



St. Peter Canisius

International Catholic Parish - Jakarta

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: God is rich in mercy

Beloved Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

"Those who approach the sacrament of Penance obtain pardon from God's mercy for the offense committed against him, and are, at the same time, reconciled with the Church which they have wounded by their sins and which by charity, by example, and by prayer labors for their conversion" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 1422). This sacrament is also called the sacrament of conversion, the sacrament of penance (CCC 1423), the sacrament of confession, the sacrament of forgiveness and the sacrament of reconciliation (CCC 1424).



Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church (2 Cor 5:18). This Sacrament is God's gift for the forgiveness of our sins. The Sacrament helps us acknowledge our human frailty and the greatness of God's mercy. *"God is rich in mercy"* (Eph 2:4). We are given an opportunity to approach God's mercy, to repent and restore our friendship with him. With absolution, we are reconciled to God and one another.

Not only does this Sacrament free us from our sins but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are forgiven to be forgivers. With St. Francis we pray: *"It is in pardoning that we are pardoned."*

Before the outbreak of pandemic Covid-19 I regularly sat in the confessional at St Theresia Church, Menteng, to hear confession every Sunday afternoon. It was encouraging to see people come to confess; one hour prior to the Eucharist did not seem suffice to accommodate the penitents. As I reflect on my priestly experience every time I hear confession not only I can exercise one aspect of my priesthood but the most important thing is to be the channel of God's mercy and forgiveness to those who come to ask for it.

This pandemic restricts the opportunity to have a direct personal confession. People, particularly the sick or their families, were asking questions on how to obtain forgiveness and absolution. The *"salus animarum"* (the salvation of souls) is the supreme law of the Church. This is why the Church always seeks, in every way, to offer the possibility of reconciliation with God to all who desire it and who seek it, or who become aware of their condition and feel the need of forgiveness. Pope Francis, in his homily during Mass in the chapel of Santa Marta on Friday, 20 March 2020, said: *"I know that many of you, for Easter, go to confession so you can be right with God again. But, many will say to me today: 'But, Father, where can I find a priest, a confessor when I can't leave my house? And I want to make peace with the Lord, I want Him to embrace me, I want my Daddy to embrace me..... What can I do if I can't find a priest? You do what the Catechism says. It is very clear: if you cannot find a priest to whom you can confess speak with God, He is your Father, and tell Him the truth: 'Lord, I have done this, this and this.... I am sorry', and ask Him for forgiveness with all your heart, with the Act of Contrition, and promise Him: 'Later I will go to confession but forgive me now'."*

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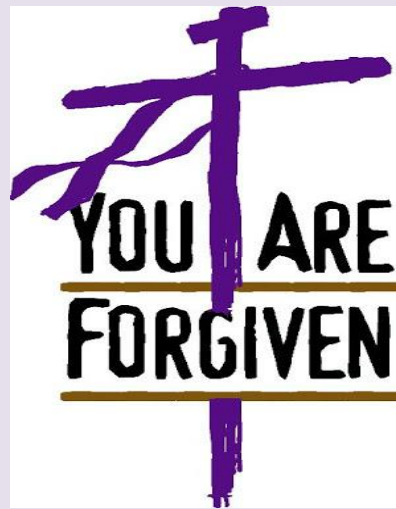
The essential elements of this sacrament are the acts of the penitent and the absolution of the priest. The penitent's acts consist of the examination of conscience and contrition. The Catechism of the Catholic Church no. 1451 explains: *"Among the penitent's acts contrition occupies first place. Contrition is sorrow of the soul and detestation for the sin committed, together with the resolution not to sin again."*

And no. 1452: *"When it arises from a love by which God is loved above all else, contrition is called 'perfect' (contrition of charity). Such contrition remits venial sins; it also obtains forgiveness of mortal sins if it includes the firm resolution to have recourse to sacramental confession as soon as possible."* Also, when permission is granted by the local Bishop in a certain condition it is possible to receive absolution by attending the rite of penance with general absolution.



Let God's mercy bring new joy and hope in our life. With Psalmist we say: *"Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered"* (Psalm 32:1). -----

Fr. John Mangkey, MSC



Reconciliation Service with General Absolution

**On Thursday, 31 Mar 2021 @
6:00pm
Led by Fr. John Mangkey, MSC**

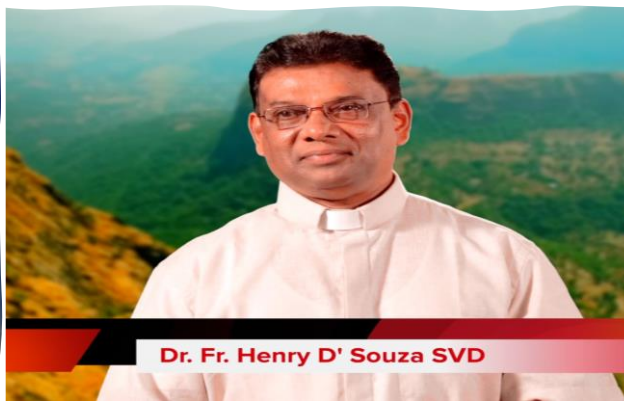
All of us are called to be reconciled with God. This is the primary purpose of our lives. Let us heed God's call for reconciliation by joining this Reconciliation Service. Given the current situation of the covid-19 outbreak, before the Christmas, a general absolution of sins will be given in this service. Upon receiving this absolution, however, all participants of this service still need to go to individual confession when the Situation allows

