

# St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish Jakarta

Monthly Bulletin -Dec 2022 & Jan 2023

#### **CHARITY AS PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S LOVE**

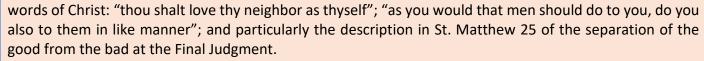
#### Beloved Sisters and Brothers,

Every theological virtue means a share in God's activity. Faith, for instance, is a share in God's act of knowing, whereby the believer knows what God knows. Hope is a share in God's desire; the person with

the virtue of Hope wants the same thing God wants, that is, for the person in question to make it to union with God in Heaven. Charity too is a mode of participating in God's action, the highest mode, for with Charity we share in God's act of love; we are able to love the way God loves. Quite simply, charity is the Love of God, in which we are able to participate.

As a virtue, charity is that habit or power which disposes us to love God above all creatures for Himself, and to love ourselves and our neighbors for the sake of God.

The obligation to perform acts of charity is taught both by revelation and by reason. Under the revelation we may cite the





Reason tells us that we ought to love our neighbors, since they are children of God; since they are our brothers, members of the same human family; and since they have the same nature, dignity, destiny, and needs as ourselves. This love, or charity, should be both internal and external. The former wishes the neighbor well, and rejoices in his good fortune; the latter comprises all those actions by which any of his needs are supplied.

In our social context, Charity is defined as giving resources like time and money without expecting anything in return. This selfless giving serves the most vulnerable in society

and helps ensure that peoples' human rights and needs are met. These are some reasons why charity is important:

#### 1. Charity harnesses the power of community

When people come together, they can make a big impact. Charities depend on individuals who commit to



giving small amounts. While donations from big groups are great, a community that cares about a charity and who they serve is essential. It's those small donations that add up. The power of community proves that when people care and come together, change is more than possible. This inspires others around the world and encourages more participation in charities.

#### 2. Charity teaches the next generation about generosity

Giving to charity is a selfless act. There's no financial return.

Generosity for its own sake creates a more compassionate, community-focused world. Modelling the value of generosity and selflessness to children makes it more likely they will continue to give as adults. This creates lasting change and a legacy of kindness.



#### 3. Charity ensures human rights are respected

Human rights are not something anyone should have to earn. These rights include the right to life, education, work, and free speech. Many charities focus on life's essentials like shelter, food, water, and education. While governments should be responsible for caring for those within their borders, if often doesn't happen for one reason or another. That's why charities are so important.

As a conclusion we can say that charity is that power which disposes us to love God above all creatures for Himself, and to love ourselves and our neighbors for the sake of God. By doing so, we as human being become a family of God.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Fr. B.B. Triatmoko, SJ



### **RENEWAL OF MARRIAGE VOWS**

#### The renewal of marriage

**vows** is symbolic. If a marriage is valid, it can't be made more valid. However, renewing one's marriage vows can be a very effective reminder to the couple and all those present of the significance of the sacrament and how the power of God has brought the couple to such a milestone. As a tradition of the parish, every year **on 01**st **Jan** we call upon all the couples to come forward and renew their marriage vows during the new year Mass.



For couples who wish to reaffirm their love and unity in

marriage, please register through our parish office. You can also contact Sis Christine on HP - +62815-8775-225 or Sis Vinolia HP - +62811-807-209



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#### **ONLINE & OFFLINE MASS SCEHDULE**

ST. PETER CANISIUS INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC PARISH



#### CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR DEC 22 & JAN 23 OFFLINE/ONLINE FROM ST. THERESIA **DATE** DAY MASS TIME **CHOIR** Dec 3 Sat 2nd Sunday Advent 3:00PM **Eucharistic Sounds Choir** Dec 4 2nd Sunday Advent Sun 3.30PM The Choir Immortal Dec 10 3rd Sunday Advent Sat 3:00PM Eucharistic Sounds Choir 3rd Sunday Advent Dec 11 **ELFACS Choir** Sun 3.30PM Dec 17 4th Sunday Advent **ELFACS Choir** Sat 3:00PM Dec 18 Sun 4th Sunday Advent 3.30PM Rorate Caeli Choir Dec 24 Sat Christmas Vigil 3:00PM The Choir Immortal The Choir Immortal Dec 25 Sun 3.30PM Christmas Dav New Year's Eve **ELFACS Choir** Dec 31 Sat 3:00PM Jan 1 Sun Mary Mother of God (New Year) 3:00PM Genesis Choir Jan 7 Sat 3.30PM **ELFACS Choir** Baptism of the Lord Jan 8 Sun Baptism of the Lord 3:00PM ELFACS Choir Jan 14 Sat 2nd Sunday Ordinary Times 3.30PM **Eucharistic Sounds Choir**

