

# St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish Jakarta

### Monthly Bulletin - October 2025

Faith Formation Series: Belonging to a Community

(Reflection from a guest Priest)

#### Beloved Sisters and Brothers,

One of the deepest longings of the human heart is to belong. We are not created to walk alone. From the beginning, God has placed us in families, in friendships, and in communities where we can grow, share, and serve. For Catholics, this belonging finds a special home in the parish.

A parish is not simply a building where we attend Sunday Mass. It is a community of faith, a family of families, where together we hear the Word of God, celebrate the sacraments, and support one another in our Christian journey. The parish is where our faith takes concrete shape — where we pray, learn, and live the Gospel with others.

Here in Jakarta, the international parish of St. Peter Canisius is a unique expression of this reality. People come from many different nations, cultures, and languages. Yet at Mass we recognize that we are one Body in Christ. Diversity does not divide us but enriches us. Each person

brings something to share, and together we form a living mosaic of faith.



As a guest priest, I feel grateful to witness the spirit of St. Peter Canisius parish. My prayer is that each of you may continue to find not only a place of worship here, but truly a home — a community where faith is lived, shared, and celebrated together.

Why does it matter to belong to and be active in a community like this? First, because faith is not private. Jesus always calls us into communion. Second, because in community we find encouragement. Life is not always easy, but walking together gives strength. Third, because the parish oMers us opportunities to serve. Each time we volunteer, join a group, or share our gifts, we discover the joy of contributing to something greater than ourselves. There are also very practical benefits. When you are

sick or struggling, it is the parish community that can pray for you and support you. When you want your



children to grow in faith, the parish provides catechesis and example. When you feel lonely in a big city like

Jakarta, the parish gives you a place to belong, where people know your name and welcome you.

Of course, community life is not without challenges. Cultural differences, busy schedules, or misunderstandings can sometimes make belonging difficult. At times, we may even be tempted to stay on the margins. Yet precisely in these challenges we grow in patience, humility, and love. Belonging means choosing to stay, to forgive, to listen, and to keep building up the Body of Christ.

If I may ask you a simple question: if I asked you right now, how many names could you mention of people in your parish community? Perhaps this is a gentle reminder that belonging is not passive — it requires commitment and relationship. To know and be known, to love and be loved, is the true gift of parish life.



Fr. Noel Villafuerte, SDB

# World Food Day: A Call to Action

## World Food Day 2025 – Parish Call to Action

World Food Day, celebrated every year on 16 October, reminds us of the importance of food

Participating in the World Food Day (WFD)
program of the Archdiocese of Jakarta:
"Indonesian food towards a
healthy Indonesia"

Inviting all parishiners to contribute on our
parish charity drive

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"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to
drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me" - Mit. 25:35

security and the call to end hunger worldwide. This year, the Archdiocese of Jakarta (KAJ) invites us to reflect on the theme: "Indonesian food towards a healthy Indonesia."

As a parish, we are called to live out Christ's love by reaching out to those who are struggling. Jesus reminds us in the Gospel: "For I was hungry, and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Mt 25:35).

In response, we invite all parishioners to generously support the Special Love Offering for World Food Day, which will run from *4 October until 30 November 2025*. Your kindness—whether through financial contributions, food donations, or prayerful support—will help provide meals for families, bring hope to the hungry, and ensure that no one in our community is left behind. Together, let us be the hands and feet of Christ, sharing His love through this meaningful initiative.





