

A fresh and living encounter with Jesus can totally change our lives.

Amen.

An encounter with Christ can totally change your life.

It begins with the change of perspective of life.

Magiging iba yung pananaw natin sa buhay if we have encountered Christ in our life.

If our perspective of life changes, then life itself for us will change and the circumstances in your life will also change.

Magbabago din yung mga sirkomstansiya mo sa buhay pag nagbago ang buhay natin.

Today, we are going to encounter the risen Christ, the Word of God incarnate through the Holy Scriptures in our Sunday readings today.

If we put our heart, our mind on the things that we'll hear today from the Scriptures, then we will have an encounter with Jesus.

Amen.

Minsan, nakikinig tayo sa salitan ng Diyos.

Iniiisip natin, wala namang pagbabago.

Sanay naman tayo makinig sa mga readings.

But every time we listen and put our heart, our attention to the Word of God, something happens inside us.

May nangyayari po.

It's so deep inside us that we will not even sense it.

We will not even feel it na may nangyayari sa atin.

But the moment you get out of this church, you get out of the building, when you go home, and then you encounter a problem in your life, that Word which you have received unknowingly, that Word will bring a new perspective in your life.

Iiba yung paningin mo sa mga problema mo.

Iiba yung paningin mo sa mga tao sa palibot mo.

And eventually, it changes everything in your life.

May tao nga na sinasabi niya,

Father, wala akong kaibigan.

I have no friend.

My life is so lonely, wala akong kaibigan.

And I introduced him to Christ.

I shared Christ with him through the Scriptures.

Until finally, he received the Lord in his life.

And this is what he said,

I don't care if I don't have friends anymore, as long as Jesus is my true friend.

And because of that, nagbago ang buhay niya.

He started to find joy in his life, knowing that he is loved by Christ.

Nung nagbabago na yung pananaw niya sa buhay niya, nagkaroon din siya ng maraming kaibigan.

All it needs to take is a change of heart, then your circumstances will change also.

Amen.

Today, as we encounter Christ in the Scriptures, we are going to talk about a very important subject

that all of us should really try to understand and pray hard.

I prayed hard that I will be able to say what God would like to impart to you today.

But you must also pray that you will have an understanding.

Because I'm going to talk about the family this morning.

Ang pamilyang pag-uusapan natin.

Before any institution was established on earth,

the first institution that God created was the institution of the family.

Amen.

At bakit pamilyang inuna ni Lord?

Why the family was created first?

Even before the church was created, the family was created by God.

Because the family is the building block of our society.

Our society, our communities, it is built by families.

That's why it's important to God.

God gave the families the principle it needs,

that it will continue to grow, it will continue to be fruitful.
Nung sinabi ng Diyos kay Adam, sabi niya kay Adam,
you know, I made all this creation for you.
Then God said, but it's not good for you to be alone.
Marami mga tips.

And people really try hard to make their family perfect.
Bago tayo magpatuloy sa pag-uusap tungkol sa pamilya,
this is something that I would like to make clear to everyone.
There is no perfect family.

Amen.
So sometimes we criticize other families because of their imperfections,
but realize your family is not also perfect.
Walang pamilya na perfecto.

Amen.
Maliban nalang kung apelyedo nila perfecto.
There is no perfect family.

Why?
Because there is no perfect person.
Kaya yung mga bata, pag nagrereklamo sa akin,
Tatay ko, ang nanay ko, ganito, ganito,
they're not so perfect.

Then I tell them, why are the parents not so perfect?
Why is your father not perfect?
Why is your mother not perfect?
Because they have children who are not perfect.

Amen?
Amen.
So there is no such thing as a perfect family,
and we need to understand that.
But it is our struggle as a family
to stay together, to stay united,
kahit hindi tayo perfect.
Every family will fight hard to stay together.
They will fight hard to preserve the unity of the family.
That itself, that itself is important.
That's more important than perfection.

