

# St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish Jakarta

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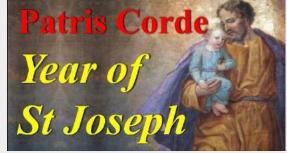
## **Patris Corde**

#### Beloved Sisters and Brothers,

On the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Proclamation of Saint Joseph as the Patron of The Universal Church, Pope Francis has written an Apostolic Letter about Saint Joseph with the title <u>Patris Corde</u>, which means <u>"With a Father's Love"</u>. This is to mark the opening of a Year of Saint Joseph, which runs from 8 December 2020 to 8 December 2021.

Patris Corde is a meditation on the life of St. Joseph, commemorating him as a beloved, tender, obedient, courageous, and faithful foster father to Our Lord and, as such, an example to all fathers. But as St. Joseph is patron of the entire Church, he is a source of spiritual comfort and strength not just to fathers, but also to their children, which includes all of us.

The Holy Father wrote Patris corde against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the



importance of "ordinary" people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation."

As Pope Francis explained, St. Joseph is an example to all of us in his quiet, docile witness to God's salvific plan. This is a reminder that almost no one is converted to the faith (or has his faith deepened) by argument or debate. Rather, people are persuaded by persistent witness to the truth and joy of the gospel. This is exemplified by St. Joseph, whose pattern "is not one that explains, but accepts," says Patris Corde.



At times, we want to be in complete control, yet God always sees the bigger picture. St. Joseph teaches us that faith in God includes believing he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses. He also teaches us that we must never be afraid to let the Lord steer our course.

Trusting God, St. Joseph is our example of keeping our eye on the goal, accepting our evangelistic roles, and "to accept life as it is, with all its contradictions, frustrations and disappointments." By his persistent example of enduring the confusion of a mysterious future, St. Joseph teaches us to persevere with grace rather than to despair with resentment. "Only as a result of this acceptance, this

reconciliation, can we begin to glimpse a broader history, a deeper meaning."

His example can teach us to "set aside all anger and disappointment, and to embrace the way things are, even when they do not turn out as we wish. Not with mere resignation but with hope and courage". Joseph's approach can allow miracles to happen in our lives.

Pope Francis concludes his apostolic letter with the following beautiful prayer to Saint Joseph:

"Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil". Amen.

Fr. B.B. Triatmoko, SJ



## Youth Fellowship Activities



Topic: Challenges in Today's Relationship

Speaker: Bro. Tim Aller – CFC Youth for Christ, National Coordinator

Date: Saturday, 17th April 2021

Reflection #1 by Lauren Francesca L. Mosquera – Grade 07, Ichthus School Jakarta

#### **Circle of friends**

In our today YF session, our topic was about Circle of Friends. Mostly every person has a circle of friends.

You may not know this, but our first friends are our family members. They are the one that care and love for us from the beginning. They are always there for us. Friends may come and go but family stays forever. In this time of pandemic, we do not interact too much with our friends. We do not check up on what has been happening in their lives. We should check up on them from time to time to really know how they are. Sometimes, when we do not check up on them, our relationships are not strong anymore and it is failing. Speaker Tim Aller said that when we open to people, we should try to build up a friendship and relate to them. If we do not try to communicate, we will not build up a stronger friendship.



All of us wants to have a Happy, Healthy and Holy friendship. Friendship helps us connect and become a happy, healthy, and holy relationship. It is important for us to be a friend and having a friend. It is a way for us to become accountable, trustworthy and to become much more open. Openness allows others to help us and let us help others. Having a friendship is a big opportunity for us to open and share. Being open at times gives us the opportunity of being trusted and to trust other people. For us to be open, we should respect, accept, and trust. Respect allows us to be much comfortable with everyone. Trust allows us to rely on one



another. Our relationships or community needs trust. Accountability is when we take on the responsibility on knowing the progress that our friends are going through. Checking up on friends is good and it builds a stronger friendship. Our first friends, which is our family members, will never break their love for us. No one can take away the love of family.