### Online & Offline Mass Schedule



#### ST. PETER CANISIUS INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC PARISH

## CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 2025 FROM ST. THERESIA CHURCH Sat 3:30pm (Offline) & Sun 3:00pm (Online)

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DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Oct 4	Sat	27th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:30PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
Oct 5	Sun	27th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:00PM	The Choir Immortal
Oct 11	Sat	28th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:30PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
Oct 12	Sun	28th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:00PM	ELFACS Choir
Oct 18	Sat	29th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:30PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
Oct 19	Sun	29th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:00PM	ELFACS Choir
Oct 25	Sat	30th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:30PM	Eucharistic Sounds Choir
Oct 26	Sun	30th Sunday Ordinary Time	3:00PM	The Choir Immortal
CANISIUS CHAPEL- SUNDAY AT 6:00PM				
DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Oct 5	Sun	27th Sunday Ordinary Time	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Oct 12	Sun	28th Sunday Ordinary Time	6:00PM	CFJ Choir
Oct 19	Sun	29th Sunday Ordinary Time	6:00PM	Genesis Choir
Oct 26	Sun	30th Sunday Ordinary Time	6:00PM	Genesis Choir

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

# October: Month of the Holy Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the most cherished devotions of our



Catholic faith. It is a time to honour Our Lady and to meditate on the life of Christ through the mysteries of the Rosary. October also includes the *Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7*.

For the past five years, our parish has been united in this devotion through the daily evening online Rosary, and it has become very close to our hearts. Throughout the year, we continue to pray the Rosary together as one parish community, strengthening our faith and fellowship.

To commemorate this special month, we will once again gather every evening at 9:00 PM to pray the Rosary online. We warmly invite all parishioners to join and experience the grace of Our Lady's intercession as we grow closer to Jesus through this beautiful prayer.





# Youth Fellowship Ministry



#### Youth Fellowship – A New Chapter of Sharing and Growth

Since August 2025, our Youth Fellowship (YF) has introduced a refreshing new format for our gatherings. Instead of the usual sessions led by a guest speaker, this approach gives the youth themselves the opportunity to share openly, listen to one another, and build deeper connections. The aim is simple yet meaningful: to strengthen bonds, grow in understanding, and bring fresh energy into our fellowship.

Following the success of Episodes 1 & 2 in August, we continued the series with Episodes 3 & 4 in September 2025. Episode 3: "What A Real Love Looks Like" was held on 13 September, followed by Episode 4: "U-Turn to Him: Road Back Home." Both sessions created heartfelt exchanges and sparked genuine reflection among our young parishioners.

We look forward to continuing this series on a monthly or bi-monthly basis, welcoming more youth to join, participate, and journey together in faith and friendship.

Below are some reflections shared by our youth from Episodes 3 & 4.

Topic: Welcome to the Conversation

Episode 3: What A Real Love Looks Like

Date: 13 Sept, 2025

Reflection #1 – Mika, SSA Sunter

We learned that there is no relationship that God does not want for us. We need to have a close relationship with God and the person so we can easily forgive them for their mistake. We were reminded about the importance of forgiveness well, just like Jesus said, forgive them 77x if necessary.



What's crucial is that we need to renew that particular relationship DAILY to keep it away from the enemy. Love each other despite their biggest sins.

## Reflection #2 - Abramando Emily, National High Jakarta School

We learned about our true identity, that we are children of God, because God has given us a purpose and he has given us a life with him. God's love is unconditional. Even if we commit many sins and take his grace for granted, he will keep his faith in us until we will come back with him. Until we come home.



Topic – Welcome to the Conversation

Episode 3: U-Turn to Him: Road Back Home

*Date* -27 *Sept*, 2025

Reflection #1 - Abramando Emily, National High Jakarta School

Despite their failures, God's love remained constant, offering forgiveness and renewal. The promise of the coming Messiah shows how deeply God cares for humanity, providing salvation and peace. Zechariah proves that God's love does not depend on perfection, but on His everlasting mercy and faithfulness.







2nd Floor Petrus Andreas Room

1PM - 2.30PM

12-17 Years Old
REGISTER HERE

U-TURN TO HIM:

ROAD BACK HOME



# Altar Server Ministry



#### Welcoming the New Altar Servers to the Ministry

Our Parish is blessed with 13 eager young children who wish to serve the Lord on the Altar. For 4 weeks every Saturday, starting from 23 August 2025 till 20 September 2025, these children have followed spiritual, liturgical, and practical training on what it means to serve, who they will be serving, the humility they must foster and the faith they will nurture as they are serving.