You know?
Mas importante pa yan sa perfection.
Yung pamilya na nag-sasama,
and they struggle together,
they fight together,
to keep the unity of the family,
to bring the family together.
And this is something we need to understand.
Now, today, when we talk of the family,
we could not help but talk about marriage.
Because pag pamilyang pinag-uusapan natin,
hindi natin pwede ilayo yan.
We cannot remove that from the context of marriage.
That is where families are forged.
It is forged in marriages.

Ano ibig sabihin yan?
Pag ang Diyos ay bumubuo ng pamilya,
it always begins with a covenant.
Okay?
Families are established in covenants.
That's why families should understand
that our relationship with each other
is not based on our feelings for each other.
Our relationship within the family
is a relationship of covenant.

I wish I could give you tips
on what a good marriage is.
Yan ang palagi naririnig natin sa kasal,

di ba, pag may resepsyon,
magbibigay yung mga ninong at ninang
ng kanilang mga advice.

Okay?

Anong mga advice naririnig nyo?

Ang daming advice.

Sa sobrang dami,

hindi natatandaan ang kopol.

Sa umaga, sino una magigising?

Yung asawa?

Yung babae?

O yung lalaki?

Sabi ng mga matatanda,

dapat yung babae,

mauna kang magising

sa husband mo.

Bakit?

Sabi niya,

ayusin mo na kaagad yung mukha mo

tsaka sarili mo.

Paggising ng asawa mo,

maganda ka.

Magandang tip, di ba?

Di ba?

Maganda rin.

Mga kadamidaming tip yan.

In marriages, sabi niya,

the way to a man's heart is through?

Is tama.

Kaya yung mga babae talaga,

nagko-cooking lesson,

nag-aaral talaga.

You know?

We have so many

advices and tips

on marriages,

how to make the marriage work.

But more than tips and advices,

I would like us to have

a deep understanding

of what a family is.

Yun munang importante.

Nauunawaan mo ba?

Naiintindihan mo ba?

Kung ano talaga ang pamilya?

We need to understand.

We need to understand

what a family is

in God's perspective.

Because the family is not man's idea,
it was God's idea.

That's why importante

makuha natin yung perspective.

We need to have a vision

Every Christian should have

a vision

of what a family is.

Yan ang importante.

Naiintindihan natin.

In our gospel today,

Jesus was confronted.

Tinanong siya ng mga

disciples niya.

Sabi nila,

Is it lawful for a man
to divorce his wife?
Meron ang mali
sa question na yan.
Can anyone tell me
what's wrong with that question?
Sang ayon ba
sa baas
na yung isang lalaki
wala yan niya
ang asawan niya?
Yan ang kailangan nila kay Jesus.
Why? Because
from the very big
testament,
it was accepted
that a man
any reason
can divorce his wife
anytime.
Natakot na yan.
Kita mo na yan sa Old Testament.
Pag tunog yung kinain
ng lalaki,
pwede niya nang divorce
yung asawan niya.
Amen?
You know they can.
That's why even the Pharisees
hold to that law.
That's why tinanong nila
si Jesus.
Ikaw,
ano ang opinion mo dito?
Can a man
divorce his wife?
But there is a problem
with that question.
What is the problem
with that question?
Yung makasagot niyan,
bibigyan ko ng jacket.
What is the problem
with that question?
Can a man
divorce his wife?
Mali na question.
There is something wrong
with that question.
Sige.
Ikay ko na lang yung jacket
ko sa sarili ko.
Ayaw niyong sumagot eh.
The problem with that question
is this.
Bakit lalaki lang?
Bakit yung lalaki lang?
A man is permitted
in the law
to divorce his wife.
But never
the wife
to divorce
husband.

