Monthly Bulletin
November 2019



## St. Peter Canisius International Catholic Parish - Jakarta

## The Escathological Church, A Pilgrim Church

Beloved Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

**Eschatology** comes from the Greek *eskhatos*, meaning "last," which makes sense given that this branch of theology is preoccupied with the study of the last part of life or death. More specifically, eschatology involves four elements or "last" things: death, judgment, heaven and hell. It's an examination of the ultimate destiny of mankind.

The Second Vatican Council highlights the eschatological importance of the Church. It teaches that the church is not an end in itself, but that it exists always and only for the sake of the Reign, or Kingdom, of God. In other words, the Church is an *eschatological* community.

The church is "already" and "not yet" within the Reign of God. Insofar as it is "already" within God's Reign, it is itself a mystery, or sacrament, and an object of faith ("I believe in the Church."). Insofar as it is "not yet" within the Reign of God, it is a sinful church on pilgrimage through history, holy but always in need of penance, renewal, and reform.

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GEREJA SANTA THERESIA, MENTENG – English Mass - Saturday's : 03:30pm, and on Sunday's : 03:00pm & 01st Friday : 07:30pm ST. CANISIUS COLLEGE (Kolese Kanisius) – Sunday's – 06:00 pm ST. STEPHANUS – CILANDAK – Tuesday's 10:00 am & 01st Friday – 10:00 am

The Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World (Gaudium et spes) expressed it succinctly: "The Church has but one sole purpose—that the Kingdom of God may come and the salvation of the human race may be accomplished" (n. 45).

The church is "the universal sacrament of salvation," existing in "the final age of the world," whose renewal is "irrevocably under way." The church is already enlivened by the Holy Spirit and in communion with the Lord, but it still belongs to the present age and "carries the mark of this world which will pass" (n. 48).

On the other hand, some of the church's members have already died and are enjoying the fullness of eternal glory in heaven. These constitute the church triumphant in the communion of saints. They become for the church on earth exemplars and models of Christian discipleship and sanctity and as such are signs of the Kingdom and a "cloud of witnesses" to it (n. 50).

Pope Francis spoke of the beauty of the communion that exists between the heavenly and earthly Church, saying that the Church in heaven sustains and guides us through her intercession. The Kingdom of God, the pontiff explained, "is already inside of us, (but) we go forward journeying with God; Jesus and the Holy Spirit, who are the fullness (of the Kingdom)."

The Church used to see herself as a city on a hill which looks down on her people, but a people painfully journeying through this life of ours, described often as this "valley of tears". Vatican II now asks us the see ourselves as a pilgrim people journeying toward God, sharing our joys and sorrows, our successes and disappointments. Therefore our journey as Church binds us together and gives us company along the way.

As members of the pilgrim Church on earth, part of our mission entails praying for the souls in purgatory who are waiting to enter into eternal happiness.

## Join the Parish Census

**STPCICP** has launched it's official simple census to understand the demography of the parish members



This is to know more about our parish members, in terms of Nationality & origin Continent. Two boxes separate for males and female members have been placed outside the Church before and after the Mass. Select one card of your nationality or continent and put in the box provided as per your age bracket. For your easy understanding, volunteers will be standing to assist you. You need to do this only once and should be done individually for the entire family. The boxes will be placed for the entire month of November. We thank you for your participation



Tickets: Rp150,000 each (free seating). Available for sale after Mass from 16 Nov on. For more details please contact Parish Office WA: 0811 8039728 (Parish office hours) Or your local CCD Coordinators.

## Mass Schedule for Nov 2019

DATE	DAY	MASS	LOCATION	TIME	CHOIR
Nov 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30	Sat	All Saturday Masses	St. Theresia	3:30 PM	Eucharistic Sounds
Nov 3	Sun	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Theresia	3:00 PM	Voices of Praise
Nov 10	Sun	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Theresia	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal
Nov 17	Sun	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	St. Theresia	3:00 PM	Cadenza
Nov 24	Sun	Solemnity of Christ the King	St. Theresia	3:00 PM	The Choir Immortal
Nov 3, 17 & 24	Sun	All Sunday Masses	Canisius Chapel	6:00 PM	Genesis Choir
Nov 10	Sun	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Canisius Chapel	6:00 PM	Praise God Choir



Bible Study @PERMATA HIJAU on Friday 15 Nov 2019 from 0630 – 0800 pm by Sis. Irene Sutanto - topic: Christ the King

Action & Leadership @ ST. THERSIA CHURCH on Saturday, 23 Nov 2019, Ruang Seksi 3F from 1230 – 0300pm by Fr. Joel Sumooc OAD on "Encounter to Remember"

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This month we celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ , King of the Universe