With the guidance of Sis. Mimi, Bro. Ivan and Sis. Melissa, the liturgical classes were engaging, with quizzes the altar servers enjoyed answering. Despite their young age and busy schedule, they were eager to learn, consistently showing up each week, asking interesting questions, and attentively watching the instructional videos presented to them.

The practical classes were a bit challenging since they had much to remember but must remain calm and reverent while at the same time, moving the right way as to not cause distractions to the congregation. After only two weeks of training, they appeared to have grasped the routine better.

We present to you the Altar Servers of St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish Batch 2025:

- 1.Marc Ethan Wanandy
- 2. Evangeline Audrey Wanandy
- 3. Wilma Wahju
- 4. Taingi Wang
- 5.Evelyn Bing
- 6.Anna Angelique Espina
- 7. Colin Francis Speranza
- 8. Raphael Glenn Akira Atmajaya
- 9. Peter Clarence Budiyanto
- 10. Joseph Daniel Waruntu
- 11.Johannes Nathan Waruntu
- 12. Carvel Matthew Junus
- 13.Christian Joseph da Silva Tan

May the Lord continue to bless each of you as you begin your journey of serving the Holy Trinity through the priest and the congregation. May you always find joy in being in the presence of the Lord at the Altar and may your ministry as altar servers be filled with sincerity, faith, and grace.











## **CCD** Corner



## Ark Bible Club (ABC): A New Beginning for Our Little Ones

On Sunday, 7 September 2025, our parish joyfully began a new initiative for our youngest children — the Ark Bible Club (ABC). Specially created for children aged 4 to 8 years old who have not yet received their First Holy Communion, this weekly program is designed to nurture their faith through simple Bible stories, songs, prayers, and activities that help them know and love Jesus. The classes are held every Sunday from 2:30 to 4:30 pm, with the loving guidance of our volunteer teachers.



We are blessed that one of our volunteer teachers, who led the very first session, has shared her reflections

with us. Her words capture the joy, innocence, and grace experienced during this beautiful new beginning.



#### First Sunday Class with Children: Reflection by Sis Paula Roque

Yesterday, September 7, 2025, marked the beginning of our Sunday class journey with the children. It was a joyful and grace-filled experience to welcome them for the first time The children showed eagerness and curiosity, even as they were adjusting to a new environment.

We began with introductions, which helped set a warm and welcoming atmosphere (it helped that I knew some of the

them already) The main lesson, centred on "Jesus loves me and I want to follow Him" was shared in simple words with visuals and storytelling, reminding them of God's love and His creations and why God sent His Son (colourful visuals are always best to get the children's attention.) The activities included:

- 1. Active discussion,
- 2. "Simon Says" game,
- 3 Singing with action "Jesus loves me", and
- 4. Stained glass Cross art

Their enthusiasm during the activities reflected both their engagement and their natural joy in learning about God.

One challenge was keeping their attention throughout the lesson, but gentle guidance, interactive participation, and short activities proved helpful.



⚠ It's important to set the rules at the start and remind them throughout the class. Ask them what rules they can suggest...

- 1. Listen to the teacher.
- 2. Sit down nicely.
- 3. Ask permission to go out.

\*Overall, the first class was a success ~ it planted seeds of faith, friendship, and joy.

With God's grace, this will grow into a beautiful journey of learning and discipleship in the Sundays to come

We will continue the Ark Bible Club classes every Sunday, and we warmly encourage parents to send their children. Together, let us sow the right seeds of faith in their hearts, so that they may grow in love and come closer to our Lord Jesus Christ.





# Yippie! The Church Has New Saints!

Newly Canonized Saints: Carlo Acutis & Pier Giorgio Frassati



On September 7, Pope Francis declared St. Carlo Acutis and St. Pier Giorgio Frassati as saints of the Church. Both of them, though from different times, inspire us in unique ways.

*Carlo Acutis*, a teenager from Italy who passed away in 2006, used his skills with computers to share his deep love for the Eucharist. He created a website documenting Eucharistic miracles, showing how modern technology can be used for God's glory. His simple motto was: "The Eucharist is my highway to Heaven." Carlo teaches us that even young people today can live a holy and meaningful life by putting Jesus at the center.

