

# St. Peter Canisius

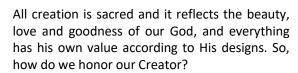
International Catholic Parish - Jakarta

**Monthly Bulletin: NOVEMBER 2020** 

### **Care for Creation**

#### Beloved Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

In the Encylical letter of our Holy Father Pope Francis "Laudato Si" we are encouraged to take care of our common home which is the Mother Earth. In the book of Genesis chapter 1, it expresses that God created everything according to His own designs and He saw that it was good. Every living creatures including human beings co- exists having given individual functions to contribute for the good of our Ecosystem. But, what is happening to our common home today?





We can honor our creator, Lord God the Father by taking care of his creation, our Mother Earth with love, respect and by doing these we can protect the whole humanity and nature from danger and disasters. In this present time, our Mother Earth is reaching out and cries to us because of the harm our societies have done and inflected on her due to our selfish motives and irresponsible use of our freedom which maltreated our Mother Earth that destroys the harmony and peace of our ecosystem. Pope Benedict XVI asked us to recognize that the natural environment has been gravely damaged by our irresponsible behavior.

On the other hand, as we are created in the image and likeness of God which is endowed with such freedom and the capacity of choosing what is good and bad, we have this moral obligations and responsibilities to safeguard and protect the whole creation of God. Moreover, the misuse of creation begins when we no longer recognize that God the Father is higher than ourselves and we have this "I don't care" attitude.

Let us always be mindful that we are stewards of God's creation and in the end of the day we are accountable of our decisions and actions. Surely, we will have to face the consequences of the effect of our immature and evil doings. Therefore, let us all give love and respect every single created being.



Indeed, this is a perfect time for us to wake up, seeing what is happening in our society and common home today. And let ask ourselves, how can I help to save and heal our Mother Earth?

First, there is a call and need for personal and communitarian conversion to help raise awareness to save our Mother Earth. Since, small actions of change by several people make a big changes on a whole. Second, we need to change our mentality and be more sensitive and responsible in disposing our waste, like our garbage. Proper disposal of our garbage is necessary and it expresses our true love and concern to our Mother Earth. We have mountains but no more trees, we have rivers but it is already dry. I remember, Bishop Abet Uy from the Dioceses of Tagbilaran, Philippines, during his Birthday celebration, he encouraged his priest and parishioners to join him in planting trees, an advocacy to save and heal our Mother Earth.

Lastly, to save this Mother Earth, the act of owning is necessary, "this is my home" which I live and belong. Therefore, let us set a good example not only by words but also in actions in order to enjoy the creation of God and to save the Mother Earth not only for today but most especially for the next generation to come.

Fr. Joel Sumooc, OAD





### YOUTH FELLOWSHIP CORNER

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For the month of October 2020, we bring once again reflections written by our young youths from October's Youth Sessions

YF Action Session by Fr: Nikolas Kristiyanto,SJ

Date: 10 October 2020

Topic:- "Pope Francis: Never Give Up"

Pope Francis has inspired us to never give up even if it's hard. Never give up on the people you love. Never give up from being happy. Because life is an incredible show. When you make a mistake, start all over again, only then you will be in love with life.

To be happy is not to have a perfect life, but use imperfections to make our lives better. When we are in darkness, it will obviously be difficult to smile, but there is hope that teaches us to smile on that path to find God. Jesus is the smile of God. He came to reveal to us his love.

The first thing Jesus did was to smile at his parents. Smile to thank God for all the good he does for people. Smiling at people around us is smiling to God. Moreover, he has inspired us to take risks and conquer our fears. If you win, you will be happy.

If you lose, you will be wise. But, be careful and make time to plan. Taking risks doesn't mean being reckless or impossible. Finally, he has inspired us to be men and women on God's mission to reconcile and heal the world and its people.

A topic that I can resonate with is to never give up even when things are hard.

By :- Dylan, Gr 7, National High Jakarta School

Topic:- "Pope Francis: Never Give Up"

I have learned in this youth fellowship to never give up. Fr. Nikolas Kristiyanto, SJ introduced us Pope Francis who has gone through many tough times, from becoming a Bishop to being the Pope. He endured through the tough times and still took on huge responsibility, all while being humble and having only one functioning lung. You might be wondering, how does he do it? Through this youth fellowship, I have learned that his secret may be because he believes that life is beautiful. He tells us not to worry about making mistakes, because only then can you see the beauty of life. However, seeing the beauty of life may be hard sometimes, especially during this pandemic with the current situation. We need to be like Pope Francis and learn to be humble and see the beauty in everything.