When our friends fall, we also fall. It is because we are close and that we share a good friendship. To become accountable, we should be faithful,

hopeful, and loving. Through faith, we hold on to the truth that anything is possible. Through hope, we continue to seek that there are greater things ahead for all of us. Lastly, Love makes everything worthy and its love that changes everything. Now we are in the era of Digital. We are disconnected because we tend to

disregard and disconnect ourselves with what is important. We may be physically present, but we are mentally absent. But we can become connected with our Lord through prayer. True friendship are blessings from God. It may take time to find this, but it is worth it. Always remember that our first true friend is God and that we rely on him. Through today's YF session, I learned so much on how to build stronger relationships and to never forget that our true friends are always there for us.



#### Reflection #2 by Valerina Wibawa - Grade 08, Mentari Intercultural School, Jakarta

Most of us has our own friends, in different communities we are involved in. Our first friends are our family members, accepting our strengths and weaknesses. Friends will come and go, but family is forever.

Asking someone how they are, its easy but difficult to answer. Sometimes, when the concern of asking the question is not 100%, there is no follow up questions after it at all. All of us are chosen, but not all of us is standing out. It is a start for us to develop friendship. Loosing friends is part of life. The biggest reason is miscommunication which can cause someone to feel hurt and pain. Sometimes we did something that offended someone, but if we do not communicate it, it can lead to bigger problem.

It is important to have a happy, healthy, and holy friendship during this pandemic. In a community, they are there present to remind us about the dos and don'ts. It is hard to be alone because part of what makes us happy is staying connected with others.

It is important to be a friend and have a friend. It is a way for us to be more open. Being open allows others to help us and let us help others as well. It gives us an opportunity to be trusted and trust others. To be more open means that we must be respecting, accepting, and trusting. Any community will be stronger if trust is present. Next is accountability. Take responsibility on knowing the progress that our friends are going through by asking them how they are. If we fall, our friends will also fall, same goes the other way. Our emotions work the same way because we are interconnected. We must correct and remind even if they make mistakes.



Faith makes all things possible and through faith, we hold on to the truth that anything is possible. Next is hope. Hope makes all things work because through hope, we continue to seek that there are greater things ahead for all of us. The last and probably the most important is love. Love makes everything worthy, and it is loving that changes everything. It makes all things beautiful.



Part of the digital age is being disconnected. Because we are in the era of the digital, we tend to disregard and disconnect ourselves with what is important. We are physically present, but we are absent. This serves as a reminder that we should continue being connected with the Lord and the world. Hope that we find true friendship, a blessing from God. It does not grow overnight and will take time to grow and develop. We must remember that our first true friend is God and our family.

In this end, what matters most is that we trust and believe that we can still stand up and continue.

#### Reflection #3 by Nina Limbaco - Grade 08, Mentari Intercultural School, Jakarta

Bro Tim Aller discussed the gift of community, our families, and our friends; that we are united through faith

as disciples of the Lord. He reminds us that our family members are the first people who accepted us for who we are, no matter our shortcomings. We should continue to go to them and communicate with them. It could be something simple like "How are you?" or "How did your day go?". In the end of the day, friends will come and go, but our family will always be there for us.

Another point, that he addressed was friendships, friendships that make us happy, healthy, and holy. As we know, relationships need consistent communication, but it also requires openness, trust, respect, and acceptance. We need to be open to others to help us grow, respect, and accept them for who they are, and treat them as equals. As a community, we need to trust each other and hold ourselves accountable in situations of



struggle and joy. The end of his talk was a powerful message; "True Friendship. These are blessings from God, it doesn't grow overnight".

Topic: After Life

Talk Show by Fr. George Hartono OSE

Date: Saturday, 01 May 2021

Reflection #1 by Clarice Tantra – Grade 08, SPH Lippo Village

## Is there an afterlife?



"What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived the things God has prepared for those who love him" I Corinthians 2:0

There are four possibilities. The first possibility is that heaven and hell are real, and we believe that it is real, so we go to heaven. The second is that heaven and hell are real, and we do not believe, so we go to hell. Another one is heaven and hell are not real, but we believed that it is real, so nothing happens. The last is



heaven and hell is not real and we do not believe it, so again, nothing happens. We do not have proof that heaven and hell exist, but we also do not have proof that they do not exist. With believing that they exist, there is no risk. If we choose not to believe we will not have eternal life. In the final judgment, we will all be judged, and we will either have eternal life or eternal suffering. God does not hate those who do not believe, he hates the sin but not the sinners. To go to heaven, we need to believe in Jesus, do good deeds for Jesus and confess our sins. Only humility will bring us to him. You have nothing to lose if you believe in Jesus. You will have peace, joy and

even suffering will mean nothing if you believe in Jesus because he is with you always and you will never suffer alone.