*Pier Giorgio Frassati*, who lived in the early 1900s, was a joyful young man known for his love of the poor, his strong faith, and his passion for friendship and service. He showed that holiness is not distant but can be lived in the simplicity of helping others, enjoying life, and standing firm in faith.

Both saints remind our youth that holiness is not about being perfect, but about using our gifts, living our faith with joy, and walking with Christ in our daily lives. As Scripture tells us:

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." (1 Timothy 4:12)



# National Month of the Holy Scriptures

# NATIONAL MONTH OF THE HOLY SCRIPTURES 2025 Dates: 7, 14, 21 and 28 September 2025 Registeration at 12:00 Bible Study & Sharing at 12:30 – 14:00 Venue: Ruang Pertenuan I\*\* Floor At St Theresia Church Menteng Bring your Holy Bible http://bit.ly/Stpcicpholyscriptures2025

#### Bible Study – National Month of the Holy Scripture

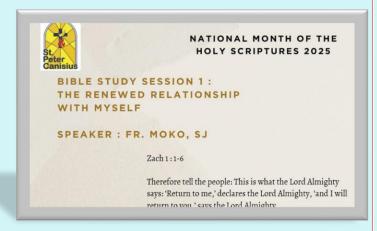
In commemoration of the National Month of the Holy Scripture, our parish organized weekly Bible Study sessions throughout September. Each week, around 35–40 parishioners gathered to deepen their understanding of the Bible and its context, making this initiative a true blessing for our community.

The sessions were interactive, enriched by small group discussions that allowed participants to share insights, ask questions, and reflect more deeply on God's Word. We are especially grateful to our priests, who dedicated their time to guide us through different books of the Bible, helping us to grow in love for Scripture and to experience more profoundly how God pours out His love upon His people.

Below are some reflections shared by participants who were touched and inspired through these sessions.

## Reflection by Bro Arifin Soedarsono: The Renewed Relationship with Myself

On Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025, our parish priest Fr. Moko SJ, led us on our first Bible Study. We learn that **Catholic Bible** consists of 46 Old Testament books and New Testament of 27 books. The total of 73 books were used **from time of the apostles** until now by Catholic Church.



When Martin Luther started Protestantism,

he removed 7 Deuterocanonical (second canon) Books of the Old Testament, namely, **Tobit, Judith, Wisdom (of Solomon), Sirach (Ecclesiasticus), Baruch, 1 & 2 Maccabees**, additions to **Daniel** and **Esther** 

**Protestant Bible** excludes these, calling them the Apocrypha (Martin Luther considered them useful but not divinely inspired). Protestants use only 39 books of the Old Testament, without the 7 books that had been used by our Apostles and confirmed to be divinely inspired by early church fathers. The Old Testament books were written in Hebrew & Greek. New Testament books were completely written in Greek.

Father Moko also guided us on major English Bible Translations, so that we can choose properly:

#### **Catholic Editions**

- Jerusalem Bible: Noted for accessible language and scholarly footnotes.
- New American Bible (NAB): Used for Catholic Mass readings in the United States. There is a newer Revised Edition of NAB called the New American Bible Revised Edition (NABRE)





• Revised Standard Version – Catholic Edition (RSV-CE): Popular in both academic and devotional circles.

#### **Protestant Editions**

- King James Version (KJV): The classic English Bible, still beloved for its majestic prose.
- New International Version (NIV): Favored for contemporary readability and broad acceptance.
- English Standard Version (ESV): Gaining popularity among evangelicals for its faithful rendering of original texts.

Catholic interpretation of Bible is guided by three principles:

- 1. Reading Scripture "in the light of the same Spirit by whom it was written"
- 2. Interpreting any passage within the unity of the whole Bible and in harmony with the Church's Tradition from early church fathers and teachings guided by Magisterium.
- 3. Respecting the literal sense and seeking the spiritual senses.