**CANISIUS CHAPEL** 

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Rorate Caeli Choir

The Choir Immortal

The Choir Immortal

Eucharistic Sounds Choir

**Eucharistic Sounds Choir** 

2nd Saturday Ordinary Times

3rd Sunday Ordinary Times

3rd Sunday Ordinary Times

4th Sunday Ordinary Times

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DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Dec 4	Sun	2nd Sunday Advent	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Dec 11	Sun	3rd Sunday Advent	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Dec 18	Sun	4th Sunday Advent	6:00PM	ELFACS Choir
Jan 8	Sun	Baptism of the Lord	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Jan 15	Sun	2nd Saturday Ordinary Times	6:00PM	STPCICP Youth Choir
Jan 22	Sun	3rd Sunday Ordinary Times	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Jan 29	Sun	4th Sunday Ordinary Times	6:00PM	Genesis Choir

Wishing all the Parishioners Merry Christmas & Happy New Year 2023. May the blessings of our Lord be always upon you and your family.

Fr. B.B. Triatmoko GJ, Parish Priest, Fr. Thomas Tjaya GJ, Assistant Parish Priest, and Parish Council





# **Youth Fellowship Activities**

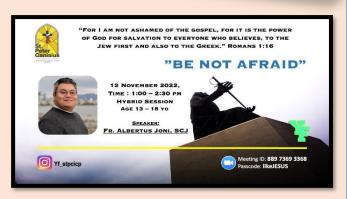


Topic: "Be Not Afraid"

Speaker: Fr. Albertus Joni, SCJ

Date: Saturday, 12 November 2022

Time: 1:00-2:30pm



As the fear of pandemic is slowly reducing, we have started our Youth Fellowship on Hybrid model to encourage our youths to attend physically and those who are across the borders can join through Zoom. We encourage our youths to join the physical session for fellowship and making new friends.



# Reflection #1. By Liessel – South Jakarta Group (Confirmation Class)

In today's Youth Fellowship "Be Not Afraid" a group of children performed a song named "Jesus at the Center". Then there was a Q&A session with the speaker.

Fr. Joni explained how he wanted to be a priest ever since he was a young boy. The children were asked to share their favourite verses from the bible and answer the question "What is one concrete action you can do in your daily life for god?"

Afterwards, one of our Youth, Danny, who sang a closing song "Be Not Afraid" leading by the Priest closing with a Prayer.

**Topic:** United in Christ

Speaker: Cyem Luke C. Valente (YFC)

Canisus Chapter)

Date: Saturday, 26 November 2022

Time: 1:00-2:30pm

Reflection #1 By Tiffany- St. Theresia CCD Group (Confirmation Class)



In this session I learnt that we were asked to spread the word of God, to fight for peace in this world. Satan will always try everything to stop us from uniting or being together.

This means that we have to know how to make relationships with our brothers and sisters in our community such as showing others that we are friendly, sympathizing with others by always being there to help them



out in their times of need and just supporting upright activities like making other communities to spread the word of God. We should also be aware with the situation by understanding the news or trends so we can increase the friendship.

In conclusion, by making these relationships, we can be united and have faith in God because we know and believe that he wants us to be united as one community and spread the word of God. We are not only blessings from God, we are also

blessings to other people in our community. Even if others are different, invite them in working for the mission of Jesus

#### Reflection #2 By Bradley - St. Theresia CCD Group (Confirmation Class)

The YF session today was all about how we are all united in Christ. We are united because we have one belief, one faith, one baptism, and one God. We must be united in Christ because it is god's desire for us to

work hand in hand to accomplish his work. We can only achieve this with the help of others. Satan will try to stop us from coming together, which is why we have to prepare. We must understand how to create and maintain relationships with other people in our community in order to stay united. We have to initiate friendships, be ready to sympathize, be aware of current issues, and support the upright activities of other communities. As a student, I can try to be friends with everyone, as well as support other communities who are underprivileged



by donating and providing certain resources that they may need.

#### Reflection #2 By Celine

God tells us to love one another as God has loved us. He encourages us to be in unity with each other in His love and grace as we are part of his children. As God has blessed us to be his children, we must harmonize as brothers and sisters in Christ's blood.