For Live Stream please click below:

<http://www.expatcatholicparish.org/> or
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfocrt2iDADjym-Yb2rhxg>



Lenten Retreat



TOPICS: MY RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD & ONE ANOTHER

This season of Lent invites us into a time of discovery and recovery. The real value and meaning of Lent is to be found in spiritual renewal and a fresh commitment to the will of God. Many charitable calls will be made on us during Lent, and it is right that we should be generous in our response to the needy causes both at home and abroad. Mercy shown to the poor and needy is mercy shown to Christ himself.

During this Lent, our major questions for our reflections are: What is God's will for us in this time of pandemic COVID-19? And what new things that God expected to emerge from us after the pandemic? To reflect on those questions, Our parish has initiated retreat for Lenten Season 2021. This Lenten Retreat is being done online for 05 weeks on every Saturday's starting from 20 Feb to 20 March 2021 and the first two sessions were conducted by Dr. Fr. Henry D'Souza SVD, Mumbai, India. During the first two sessions, Fr. Henry focused mainly on our relationship with God and with one another.

Our relationships with God, with this current pandemic God calls us to return to him as he clearly indicates that we human beings are never powerful and need to fall back to him.

Reflections from Day 1: Do you think, holding on to the baptismal identity is an answer to face the challenges of life? Do I live for God's pleasure? Does my life, marriage, family, worship & work bring pleasure to God? Can I set aside half an hour everyday to listen to the voice calling me beloved? Listen attentively and allow yourself to be embraced and loved by God and finally, ask yourself how this new understanding help you to relate to others, who are also God's beloved

In the second session, Fr. Henry preached about building relationship with one another and how we should invest on relationship. He also helped us know on seven caring habits (encouraging, trusting, accepting, listening, supporting, respecting and negotiating differences) by which we can really build a healthy relationship in our family, parish and society.

Reflection from Day 2: Practical tips for healthy relationships- Lens Principle, Mirror Principle, Hammer Principle, Elevator Principle, Exchange Principle. All these different principles helps us to understand others in a better way in our process of building relationships. Finally, while concluding, he stressed on listening before coming to conclusions as well as when dealing with conflicts never bring up the past.

Both the sessions have been recorded and uploaded in the parish website as well as Youtube.





RECOLLECTION FOR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS



TOPIC: Resilience & Expanding your Consciousness through practice of reflections

Date: 13 Feb 2021, Speakers: Fr. Moko SJ & Ms. Cecilia (Ces) Resurreccion - Professional Psychologist & Executive Director of Centre for Student Affairs – University of Asia and the Pacific Philippines

Online Recollection for the parish confirmation students was organized on 13 Feb 2021. Fr. Moko beautifully taught all the confirmation students on how to communicate with God through reflections. Ms. Ces gave various tips on how to build resilience especially during this pandemic. Sound bites from our students:

"The unexamined life is not worth living" - Socrates. We must examine our experiences, give meaning to them and LEARN - **Sebastian Kamdani**, Theresia CCD

"We had the experience but missed the meaning" - T.S. Elliot. Reflection is about examining your experiences more closely to give meaning and to learn from them. - **Allison Tee**, Pondok Indah Group CCD

During the recollection, I learned about the glory of our being and that God loves us and created us and that our imperfections should not be considered ugly, but that we should instead connect with them and love ourselves. Another topic we covered was resilience, we did a group activity together in breakout rooms about this subject. I learned that resilience helps us to get through challenges. Challenge helps us to grow and become better and that resilience helps us to become better people. We must be grateful for all that God has given us – **Catherine**, Theresia CCD

In the talk Fr Moko gave, I learned that we are individually loved by all our loved ones and by God, we should see our inner being and beauty. In making a reflection, I learned that we should really take time on what is our reflection based on and to apply the reflective practitioner competencies in our reflection. - **Cheska Mosquera**, Pondok Indah Group CCD

I would pray to God everyday, lend a helping hand, and do good deeds. "Build on your strengths", means you must work hard to increase even if already strong. - **Amanda Utomo**, North Jakarta CCD

We must live our lives with the gifts that God has given us to the best of our abilities – **Lauren**, Theresia CCD

"Reflective prayer is important to do every day to connect to God" – **Emelie**, Theresia CCD



I can prepare my confirmation better by focusing and removing all distracting objects in my room and avoid touching gadgets. This is like, when I may have lost my way or worry no one will love me or forgive me but in Isaiah 43:1 it says, "Do not fear for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name you are mine." That makes me feel more comfortable and makes me feel appreciated and loved - - **Jayden D**, North Jakarta CCD

FELLOWSHIP - CCD TEACHERS E-GATHERING

Our CCD teachers who have been supporting our kids in their faith journey by conducting CCD classes on a weekly basis, have spent lot of their time and energy. To appreciate their efforts, on 26 Feb 2021, food and fellowship e-gathering was organized on zoom. While they got to taste the sumptuous food sent by the parish, they also interacted with each other during this fellowship. Tips were given on how to support the kids in times of pandemic and on how to build the faith in our kids.

