested Singers
- New members welcome in all voice parts
- Lots of Fun
- Join Our Choir and be part of our family

Please contact:
Bro Pete Lapid 081-1995-0730
Parish Office 081-1803-9728

RECRUITING CHOIR MEMBERS

TUESDAY MASS

Every Tuesday 11:00AM

new LOCATION
@St. Stefanus Church - Cilandak

"This Mass is offered for the prayer intentions of the universal church and the church of Indonesia"

Gift Offering:
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NOVENA TO ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SAT 20 APRIL - SUN 28 APRIL 2024
09:00 PM

Join us on:

Meeting ID: 865 6115 5143
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MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (MPC) 2024

4 DAYS ONLINE SESSION

MAY : 17th, 18th, 24th, 25th
AUGUST : 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 10th
NOVEMBER : 8th, 9th, 15th, 16th

18:00 - 21:00 WIB

FACILITATED BY APOSTOLIC MINISTRY (FAM) TEAM & PRIESTS

Contact for Registration :
STPCICP Office
+62 811-8029-728

FEE: RP. 600.000,- PER COUPLE

NOVENA TO ST. BERNADETTE

SUN 7 APRIL - MON 15 APRIL 2024
09:00 PM

Join us on:

Meeting ID: 865 6115 5143
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FIRST FRIDAY MASS

with ADORATION to the BLESSED SACRAMENT

"PUBLIC MASS", everyone is free to join

Every **FIRST FRIDAY** of the Month:

- 10:00 AM @St. Stefanus Church - Cilandak
- 07:30 PM @St. Theresia Church, Menteng

Back to prepandemic schedule, start from March 2023

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