

St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish Jakarta

Monthly Bulletin – Feb 2022

Catholic Parenting: How to Help Your Kid Becoming Mature in Faith

Beloved Sisters and Brothers,

Many times, I encountered desperate parents asking for help with a kid who had stopped going to church.

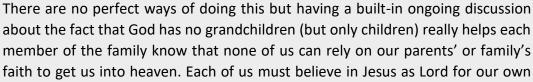
The heartbreak of a kid who walks away from the Catholic Church is truly devastating to a parent who believes.

The biggest regret of all those Catholic parents (especially the elderly ones who have had a kid leave the Church and they fear for their salvation), is this - that they didn't do enough to evangelize and make disciples of Jesus out of their kids. So, what can you do to keep your kids from leaving the Church?

1. Encourage them to pray in a personal way

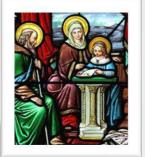
Prayer is the first foundational part of faith. There are lots of Catholic parents

who pray with their kids, teach them prayers, pray as a family, and model having a personal prayer life themselves (which is absolutely indispensable). But still one thing missing in most families - the expectation that every member of the family has a daily time of personal prayer. Though the years families should emphasize this duty in many ways. When the kids are small it was on a list of things to do every day alongside chores, exercise, homework, etc. When older, we encourage them by asking "have you talked to Jesus today?" or something similar.





salvation. That isn't optional once we reach an age where we can make decisions freely.



2. You Can't (and shouldn't) Force Faith but You Can Create an Environment Where Faith Can Grow

Every kid grows up. The question is, how are you going to direct their growth. How can you help your child move into a person who makes wise decisions

without your guidance? How do you make a Catholic kid into a Catholic adult? One thing you need to do is to give them as many opportunities to have conversion experiences as you can.

3. Allow Room for Kids to Wrestle with Truth and Struggle to Believe

Your kids are going to struggle with certain aspects of following Jesus and His Church. It just happens. So, allow your kids the room to ask tough questions and ask them tough questions yourself. While you want to allow them room to wrestle, you also want to give them something solid to anchor themselves to. This is what the truths of Jesus and the Catholic Church provide us. But these truths must be consented



to. This is the process of making the truths of the faith personal. It doesn't happen all at once. So, balance teaching with room for struggle, all the while challenging your kids to not settle for the easy or convenient answer.

One thing we know is happening - young Christians aren't responding to the harmful parts of culture and analysing them. Rather, they absorb them, accept them as valuable, and then have their faith tell them something different. The Church, in response, is reactive. We aren't forming kids into disciples of Christ first, and then releasing them into the culture. Rather, we allow the culture to form them first. This means the culture has the upper hand in guiding them and teaching them where happiness is found.



Someone and something are going to be formative in your child's life. If you don't do it, then others will. That comes to sexuality, relationships, faith, etc. Many parents leave the formation of young people, in faith issues, to the churches and religious schools. Too often parents do not model or teach the faith in the home. So, be involved as a parent and guide by teaching, talking, etc. Be proactive in forming your kids' hearts, minds, consciences, and souls.

Fr. B.B. Triatmoko, SJ



ONLINE MASS SCEHDULE



Due to the rapid increasing number of viral transmission of Omicron variant, we have cancelled all Saturdays & Sundays PHYSICAL/OFFLINE Masses until the end of February or when situation improves. Please continue to join our Sunday 3pm ONLINE Mass.

We will follow the guideline from KAJ regarding this matter. Let us pray continuously for the end of the pandemic.

CHOIR SCHEDULE FOR FEB 2022 ONLINE FROM ST. THERESIA				
DATE	DAY	MASS	TIME	CHOIR
Feb 06,	Sun	05th Sunday of Ordinary Times	3:00 PM	Genesis Choir
Feb 13,	Sun	06th Sunday of Ordinary Times	3:00 PM	Cadenza Choir
Feb 20,	Sun	07th Sunday of Ordinary Times	3:00 PM	Rorate Caeli Choir
Feb 27,	Sun	08th Sunday of Ordinary Times	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal



Youth Fellowship Activities



Topic: "Reaching Out - A New Year

Resolution"