#### STPCICP ANNOUNCEMENT WA

<u>Official Parish Whatsapp Group</u> especially for the Parish to post information on various schedules, links, reminders of our parish news, official events & services.

Anyone is welcome to join, however only admins CAN post. If you have any inquiry; you are free to contact the parish office.

To join this group, you may click the link below: <a href="https://chat.whatsapp.com/DaFIWjrIGEOJS0fXMkp4zZ">https://chat.whatsapp.com/DaFIWjrIGEOJS0fXMkp4zZ</a>



# 26<sup>th</sup> Virtual Faith Forum



Topic: My Faith & Yours - Why the

Intolerance?

Speaker: Fr. Heru Prakosa, SJ

Date: Saturday, 19 November 2022

Time: 01:00 - 02:30 pm



It was an honour to have been involved in the talk session held by the Parish with the speaker of interreligious dialogue, Fr. JB. Heru Prakosa, SJ. With Indonesia being a country that is highly populated by Muslims, tolerance among religious believers is an essence to embrace, especially being a minority.

Thus far, living in this beloved country has been quite peaceful personally, yet Indonesia surely has its moments where we are in awe of how sometimes intolerance is demonstrated here, for example, how hard it is to build a Catholic Church in some places, merely because they are afraid that their surroundings may one day be attracted to Christianity. The multiple bomb attacks worldwide for the past years (Bali, Kuningan, Twin



Tower) have created such tension between Christians and Muslims. To top it all off, what happened to the former governor of Jakarta, Basuki Tjahaja Purnama for saying a statement related to the Al'Quran, resulted in him being placed in behind bars.

Unfortunately, extremism doesn't occur only in Indonesia but across the world. Quoting Fr. Heru, the cause



of extremism is caused by three voids: **void in the head, the heart**, and **the stomach**. Lack of education results in the inability to think critically. The void in the heart happens when one is unable to deal with differences in his surroundings and the void in the stomach is undoubtedly related to the socioeconomic circumstances which often leads to frustration. At

this point, anything to better their life situation is accepted, even if it includes violence and extremism.

As citizens of a country packed with plural society and background, we need to have a spirit of respect and openness, to not let violence and intolerance grow among one another. In our daily lives, we are challenged to meet and collaborate with anyone, regardless of their religion or belief. Place love above all for our service and interaction with one another remains healthy and resulting in common values, of peace, understanding and betterment of society.

Especially for the youth of our generation, where technology and the media have a major role in influencing their way of life, tolerance and profound respect are basic attitudes to be embedded in their lives. They will come across so many different religions, culture, language, and opinions, and if they are not strongly grounded in respect, they have a chance of going astray.



Let us pray that our generation will grow stronger in faith but remain open and tolerant towards everyone they encounter, helping without being judgemental, humble, and diligent in managing any situation. The Lord continues to bless and keep us.



# **JOY OF GIVING**

O come all ye faithful...Let us practice gratitude and generosity.... 😂 🙏

Our parish invites everyone to take part in our " Dia Joy of Giving On the Christmas we will deliver our gift donations to selected orphanage, refugee center, street children shelters, in cooperation with Lembaga Daya Dharma (LDD) KAJ.

Schedule for your donation drop off: St. Theresia Church.

Tue - Fri 6 to 9 Dec and Tue - Thu 13 & 15 Dec 2022:

Time: 10:00AM to 2:00PM

What can I give?

- snacks/biscuits, chips, cookies, candy, etc. for 180 goodie bags for children. School stationary
- sanitary supplies / baby and children's diapers / UHT milk / stapple food.

"Bring your GIFTS and offer to Jesus at the Crib"
Drop off your gifts at our Parish Office

on 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14 & 15 Dec 2022 from 10:00 to 14:00 hrs.
[All GIFTS will be donated to the Orphange, Refugees & Street Childen]

What can I give? Snacks for goodlebags (biscuits, chips, cookies, candy, milk), baby food, powdered milk, stapple food/sembako, School/stationery items, diapers, sanitary supplies & gift/cadeu.

Pls contact Parish Office 08118039728 before sending any gifts.

Important!! - Pls contact our parish office whatsapp 08118039728 to reconfirm the items needed and to coordinate your delivery/drop off at the office. Please give generously. Thank you

#### **WORLD FOOD DAY PARISH INITIATIVE**

The annual celebration of World Food Day, 16<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022 brings us face to face with one of humanity's greatest challenges: overcoming hunger once and for all is an ambitious goal. *Pope Francis says, "To throw food away means to throw people away".* Keeping this in mind to commemorate the World Food Day, STPCICP has initiated a fund drive to raise awareness and support to end world's hunger in a small way throughout the month of October and November. Let's all join our hands together as parishioners and concerned citizens to end the hunger in the world.