Dito kaagad
yung concept ng marriage.
Damang
ang lalaki.
Amen?
It's always the man
who is
number one.
And women are considered
secondary
in the relationship.
That is why
when it came to Jesus,
Jesus
elevated the position
of women.
The woman
nakita niyo,
hindi bawal sa isang babae
kausapin yung lalaki
na mag-isa.
Eh what did Jesus do?
Jesus talked to her.
Pwede.
Amen?
The widow in Nain,
widow na siya,
namatay yung anak niya,
the only person
who can support that widow
is the son.
Supposedly,
hayaan na lang yan.
Ganyan yung natural na bagay lang yan.
But Jesus came to that widow
and raised up his son
to help her.
Have you noticed that?
Because up to that time,
everyone thinks
that women
are inferior
and they are secondary.
Pag yan ang pag-iisip natin,
mga kapatid,
problema na kagad yan sa pamilya.
Because the first thing we have to realize,
man and woman,
they are created
equal.
Kaya nung tinanong nila
si Jesus,
divorce his wife,
Jesus already knew
of their understanding
of what marriage is.
Baluktot na kagad yung pagkakaunaan
sa isang
marriage.
Okay?
Then,
the Pharisees talked to Jesus,
nila yung law.
Moses

allowed,
allowed for a man to divorce his wife.
Pwede naman kay Moses ha.
Ikaw, anong masasabi mo?
Itong sagot
ni Jesus sa kanila,
Moses
permitted you to
divorce your wife.
Hindi niya inutos yan.
It is never God's
command for a man
to divorce his wife. Hindi talaga
inutos yan.
God will never
command you to divorce your
wife.
But God permitted it.
For what reason?
Why did God permit?
Because,
sabi ng Diyos, your heart,
your heart
is hard.
Matitigas ang puso nyo.
That's the
problem.
God did not command
to divorce his wife.
In Moses' time, He allowed it
because of men's heart
who are, who is so hard.
Matigas.
Mag-ingat sa matigas
na puso. Kasi yung matigas
na puso, marupok din yan.
Amen?
And Jesus quoted
our first reading today in Genesis.
Sabi niya, in the beginning, it was
not like that. From the very
beginning, it was never
like that.
For in the beginning, God made them.
God
brought the man to the woman,
the woman to the man.
They may be joined
together, sabi ng Diyos.
Christ said to them,
from the beginning, it was not like that.
That people can just divorce each other
because from the beginning, the plan of
God for man and woman
to stay together
in that bond of love.
Paragi ng tanong ngayon,
meron bang forever?
Parang
tatanong ngayon.
Ngayon, uso na yung kasal
na yun na ano, may sinasabi
sila na, let's stay married for
10 years. May kontrata yan.

After 10 years,
pwede tayong maghiwalay.
Pero kung maganda naman yung
plan natin, sige.
There are marriages
today that there are agreements
na sige, let's just get married
for 3 years
and after 3 years, let's separate
so that we will have room
to grow.
Sarap pakinggan, ano?
Because matigas ang puso
ng tao.
But from the very beginning,
God said,
it's man and woman coming together.
And this is what God said.
For this reason, a man
will leave
his family and
cling and cleave
to his wife. The same way also
a woman would leave
her family behind and
cleave to her husband. Silang dalawa.
To cleave
means to cling to each other.
Ngayon, ayaw na natin yung word
na cling na yan, diba?
You talk to the young people now, they don't
want the word cling.
Napaka-clingy niya.
Hindi siya clingy.
But from the beginning, that's
what God already
ordained for man and woman
to cleave with each other.
To cleave to each other.
Making their
relationship a priority
in life.
Okay?
But the first thing that is
not good to be alone,
yan ang unang sinabi ng Diyos.
That's why
an understanding and a view of marriage
is this. Marriage
is always
God's idea,
not man's idea.
Naghanap ba si Adam
ng asawa?
Lumuhod ba si Adam sa Diyos? Sabi niya,
Lord, hindi ako happy.
Bigyan mo ako ng partner.
Adam didn't look
for a partner. He did not look
for a wife. It was
God.
It was God
who understands
that it is not good for a man

to be alone.

Amen?