Speaker: Josua Torre Duque

Date: Saturday, 29 Jan 2022

Time: 01:00 - 02:30 pm

Reflection by Dallyn Goveas - YF

Josh Torre delivered an excellent YF talk on the topic of "Reaching Out – A New Year Resolution". He told us how we should cherish our relationships, how vital they are, and how much happier we are when we are in a relationship. He discussed on how our current digital age influences our relationships and how it affects them. He explains how social media may damage our self-esteem, how we feel pressured to attain a specific number of likes, and how we might get envious of other people. Josh then discussed on how we may believe we are good friends with someone because we communicate frequently online, but we really don't know much about that person; relationships take time. He then tells us about his own personal experience, in which he went out with a friend who was more concerned with talking to his girlfriend on his phone than with the person in front of him. He then tells us five things we can

do to maintain a meaningful connection:

- I. Serve God through your family,
- II. Be a friend,
- III. Use your creativity: it comes from God
- IV. Simple acts of service &
- V. Being honest



Josh then reminds us how we should commit to one another and be honest with one another because a relationship cannot be formed without honesty and trust. The session is then concluded with discussion questions in separate breakout rooms. It was a fantastic YF talk.



17th Virtual Faith Forum

Topic: "Missionary, The Journey"

Speaker: Fr. Francis Teo, MCSPA

Date: 22 Jan, 2022,

Time: 01:00 - 02:30 pm



Listening to Fr. Francis unravel his life journey from his youth to his present life is mind-blowing for me personally. Why? Because he has taken such major decisions in his life which has led him to his religious life which he never imagined let alone live out. His youth was full of dreams and inspirational where he tried to live it to the full, yet like every other person, he went through turmoil and emptiness in life. But he didn't give up, he travelled the world, trying to find answers of what would make his life whole and beneficial.



As he went further away from his studies, he became more and more attached to Africa, though not knowing what that country offers. He fell madly in love with Africa and decided to leave his university days to pursue a dream that was still so blurry. All he knew, he wanted to go to Africa, help out and make a change in others' lives. The Lord guided him in all his path which finally led

Fr. Francis to the priesthood, an even bigger path to helping others.

Perhaps we wonder, how can we be a missionary in our own busy world?

- 1. Pray for missionaries, they need our spiritual support.
- 2. Facilitate missionaries when they come by to the parish, listen as they share their missionary experience.
- 3. If possible, take time off to see the missionary work and have an experience.
- 4. Help the marginalized groups: widows, orphans, disabled and strangers

All these will make us stay united as one Catholic Church.





There have been many difficult and trying moments in Fr. Francis' life especially in his days in Africa, yet he never once regretted his decision. He has always pushed on and not take life for granted.

"We'll never imagine the amount of good that can be achieved, when there is good will and hard work, when each of us brings our five loaves and two fish" – Fr. Francis Teo, MCSPA

By Sis Melissa Abineno

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 to reach out monthly to the needy around us. We thank the Isman family for their kind act in sharing their joy and love at the end of the year by

donating rice to the needy in and around Jakarta.



It is in giving to those in need that we receive beautiful blessings, especially by seeing the cheerful smiles on their faces. Much of this was made possible by the donations of all the altar servers, who donated to make that day special for everyone who received.

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"





JOY OF GIVING – LIGHT UP THE CHRISTMAS

"It's not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving" – Mother Teresa of Calcutta

"Christmas is the spirit of giving without a thought of getting". STPCICP celebrated 2021 Christmas in a unique way. As many of our children were not able to come to the Church, we facilitated the children to participate in the Christmas Charity – "Joy of Giving" by allowing them to give special gifts to Jesus by sending their joy offering to the parish office.

The gifts received from the Joy of Giving donation was donated to three of the needy organizations, *Jesuits Refugee Service, Rumah Prolife Matraman & Lembaga Daya Dharma – KAJ.* Our gifts were wholeheartedly received by these three needy organizations. The smiles, satisfaction and gratitude what we saw on their faces is a real blessing for our parishioners who donated in whatever possible ways.

On behalf of the parish council, we want to express our gratitude to all donors who have been generously participated in our parish Christmas charity "Joy of Giving"















Family Apostolic Ministry (FAM)



STPCICP Family Apostolic Ministry in cooperation with Family is a Gift <u>presents a Talk on Parenting the Digital Generation.</u> This Talk aims to address gaps between parents and their children's generation.

Our speaker, Ms. Pauline Fermin is a professional subject matter expert on the psyche, needs, and social media habits of Gen Y and Gen Z.