# VISITING REFUGEES' CAMP: EMPOWERED BY THE MARGINALS

#### By: Antonia Rahayu Rosaria Wibowo

In 2003, there was a famous novel entitled "The Kite Runner". It was adapted into movie in 2007 and became famous. Its main story focusses on the friendship between a Pashtun boy and a Hazara boy during the war in Afghanistan. Visiting a refugees' camp at Kalideres suddenly reminds me of that movie since the refugees are Hazara people from Afghanistan.

The Saint Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish Jakarta initiated the event to visit Hazara refugees' camp on Sunday, 4th December 2022 to celebrate the World Food Day (WFD). The WFD donation was collected

since October 2022 and the parish decided to give some of the donation to the refugees. The Young Adult Professional community (YAPpies) was assigned to arrange the event in collaboration with Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS). There were 14 people joined the event from both the YAPpies and JRS. Besides donating groceries, they also held some games for children and talked to the refugees. Through the live interaction, the YAPpies feel empowered especially in this Advent season. One of them shared that one of the refugees said "now you help me, later I will help other refugees" and prayed that it can be true.











# **SPECIAL FEATURE – PARISH INITIATIVES**



Dear Parishioners, this month's bulletin, we are publishing a special feature on all our parish initiatives that includes parish section/groups/communities/ ministries/activities. We will continue to do this until August/September month's bulletin



This will be sort of an "open house" on our parish (spiritual)activities to offer to the parishioners.

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

We thank all Parishioners for your generous contribution during this pandemic period. You have wholeheartedly supported and helped our parish. We urge Parishioners to support our parish generously to continue our parish mission. 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



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 account.







#### We are here to respond should you need any information

Please do not hesitate to contact us @ St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish office. Jl. Gereja Theresia No. 2, Jakarta Pusat - DKI Jakarta. Telephone. +62-21-3917806 / WA +62 811 8039 728, Email. office@expatcatholicparish.org

https://www.expatcatholicparish.org/

#### **Activities in the month of November**



#### **Our Lady of The Miraculous Medal**

The Miraculous Medal also known as the Medal of Our Lady of Graces, is a devotional medal following her apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Those who wear it will receive great grace. With devoutly 9 days novena was recited.



#### **Prayer with Songs from Taize**

St. Theresia's Taize Community with St. Peter Canisius
Young Adults Professionals (YAP) once again
conducted Prayer with Songs from Taize on 28<sup>th</sup>
November 2022 at St. Theresia Church. The worship
includes solemnly & devoutly filled with song,
scripture, and silent meditation.



#### **Devotion of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

Throughout the Year St. Peter Canisius Young
Adults Professionals (YAP) initiated 01<sup>st</sup>
Saturday Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.
This was done in different languages to
highlight our Parish's diversity and inclusiveness



#### **Prayer for the Sick**

Devoutly our parishioners united their hearts in prayer and prayed over their dear ones and everyone who is sick, fighting critical illness, and are in pain. A candle was lit at home as we prayed together online



## Parish FUN-FAIR Event



#### STPCICP's Parish Fun Fair



Date: Saturday, 04th Feb

2023

Time: 1000 am - 0200 pm

Venue: Kinderfield Highfield School, Duren Sawit, East Jakarta



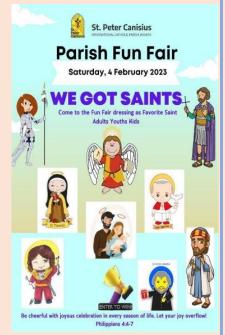


Our Parish is organizing our first fun fair.

A wonderful chance for parishioners & to meet up while serving our guests from the differently abled community, less privileged children, youths & elders. Bring family & friends.

There will be bouncy castles, F & B, bazaar, music, flower arrangement competition, Saint Costume Fashion Show, Got Talent Final, various workshops for all ages.

We welcome ✓ Sponsors ✓ Food & Product Vendors ✓ Any type of support for this event.



For more info to perform on stage, workshops & booth rental,

#### Contact:

Lisa Wong - 0816836889 / Bea Teh Tan - 08119515277 / Alfa Winarno - 081294138899



This is a chance to serve together as one STPCICP Community.