Catholic church discourages private interpretation that contradicts the Church's teachings or the unity of the faith. Protestants use concept of Sola Scriptura, letting individuals to freely interpret Bible verses leading to disunity and growth of different denominations.

In this Bible Study, we also learned from a reading from the book of Zechariah 1:1-6

Call for Obedience. ¹ In the second year of Darius, [a] in the eighth month, the word of the Lord came to the prophet Zechariah, son of Berechiah, son of Iddo: ² The Lord was very angry with your ancestors. [b] ³ Say to them: Thus says the Lord of hosts, Return to me—oracle of the Lord [c] of hosts—and I will return to you, says the Lord of hosts. ⁴ Do not be like your ancestors to whom the earlier prophets [d] proclaimed: Thus says the Lord of hosts: Turn from your evil ways and from your wicked deeds. But they did not listen or pay attention to me—oracle of the Lord. — ⁵ Your ancestors, where are they? And the prophets, can they live forever? ⁶ But my words and my statutes, with which I charged my servants the prophets, did these not overtake your ancestors? Then they repented [e] and admitted: "Just as the Lord of hosts intended to treat us according to our ways and deeds, so the Lord has done."

We were asked to ponder the central message of the Prophets, especially Zechariah, for the New Testament? God had sent his prophets including Zechariah to Israelites offering Hope that the Lord was always ready to receive them provided they repented and followed the words and statutes of God.

For us the Lord has sent His Only Begotten Son, even stronger showing of love and mercy of God to return to Him, He will return to us.

#### Reflection by Sis Carol Susanto: The Renewed Relationship with One Another

On Sunday, 14 September 2025, Fr. Effendi Sunur, SJ shared a meaningful reflection on the theme "Renewed Relationship with One Another", guided by the passage from Zechariah 7:1–14. In the scripture, the people asked about continuing their fasting practices, but God's response made it clear that true devotion is not found in empty rituals but in living out justice, compassion, and mercy. Fr. Effendi reminded the congregation that God desires not superficial religion but a living relationship—one that renews our bond with Him and with one another.

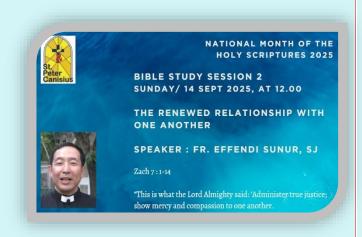


Fr. Effendi pointed out several challenges that often hinder this renewed relationship. The first is indifference, which he described as the true enemy of love. The danger is not outright hatred, but the decision to turn away from those in need, doing nothing when we could act. Secondly, he spoke about superficial religiosity, where faith is reduced to external appearances or religious activity meant to make us look righteous, instead of genuine service and care for others.

The third challenge is individualistic religiosity, where the concern is only about "my salvation" and personal

comfort. Faith becomes shallow when it is only about what is easy or convenient. Finally, he warned against disobedience, when people deliberately avoid or reject God's call because it disrupts their comfort. This, he stressed, leads to hardened hearts, much like in Zechariah's time when the people refused to listen and were scattered.

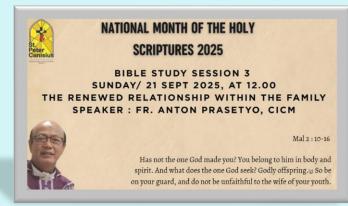
In closing, Fr. Effendi reminded the faithful that God does not want His people to remain trapped in guilt or in remembering only the sins and tragedies of the past. Instead, He calls us to focus on active obedience and an active walk with Him—expressed in compassion, justice, and mercy toward others. Renewing our relationship with God always flows into renewed relationships with one another, for only in love and service do we truly reflect His presence in our lives.



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#### Reflection by Sis Vinolia Suriyanto: Renewing Relationships within the Family (Malachi 2:10–16)

On 21 September 2025, the Family Apostolic Ministry coordinated the third session of our parish Bible Study, focusing on "Renewing Relationships Within the Family" based on Malachi 2:10–16, in accordance with the Archdiocese's guidance. The session was led by



Fr. Anton Prasetyo, CICM, who combined his biblical knowledge with his expertise in psychotherapy.