## What about atheists? What if he/she is a good person but does not believe in God? Will they be judged by the good deeds they do?

Anyone who explicitly rejects the Gospel, and the Church cannot achieve salvation. All salvation comes from Christ and the Church is the visible sign and instrument of that salvation. But there are ways an atheist can still be loved by God and live under the grace of God, because, when people reject God, they are rejecting a certain idea of God and not God Himself.

#### What about ghosts, evil spirits, monsters?

Ghosts and evil spirits are real, though they are different. Ghosts are the souls of humans, whereas evil spirits

were angels before. We do not have to fear evil spirits. When Jesus died, he already won against the devil. If we encounter evil spirits, we should call for help instead of trying to cast them away ourselves if we are not confident. We should not fear them because Jesus is with us. Ghosts need our prayer to get out of purgatory. Demons are not in the shape of monsters. Demons disguise themselves as good beings. They hide, lie, not wanting to be found, finding the right time to bring us down.



In the end, everyone gets what they want. If they choose Jesus and accept his invitation they will go to heaven, but if not then they will go to hell. As Catholics, we do not believe in reincarnation as we only have one opportunity, one life. When we die, we will face personal judgment and the final judgment for everyone.

#### Reflection #2 by Amanda Widjanarko, Grade 7, SPH Lippo Village



The topic of today's YF session was *Afterlife*. There is heaven, hell, and purgatory. It is common knowledge that believers in God are granted the reward of eternal life as we as Catholics do not believe in reincarnation. Catholicism teaches that those who never knew God in their lifetime are not condemned to hell. God judges them gracefully and provides their souls with a place to rest.

The dead can also manifest as ghosts. They do not have malicious intent, but instead need help and prayer from the living to ascend from purgatory and into heaven. Evil spirits, however, are different, on account of them starting out as devils or angels. The best course of action to take when encountering them is to avoid communication, call for help, or cast them away in the name of Jesus. The scripture tells us that God has already overcome all sin, and that those who follow Him are above such spirits.

When putting faith into the Lord, even suffering can feel like nothing. Christianity achieves peace, joy, and privilege, it provides us with an opportunity to become a better, humbler person. Because of this, it is important not to belittle other beliefs as morally corrupt or incorrect in Jesus' name. God hates sin itself but not sinners, meaning we should follow and treat all "sinners" with grace.



## **ONLINE AND OFFLINE MASS SCEHDULE**



DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
May 09,	Sun	06th Sunday of Easter	3:00 PM	Cadenza Choir
May 13,	Thu	Ascension of the Lord	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal
May 16,	Sun	07th Sunday of Easter	3:00 PM	Rorate Caeli Choir
May 23,	Sun	Pentecost Sunday	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal
May 30,	Sun	Holy Trinity Sunday	3:00 PM	Voices of Praise Choir
June 06,	Sun	Solemnity of the Body & Blood of Christ	3:00 PM	Cadenza Choir
June 13,	Sun	11th Sunday of Ordinary Times	3:00 PM	Genisis Choir
June 20,	Sun	12th Sunday of Ordinary Times	3:00 PM	Rorate Caeli Choir
June 27,	Sun	13th Sunday of Ordinary Times	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal

## Family Apostolic Ministry (FAM)



Talk session on "St Joseph as a Husband, Father and Worker, in delivering God's plan".

The talk session was led by Fr. Adrian Adiredjo, OP, supplemented by sharing from 2 couples, Bro Andres & Sis Ariadna and Bro Joko & Sis Ilona, and completed by few questions from participants which were fully responded by Fr. Adrian.



God gives people the ability to take the responsibility and to create plan for their lives. When lives become difficult, we could take the initiative to respond positively, ask God's help and act instead of blaming God and others. When we can respond, we are able to choose then we choose God's will, and we live in God's will. Those are the learning from St Joseph. Instead of blaming God when his original plan did not happen, he responded by taking Mary as his wife, acknowledged Jesus as his son, protected the family by going to Egypt and prepared Jesus to be the Messiah by returning to and living in Nazareth. As a father, St Joseph instilled the divine virtue of faith, hope and love in growing up Jesus.