It was great to see all our dedicated team of CCD teachers together. We pray that they continue to give strength and formation to our young minds as we journey together in our Catholic Faith through this uncertain times of Covid-19.



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



LENTEN ONLINE ACTIVITIES



Mass
Schedule

MARCH - 2021

**LIVE
STREAMING**

CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR MAR 2021 -OFFLINE & ONLINE FROM ST. THERESIA

DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Mar 07, 2021	Sun	03rd Sunday of Lent	3:00 PM	Genesis Choir
Mar 14, 2021	Sun	04th Sunday of Lent	3:00 PM	Cadenza
Mar 21, 2021	Sun	05th Sunday of Lent	3:00 PM	Rorate Caeli
Mar 28, 2021	Sun	Palm Sunday	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal
Apr 01, 2021	Thu	Holy Thursday	3:00 PM	Genesis Choir
Apr 02, 2021	Fri	Good Friday	11:00 AM	The Choir Immortal
Apr 03, 2021	Sat	Easter Vigil	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal
Apr 04, 2021	Sun	Easter Sunday	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE

ONLINE/OFFLINE MASS & SERVICE

Palm Sunday – Sun, 28 Mar – 03:00 pm
 Reconciliation with General Absolution –
 Wed, 31 Mar – 06:00pm
 Holy Thursday – Thu, 1 Apr – 03:00pm
 Good Friday – Fri, 2 Apr – 11:00am
 Easter Vigil – Sat, 3 Apr – 03:00pm
 Easter Sunday – Sun, 4 Apr – 03:00pm

LENT AND HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE



JOIN US IN

COMMUNITY ONLINE PRAYER

STATIONS OF THE CROSS



EVERY **FRIDAY** IN THE MONTH OF
 FEBRUARY (19TH AND 26TH) &
 MARCH (5TH, 12TH, 19TH, 26TH)

ZOOM CODE: 814 2218 0298
 PASSCODE: THECROSS

STPCICP Lenten Reflections EVERY WEDNESDAY IN MARCH AT 8PM



ST. JOSEPH

March 19th

FEAST DAY



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WITH NO COLLECTION DURING ONLINE MASS

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY TO THE PARISH



TRANSFER YOUR GIFT TO:
PGDP INTERNASIONAL
SANTO PETRUS CANISIUS
ACCT 664 177 7773
BANK DANAMON - CABANG USMAN HARUN,
JAKARTA

OR YOU CAN SCAN OUR QR CODE PGDP INTERNATIONAL ST PETRUS CANISIUS VIA THIS DIGITAL PAYMENTS:



JOIN US IN

COMMUNITY ONLINE PRAYER

Novena to St Joseph

Every **Wednesday** from 27 Jan at 9pm

Zoom Code: 842 8992 7743

Password: bless2021

ANNUAL LENTEN RETREAT 2021

ONLINE

Date: **17 FEBRUARY TO 20 MARCH 2021**

Every Wednesday Reflection session at 8:00pm

Every Saturday Teaching at 1:00 – 2:30pm

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| 20 Feb | 1. My Relationship with God |
| 27 Feb | 2. My Relationship with One another |
| 2 sessions with <u>Dr. Fr. Henry D' Souza, SVD</u>
from St. Theresa's Church, Mumbai, INDIA | |
| 6 March | 3. My Relationship with Nature |
| | with <u>Fr. Bayu Risanto, SJ</u> |
| 13 March | 4. Lives in the Digital Age |
| | with <u>Fr. Provincial Benny Juliawan, SJ</u> |
| 20 March | 5. God's will during the pandemic |
| | with <u>Fr. Bambang Triatmoko, SJ</u> |

For further inquiries please contact:

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"It's recommended to join all 5 retreats"



Online Youth Fellowship Activities

YF ACTION

Date: Sat 27 Mar 2021

Time: 0100 - 0230 pm

Topic: "Life Is Messy"

Speaker: Bro Sandy Onie

For Age 13-18 Years

RSVP for Zoom code & password : Alfa: 081-29413-8899;

Patricia: 0816-802-903, Charina : 0818-0616-2502



Youths and Young Adults, if you feel you do not have an answer for your questions, we are here to help you and guide you

Please feel free to ask your questions/doubts by sending an email to

connected@expatcatholicparish.org