#### Family Challenges Today

Fr. Anton highlighted the many issues modern families face, particularly across different generations—Baby Boomers, Gen X, Millennials, Gen Z, and even the youngest, Gen Alpha and Beta. Many problems stem from a lack of communication between husband and wife, leading to broken families and the suffering of children. Young people often struggle with insomnia, depression, suicidal tendencies, and behaviors like



**FOMO (Fear of Missing Out), JOMO (Joy of Missing Out), and YOLO (You Only Live Once)**. These struggles reflect a deeper need for strong family bonds and faithfulness at home.

#### The Message of Malachi

The Prophet Malachi spoke to Israel at a time when indifference to faith was widespread. Husbands were divorcing their wives to marry foreign women, breaking their covenant with God. Malachi reminded them that marriage is sacred: unfaithfulness to one's spouse is also unfaithfulness to God.

- Verse 10 reminds us that we are all children of one Father, created by God, called to live in unity and not betray one another.
- Verses 11–12 condemn idolatry and unfaithful marriages that defile the temple of the Lord.
- Verses 13–15 stress that God rejects offerings when marital faithfulness is broken, since marriage is a covenant meant to raise godly offspring.
- Verse 16 strongly declares God's hatred of divorce and injustice, urging us to safeguard our lives by remaining faithful.

In today's context, Malachi's message is still relevant: God calls us to renew our family relationships with love, unity, and lifelong faithfulness.

#### **Reflections from Participants**

During group discussions, parishioners shared their insights:

- On the unity of husband and wife: Marriage is a sacred, lifelong commitment of mutual love and self-giving, creating an unbreakable bond in God.
- On the consequences of failed marriage: Children suffer deeply, often facing emotional distress, loneliness, and long-term psychological struggles.
- On relevance today: Malachi 2:10–16 continues to remind us of the importance of fidelity in marriage and faithfulness to God, which sustains families and communities.
- Personal testimony: One participant shared how a long-distance marriage due to residency issues tested their relationship, but with prayer, faith in God, and consistent communication, they were able to remain strong and united.



This Bible Study reminded us that God desires families to be places of love, fidelity, and faith. Strengthening relationships within the family is not only vital for the wellbeing of spouses and children but also an act of faithfulness to God Himself.







# THE AMAZING GRACE 2.0

Following the success of our last Amazing Grace event, we are excited to bring you The Amazing Grace 2.0 as part of our Parish's 7th Anniversary Celebration. We warmly invite



all parishioners to join in this fun-filled activity of faith, joy, and fellowship!

#### m Sunday, 12 October 2025

- **O** 6:30 AM 10:00 AM
- St. Theresia Church, Menteng, Central Jakarta
- § Rp100.000 (includes an official Amazing Grace 2.0 T-shirt)

#### Registration

Register here: https://bit.ly/AmazinGrace2

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Let us celebrate this joyful occasion together as one parish family in Christ!





# Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) Ministry

#### Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens

(Saturday, 27 September 2025 – 3:30 PM Mass)

Our parish joyfully celebrated a special milestone in the lives of those journeying toward becoming members of the Catholic Church. During the 3:30 PM Mass on 27 September 2025, Fr. Thomas presided over the Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, a significant step observed in all parishes across the Archdiocese of Jakarta (KAJ).

The Rite of Acceptance is the first formal step in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) — the process through which adults (and sometimes older children) prepare to receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist.

Through this beautiful rite, those who have never been baptized publicly express their desire to follow Christ and are warmly welcomed by the parish community. During the ceremony, they are signed with the cross as a symbol of belonging to Christ and are now officially called *Catechumens* — those preparing to be fully initiated into the Catholic faith.