As a worker, St. Joseph demonstrated honesty and dignity to his work.

Bro Andres and Sis Ariadna, in their sharing, mentioned that their life at one point was not easy. There was time, Bro

Andres lost his job, lost direction but they looked for and received help from God. God is the centre of their life. Although they admitted that they are not a perfect family, but they feel blessed and moving forward.

Bro Joko shared that he put the high trust in God within his working environment, provide security to his wife and family and prepare education to his children, guide his children to stick to God's teaching. Sis Ilona shared how Bro Joko has transformed her and vice versa such that things in their family become workable. Their focus is God, to serve God and put a trust that things will work when they are simply obedient to God.



Thus St. Joseph teaches to be obedient to God's will as he never questioned God's plans in his life. As Catholic men, we have a responsibility to be strong fathers and husbands, leaders in our parishes, good stewards in the community and humble followers of Christ. Let's look to the inspiring example of Saint Joseph, patron saint of fathers, workers and the Universal Church for his obedience, humility, selflessness, courage and the love he showed to Mary and Jesus. If we can emulate St. Joseph even a little each day, we will be that much closer to becoming the men we are called to be.

## **Charity Game Nite for NTT**



An Online Charity Game Nite was organized by our Parish on 01 May 2021 to support the victims of Tropical Cyclone Seroja that hit several areas in East Nusa

**Helping Those in** Need "And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."

Tenggara (NTT) recently. Many of our parishioners who wholeheartedly supported this event by sponsoring prizes, auction items, entry passes as well as direct donations. This online Charity event created lot of enthusiasm and excitement with games, silent auctions, and an opportunity to win prizes. Here is some of the event photographs and the testimony from the participants and prize winners:

Hebat gaya paroki expat dalam bersekutu dalam doa. 👍 🐴 🐴 🥂 Fantastic how the expat parish gather in prayer - Dian Setiati - Bengkel Misi, NTT

Awesome combination of program. Many NTT people also attended -Isabella Nyssa

Hello Alfa, thanks for inviting me. It was fun 😂 🤩 - Fr Thomas Tjaja SJ



Amazing performance. thank you for having me - Fr. Truc Nguyen

Thank you so much STPCICP & event sponsors for the prizes 🉏. My family loves it & we really enjoyed the event 🥰 God bless you

Amazing event tonight! Success! Please convey a big congrats to all those who made it happen!  $\bigtriangleup$   $\bigcirc$  - Melissa Abineno



Who would have guessed that a fund raising night could be so fun? The combination of cultural, kahoot and community performances were done well and the length of the event was just right. Kudos to the young mc's who made the night lively, also for the generous donors and of course to those behind the scene, The Committee, who has worked very hard to make it all happened. We should not forget how our "fun", actually generated the "funds" that NTT needs so badly right now. Let's do it again & let's do it better with more attendees!! - Prisca Andriessen

When winning the gift, I was extremely overjoyed, and I was extremely happy that I won so now I can grill barbecue – Jarvis Goveas

Dear NTT Charity Nite Team, during this pandemic time, the NTT charity nite was our second participation (Christmas Miracle Nite being the first one). Our family (myself and Budhi, my husband,

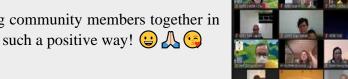


together with our two children, Fiorine (19) and William (12)) really appreciate the STPCICP team that have worked hard to organize and bring such gatherings and fellowships together, especially in this time of many limitation that we have to experience due to the pandemic.

We think the event itself is very fun by design. We enjoy the excitement created by the kahoot questions; we even compete against each other at home in addition to the whole kahoot participants online.

We also appreciate the praying together time in this event as well as other praying / rosaries / novenas that have been organized by the STPCIC team, even sometimes at nightly basis.

Thank you so much again for bringing community members together in



















All the proceedings from this Charity Nite as well as Parish donation drive was sent to Bengkel Misi St. Yoseph, Kabupaten Sikka - NTT

We feel very blessed with the abundance number of gifts and help by all to make this Charity drive fruitful. We want to thank each one who supported in whatever possible ways, mainly our Parish Priests, Parish Council Members, other priests, young adults, YF, children, donors, and sponsors. Thank you and God bless one and all.