Lessons to learn from Pope Francis:

- When you make a mistake, start again. For only then, you will love your life.
- God is so passionate and hard-working, and He always tells us to never give up.
- Life is beautiful
- It is easy to get mad and is hard to see the beauty of life when you are mad
- In this pandemic, sometimes you cannot believe the conditions people are living in.
- While Pope Francis's responsibilities grew, he was still humble to the heart.
- Never forget to smile, even though life is hard
- We have to remember that mistakes are just a bump in our day.
- We are all called to partake in God's mission
- Many actions, big or small, are helping God's mission.

By:- Mason Borromeo Gunawan, G7, SPH Lippo Village

### 06th VIRTUAL FAITH FORUM

By Most Rev. Excellency Edward W. Clark

The Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, California.



Date: 24, October 2020

#### **Topic: A New Way of Reading John's Gospel**

As the Covid-19 Pandemic hampered many Catholics to celebrate the Eucharist and to participate in various church activities, it has not stopped many from quenching their spiritual thirst to acquire better understanding of the Holy Scripture. On October 24, 2020, the St Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish of Jakarta organized its 6<sup>th</sup> virtual Faith Forum featuring a special international guest speaker; the Most Reverend Excellency Edward W. Clark, the Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, California. He led the 2-hr discussion on the topic of "The New Way of Reading the Gospel of John". The session was very well attended by over 50 participants from all over the city.

Bishop Clark has brought in major enlightenment for many participants even though some might have thought that they are already quite familiar with the Gospel of John. Bishop Clark has highlighted the differences between the Gospel of John with the Synoptic Gospels (Mark, Matthew and Luke) whereby the Synoptic gospels mainly focuses on what Jesus has done and said rather than speaking of who Jesus really is as described in John's Gospel. Bishop Clark also mentioned that probably because John has not travelled far to evangelize the early Christianity like the other Scripture writers.

The synoptic Gospels were written from a third person's view, describing the events as if the writers had observed what had happened and then reporting what they saw at the time

They are basically descriptive in their approach whereas John's Gospel, is more reflective and John carefully separated himself from the events he describes where he spoke of the role of the Beloved Disciple in his Gospel.

John's Gospel omits a large amount of material found in the synoptic Gospels, including some important events such as the temptation of Jesus, Jesus' transfiguration, and the institution of the Lord's Supper. John mentioned no examples of Jesus casting out demons. The Sermon on the Mount and the Lord's Prayer are also not found in his Gospel. There are no narrative parables in John's Gospel. In contrast, he only spoke of seven signs Jesus has made and they are:

Changing water into wine at Cana as "the first of the signs" Healing the royal official's son in Capernaum Healing the paralytic at Bethesda. Feeding the 5000.

Jesus walking on water. Healing the man blind from birth. The raising of Lazarus.

It is apparent that John has adopted the "post-resurrection" point of view when he looked back on the events and emphasizes the inability of the apostles to understand the things that were happening in their true perspective at the time they occurred. It is only possible for us to understand these things when we consider the resurrection of Jesus and its significance in God's plan.

#### WHAT'S NEW - LEARNING TO PRAY

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer- Psalms 19:14,

"Living with Joy Through the Heart" is a special online prayer exercise with Fr. Thomas, who will teach us on how to pray with joy and happiness. The main idea is to create a direct connection with God through your HEART.

If you want to know more and want to pray differently and be happy in life, then, please join the second batch of prayer exercise







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#### "LIVING with JOY through the HEART – BATCH #02"

Online prayer exercise with Fr. Thomas H. Tjaya, SJ.

JOIN US! Thursdays 12, 26 Nov, 3, 10, 17 Dec & Friday 20 Nov 2020 19:30 to 21:00 wib



#### Requirements:

- Please SIGN UP with our Parish Office WA No. 08118039728
- Participants have to join ALL sessions (series of six sessions)
- Participants need to have personal space/privacy during the sessions.