That's why he said, I'm going to make
him a suitable
helper.

The first
principle we have to
understand about marriage, it is always
God's idea.

And every one of us
is designed
for relationship.
Because it's never
good for us to be alone.

We are never
expected
to be
alone. We are always
created by God
for the other.

Kasi

sinasabi ko, you cannot live up
your Christian life by
isolating yourself.

Hindi na ako magsisimba, Father.

Meron naman akong

Bible. Sa bahay lang ako magpipray.

Kasi sa simbahan,

magtago ka

na lang dun sa bahay mo. And just
live alone. That is not Christianity.

Because

from the beginning, God himself already
established

it is not good for you to be alone.

Amen?

Amen.

We can never grow in our Christian life
if we continue to live
with that mindset,
I am going to be alone.

No.

Kaya nga, may simbahan tayo.

We have a church,

we have a community, because we have

to learn to live together,

live out our Christian life,

not for yourself, but

for each other.

Do you understand

what I'm saying?

God did not create us

to become

individuals.

Yeah, we have our individual

rights, we have our individual

preferences, I respect

that, but that is not

who we are. God created

us for each other.

That we

relate to one another.

We grow together as a community.

He sets the solitary

into families.

Amen?

Diyan palang dapat natin
maintindihan yan.

Marriage is God's idea.

Why? Because

he designed man to
live as a family,
not to live alone,
not to be isolated,
but to live together.

Yan ang disenyo ng Diyos sa atin.

Amen?

Now the second thing we have
to understand.

In this relationship between man
and woman, when God created
the woman,
God took him out
of the rib of a man.

Amen?

Sabi nga ng isang pare, hindi siya kinuha
dun sa paa.

Para apak-apakan
siya ng asawa niya. No.

Woman was

not taken from the head of the man
so that she will rule over
the man. No. She was taken
the side of the man
so that side by
side, they will live
out their family life
together. Side by side.

To live

side by side means that
every man should
always, always
see his wife
as his equal.

Amen?

Woman should also see
her husband as
her equal.

Equal kayo.

We're all equal

in the sight of God. This is
thing about marriage because
sometimes people don't get
it. Pagpasok nila

sa isang relasyon, may mga lalaki
kaagad, nang isip talaga nila,
lamang sila sa asawa nila.

They are ahead, on top,
and number one compared
to their wives. That is not the case.
In marriage, God designed marriage
for man and woman to be
side by side, equal.

Yun lang, ang babae
kasi may mga trabaho yung babae.

Sometimes women
have work

in the home, na akala natin dahil yan

ang ginagawa niya, mas mababa siya.

No!

Minsan at home, yung naguhugas ng pinggan, yung nanay.

Tagalinis ng bahay, yung nanay.

Maligo sa mga bata, yung nanay.

Yung nanay talaga mas mababa.

Hindi po. Yun lang ang

trabaho niya. But

the work, the chores that a

mother does, does not make

her inferior

to the husband.

They're always equal.

There are several times in the

Bible na

ginamit yung word na

helper.

When God created

the woman, he took her by the

side of the man and sabi niya,

she will be your helper.

Ngayon,

yung pagkaintindi natin, pagkatulong

ka,

ang baba ng tingin natin, pagkatulong.

But in the Bible, when God

talks about a helper,

someone who would

help you, someone who would assist

you, someone

who will be there

to help you in your responsibilities.

Pag sinabi ng

Diyos, helper,

you know, hindi ibig sabihin

na mas mababa yan sa'yo.

It is not good for a man to be alone

and so God decided, I'm going to

make her a suitable

helper for him.

Do you know

that the word helper

in Hebrew is used

many times, several

times, ginamit yung word na yan na

helper sa Bible.

But it always refer to God.

God is

your helper.

Many times,

nakalimutan ko na, Saint Cyril,

ilang times yun?

I think it

was seven times.

Seven times, ginamit yung word na yan

na helper sa Bible, and it all

refers to God. Pag sinabi ng helper,

Diyos yan.