#### The rite includes:

- A declaration of intent to follow Christ
- The signing of the senses with the Cross
- The presentation of the Word of God
- A prayer of blessing and dismissal

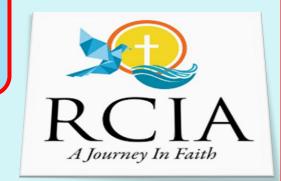
This moment marks the beginning of a new spiritual journey, one where our parish community promises to accompany and support them through prayer and witness.

STPCICP fondly says: "Welcome — you belong here. We will walk with you on your journey of faith."

Let us keep our catechumens in our prayers, that their

hearts may remain open to God's love and that they may grow in faith, hope, and joy as they continue their journey toward full communion with the Church.













## **Bringing the Church Closer to You**

#### Reaching Out Closer: Territorial Contact Person for Our Catholic Expat Community in Greater Jakarta

St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish has been entrusted with the pastoral, sacramental, and evangelical care of Catholic expatriates residing across the Archdiocese of Jakarta (KAJ).

To strengthen connection and communication within our growing community, we are pleased to introduce our Territorial Contact Persons — dedicated volunteers appointed to serve as bridges between the parish and parishioners in different areas of Greater Jakarta.

Their main role is to assist expatriate parishioners — especially newcomers — by:

- Providing information about parish life, Mass schedules, ministries, and registration.
- Helping coordinate pastoral and sacramental needs with our parish priests.
- Creating local WhatsApp groups (similar to lingkungan) to keep everyone connected and informed about parish updates and activities.

We now have five volunteers serving as Territorial Contact Persons across Central, South, West, North Jakarta, and Tangerang.

Their photos are featured below, feel free to reach out and connect with your area's representative, if you need more information on this, kindly contact the parish office.

Sis Irene Sutanto for Central Jakarta

Sis Bang Tan for South Jakarta Sis Lisa Wongsosuhendro for West Jakarta











Sis Eunice Tirtalukita for Tangerang

Together, let us continue to grow as one caring and united Catholic community, supporting one another in faith and friendship.



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## PARISH ONLINE PRAYER ACTIVITIES



#### Novena to St. Joseph of Cupertino

From 10 to 18 September, our parish prayed the Novena to St. Joseph of Cupertino, the patron saint of students and those facing exams. Known as the "Flying Saint" for his miraculous levitations during prayer, St. Joseph's deep humility and trust in God remind us that true wisdom comes from faith, not intellect alone. Through his intercession, we prayed especially for students and learners to be filled with peace, confidence, and the guidance of the Holy

Saint Joseph of Cupertino, pray for us 🙏 🙏 🙏



#### First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

For the last few years, our parish community has been faithfully observing the First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Each month, we gather in prayer, reflection, and reparation as requested by Our Lady of Fatima. Through this devotion, we honour Mary's Immaculate Heart and seek her intercession to lead us closer to her Son, Jesus. May our continued devotion bring peace, grace, and renewal to our parish family.

Mother Mary, pray for us 🙏 🙏 🙏





#### Novena to The Archangels

In preparation for the Feast of the Holy Archangels -Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael — on 29 September, our parish community prayed a nine-day Novena together. Through these prayers, we sought their intercession for protection, guidance, and healing. The Novena reminded us of the Archangels' mission to serve God faithfully and to lead us closer to His love and light.

Saints Michael, Gariel, and Raphael pray for us





#### **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 / Youth 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
- Chosen Men Ministry
- YF / YFC Youth Fellowship / Youth for Christ
- CYS Catholic Youth Society
- YAPro Young Adult Professionals
- FAM Family Apostolic Ministry
- Ark Bible Club (ABC) for children age of 04 to 08 years
- 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....



## **CALL FOR GENEROUS GIVING**

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 wellbeing of our spiritual family. Your continued generous



contributions have been invaluable, helping our parish flourish and serve the needs of our community.

We sincerely thank you for your wholehearted support. To make giving even more convenient, you can use the QR code below to donate via Gopay, OVO, Dana, Shopee, T-money, or through a direct bank transfer to our account at <u>PGDP Internasional Santo Petrus Canisius</u>, <u>Bank Danamon</u>, <u>Account No. 664 177 7773</u>, Branch: 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, -.



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