#### YOUR KIND CONTRIBUTION MATTERS

**As Pandemic** continues to affect us and no sign of opening the Church for physical masses, and no direct collections are done during the online Mass, we urge the parishioners to support generously. You can use the QR code to pay through **Gopay, OVO, Dana, Shopee, T-money** or direct transfer to the bank account

Below is the account number for receiving offering and gifts for Mass intentions. Please note for Mass intentions kindly add Rp. 22 (twenty-two) on the amount transferred. 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



Name/Parish of origin/City/Intention

included in the following Saturday

Send by Tuesday evening to be

#### **UPCOMING EVENT – CHRISTMAS MIRACLE**

Our beloved Parish, **St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish (STPCICP)** will host Virtual Christmas concert, Pre-concert Exhibition, and Zoom Celebration with the theme of Christmas Miracle. In light of the unprecedented events that occurred in 2020, the virtual concert aims to unite expatriates and Indonesian families in a spirit of gratitude & thanksgiving, and to celebrate the coming of 2021 with hope.



The virtual concert will contain various performing art, such as skits, talks, dances, and poetry reading by different groups within STPCICP: -

- Catholic Youth Society (as host & event organizer)
- Choirs, Altar servers, Youth Fellowship, Youth For Christ & Students of Jesus Friends of Children(JFC), Confirmation & First Holy Communion (FHC)

We also welcome participation from Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, also Parishioners in general, young & old,

To welcome advent as a community with one purpose to support education of youths in Yayasan St. Dominikus (Asrama Putri),

Wonosari, Yogyakarta

To celebrate Christmas together & create memory as STPCICP Family

#### PRAYER CORNER - HOLY ROSARY

October month was dedicated to our beloved Mother Mary by conducting daily online Holy Rosary which was attended by many of the parishioners. Although, physically we were far from each other, but online platform allowed us to come together and pray as one large STPCICIP family. We plan to conduct Holv Rosary on every until Christmas. Wednesday ΑII Parishioners are urged to join the online Rosary. Let's all ask our Mother to bless us and keep us safe and healthy during this Pandemic.....



## **Benefits of the Rosary**

- It gradually gives us a perfect knowledge of Jesus Christ.
- It purifies our souls, washing away sin.
- It gives us victory over all our enemies.
- It makes it easy for us to practice virtue.
- · It sets us on fire with love of Our Lord.
- It enriches us with graces and merits.
- It supplies us with what is needed to pay all our debts to God and to our fellow men;
- and finally, it obtains all kinds of graces for us from Almighty God.



#### **NOVEMBER MONTH**

#### **CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR ONLINE MASSES**

CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 2020 -ONLINE FROM ST. THERESIA				
DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Nov 2, 2020	Monday	All Souls Day	3:30 PM	Genesis Choir
Nov 7, 2020	Saturday	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	3:30 PM	Genesis Choir
Nov 14, 2020	Saturday	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	3:30 PM	Cadenza
Nov 21, 2020	Saturday	Solemnity of Christ the King	3:30 PM	Rorate Caeli
Nov 28, 2020	Saturday	1st Sunday of Advent	3:30 PM	The Choir Immortal

#### PRAYING FOR DEPARTED SOULS

Praying for the departed souls is a long tradition in our Parish, wherein we place a box at the altar for the entire month of November and all those who want to pray for the departed souls, place the names of the departed souls in an envelop and drop in the box. Due to pandemic as we are not able to visit the church, anyone who wishes to follow the same tradition and want to pray for their departed souls, they can still do so by sending your details on WA to the Parish **HP No. +62811-8039-728.** Parish office will print these names and will then drop in the black box placed at the altar in the Church. We will continue this until the end of the month.







#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**



### **NOVEMBER**



For the month of NOVEMBER – 2020, all Sunday Masses will be live streamed on every Saturday at 03:30 pm

To view Live Stream or recorded Mass, please click below:

<a href="http://wwe.expatcatholicparish.org/">http://wwe.expatcatholicparish.org/</a>



## ONLINE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE(MPC)

connected@expatcatholicparish.org

#### Schedule:

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Sat, 07 Nov 2020

Youths and Young Adults, if

you feel you do not have an

answer for your questions, we are here to help you and

Please feel free to ask your

questions/doubts by

sending an email to

- Fri, 13 Nov 2020
- Sat, 14 Nov 2020

COUPLES MUST ATTEND ALL THREE CLASSES

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





## **Online Rosary Every Wednesday**

Time: 0900 pm

Topic: Rosary & Novena (Mary Undoer of Knots)

Speaker: Nadia Clara

Open to all Parishioners

RSVP for Zoom code & password :

Alfa: 081-29413-8899, Patricia: 0816-802-903,