STPCICP PRAYER MINISTRY



Do you need prayer support from the community, here we are for you?

STPCICP Prayer Ministry is here to pray WITH you.

Send us your prayer request using this e-form:

"https://Bit.ly/stpcicpprayers"



At least one person from our prayer ministry team will pray for your intention.

Or you may send



to: +628118093728 and make sure you are using the following format

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Name:

Location/ Parish:

Type of prayer (please select one of the following)

Healing

■ Work-related

School-related

Family

☐ General

Repose of soul

Thanksgiving



Prayer Intentions:

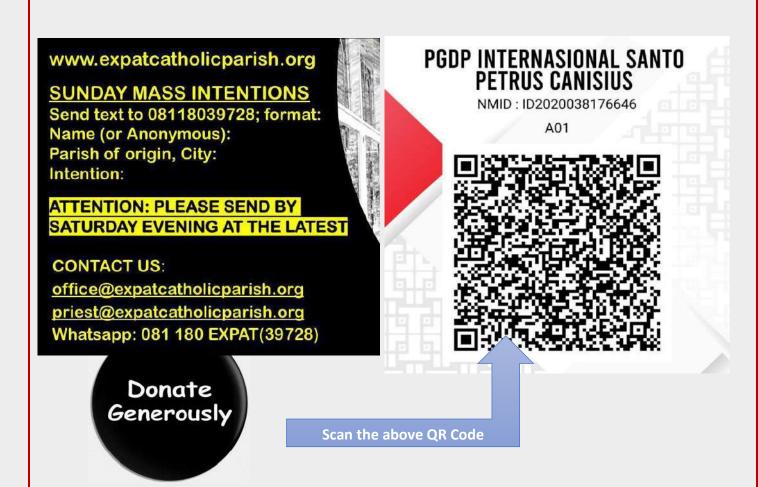
Other relationships

Feel free to share this good news to anyone who need prayer. Thank you 🙏

YOUR KIND CONTRIBUTION MATTERS

Pandemic has continued to affect all our Churches for the physical masses. Even though Churches have opened for the physical masses, but the number of participants has been restricted and this has resulted into limited collections. We urge the parishioners to support our parish generously. You can use the QR code below to pay through Gopay, OVO, Dana, Shopee, T-money or direct transfer to the bank account <u>PGDP Internasional Santo Petrus Canisius, Acct No. 664 177 7773, Bank Danamon</u> – Cabang Usman Harun, Jakarta

Here 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



We are here to respond all your need of information

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COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN JAN 2022



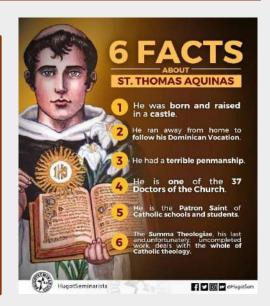
Renewing Marriage Vows

As a tradition of our Parish, on 01 Jan of every year, we renew the marriage vows for all the married couples. All these years it was done during the Holy Mass celebrated on 01 Jan, but this year we did this online and offline during the Holy Mass. Many of our young and old married couples joined offline or online in renewing their marriage vows and to seek God's providence to continue to live with God's love and blessing on their married life

Novena to Thomas Aquinas (Jan 20 to Jan 28)

St. Thomas Aquinas rightly said, "Three things are necessary for the salvation of man: to know what he ought to believe; to know what he ought to desire; and to know what he ought to do". Who is Saint Thomas Aquinas? a Dominican friar, Catholic priest, philosopher, doctor of the church & patron saint of academics, students & catholic school etc. To learn, reflect and pray to St. Thomas, we prayed 09 days novena as one parish community. To learn and know more about him, you can visit here:

https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Thomas-Aquinas





Surrender Novena (Jan 03 to Jan 11)

There is no novena more effective than this: "O Jesus, I surrender myself to You, take care of everything!" Produced by the Abbot's Circle and the Norbertine Fathers of St. Michael's Abbey, this novena reminds us of our need to trust in the love and grace of our Lord. We gave ourselves to our Lord and dedicated this 09 days novena to all those who are needy and to end the pandemic.

Blessing of the House with Holy Water and Salt

House blessing by Holy Water and Salt is a yearly practice in our Parish and this is done during the new year time. This was distributed during the month of Jan and all parishioners were urged to bless their house and surroundings. If you have not collected the Holy water, salt and chalk, please contact the Parish office