## **ALTAR SERVERS - NOBLE ACT OF GIVING**

#### 05 LOVES & 02 FISH OUTREACH PROGRAM FOR THE NEEDY



The 5 Loaves & 2 Fish Program initiated by the Altar Servers since Nov 2020 continues to reach out monthly to the needy around us. With the donations given from the altar servers' allowance, last month we visited a village in Karawang and supported around 25 villagers. The smiles on the faces of those needy is a real blessing to our Altar servers and May God open their hearts to contribute much more to bring further smiles to those who are in need.

The altar servers' distribution of five loaves and two fish is a rather kind and compassionate gesture. Last month me and

my brother took the initiative to visit my driver's villagers who were affected by the recent floods. Many had lost their personal properties and our simple gesture just made their smiles brighter. We were overjoyed to see the happy faces of everyone who had got the gift hamper which included rice, cooking oil, squash bottle, and cloth face masks. My driver's kids were extremely delighted by the chips and chocolates they got. Much of this was made



possible by the donations of all the altar servers, who donated to make today's day special for everyone who the altar servers helped even though they could not be there – *Jarvis Goveas*.



If you wish to help continue this program, you're welcome to contribute. For more details, please contact Sis Melissa on HP No. +62 822-6010-3938





## 5 LOAVES and 2 FISH Charity Program

Transfer your gift to:

Bank Danamon – Cabang Usman Harun

PGDP Internasional Santo Petrus Canisius

Acc No. 664 177 7773

"If Jesus can feed 5000 people with five loaves & two fish, imagine how many people we can help"

## 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 below to pay through **Gopay**, **OVO**, **Dana**, **Shopee**, **T-money** or direct transfer to the bank account - PGDP Internasional Santo Petrus Canisius, Acct No. 664 177 7773, Bank Danamon – Cabang Usman Harun, Jakarta

Below is the QR Code 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



## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)



On Saturday, 10 April 2021, during the special Holy Mass, we welcomed our RCIA candidates for full communion as our new Catholic brothers and sisters through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).





RCIA is a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Catholicism who are above the age of reason. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. The basic process applies to adults and older children.

## **ONLINE COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN APR 2021**

#### 10th Virtual Faith Forum

10<sup>th</sup> Virtual Faith Forum was conducted on the Topic of "Easter Revealing the Triumph of God's Love and Hope" by Fr. Sylvester ASA, C.I.C.M on Saturday, 24 April 2021 from 0100 pm to 0230 pm. Fr. Sylvester joined us from Rome to speak on what Easter meant to us and how we can celebrate the Easter season meaningfully.

## **Novena to The Divine Mercy**

As a Parish Tradition, this year too we prayed The Divine Mercy Novena for Nine days. The Divine Mercy novena is prayed between Good Friday and the Sunday of Divine Mercy, which is the Sunday following Easter. Those praying the novena are to pray for the special intentions of each day followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

## **Novena to St. Peregrine**

This year our Parish first time-initiated Novena to St. Peregrine to pray for all the Cancer patients from Friday, 23 April 2021 to Saturday, 01 May 2021. St. Peregrine is the Patron Saint of Cancer Patients and all illness. St. Peregrine was known for his holiness but also for a miraculous healing that he received. He was scheduled to have his leg amputated because of a cancerous growth. The night before the surgery, he prayed for healing, received a vision of Christ coming down from the cross to touch his leg and was completely healed. Many who have reposed their faith in him and prayed have got miraculously healed.



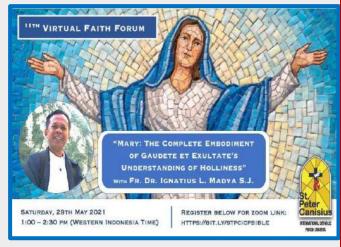




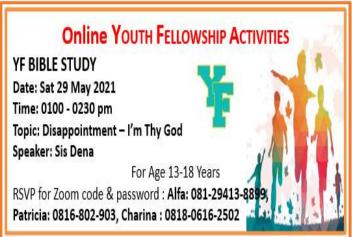












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