The word helper in Hebrew

refers to God, but there is

only one time,

one time lang, na ginamit

yung word na yan, helper, it is used

in Genesis. Your wife
is your helper.
So nakita nyo,
ang word na yan,
helper, ginamit sa asawa,
yan din yung word na ginagamit
sa Diyos as
your wife. No,
she's not inferior.
So when you talk of marriage,
you're talking about
God's idea.
You're talking
about God who is
calling two
individuals who are
equal. No one is
superior.
Both are
equal in the sight of God.
Maari siguro yung husband mo
hindi nakapagtapos ng college.
Maybe your wife, hindi nakapag-aral.
But in that family,
the wife
and the husband,
they're always equal
in the sight of
God. Amen.
The second thing,
in marriage,
it is God
who calls
for people
in marriage.
It is a calling,
it is a vocation
from God.
Marriage is a vocation.
Kaya sinasabi sa
Bible, what God has joined
together, let no man
separate that.
Because it is a vocation.
If you are married,
you are called,
your wife is called
to be with you
and you are to be together.
It is God who calls
all to marriage.
Amen.
Alam mo, Father,
noong nag-asawa ko,
hindi ako nagdasal
sa Diyos.
Noong nakita ko yung asawa ko,
talagang napakaganda
ng asawa ko.
At linigawan ko siya.
Noong niligawan ko siya,
Father, noong sinagot ako,
ay hindi ko napinatagal.
Pinanyaya ko na kagad

magpakasal. Kaya, Father,
talagang ako yun, akong pumili
sa asawa ko.
Sa palagay mo lang yan.
Sometimes we think, dahil tayong
namili,
tayo yung
nangligaw,
akala natin atin yan.
Hindi po.
It is always God.
Maring ikaw yung nangligaw.
Maring type na type mo yung asawa mo.
Crush na crush mo.
Sir Lucy, di ba?
Guwapo kasi, di ba?
Maring crush mo siya.
Maring nagustuhan mo siya.
Na-attract ka sa kanya.
Niligawan ka. Sumagot ka kaagad.
But you know what?
It was God
all along who called you
together.
Ang huwag kalimutang
mag-asawa. Huwag yung sabihin
na walang pakialamang
Diyos dito. Ako ta nagpili.
Karon, bukon.
Amen.
What God has joined
together, let no man separate.
Bakit?
Bakit hindi pwedeng ipaghiwalay
kung ano yung
pinagdugtong
ng Diyos. God has joined together,
let no man separate.
Because that is a call from God.
And it holds true
the other way.
What God has not joined,
please, please,
huwag niyong pilitin
na talagang ipagsama niyo.
Huwag itinawag ng Diyos.
It holds true also.
What God has not joined,
we should
separate that.
Amen?
Amen?
May mga lalaki minsan
nagka-counseling
sa akin. Sabi niya,
asawa ko, Father, pero may
namit kasi ako na nagpatibok
talaga ng puso ko.
Alam mo, Father, hindi ko
magsa-asawa ko.
Namit ko na babae ngayon talagang,
Father, Father,
lumiwanag ang buhay ko.
Anong advice mo sa akin?

Itong advice ko,
tigilan mo na.
Hindi yan
kailangan ng Diyos sa'yo.
Amen?
And what God has not called and joined together,
please, separate it.
You have your wife.
Your husband
is the person that God
has called you to be joined together.
Amen?
Okay.
Itong kagandahan yan,
the beauty of that truth
is this.
Yung pagmamahal mo
sa asawa mo,
yung pagmamahal
ng asawa sa kanyang husband,
it may be
human love.
It may be human affection.
Yung pag-ibig
sa bawat na mag-asawa.
Yes, it is the peak
of human love.
That is why God
in marriage invites
the husband and the wife
to join
their love together
in the love of God.
Amen?
No family is
perfect because there is
no perfect marriage.
There are no
perfect people.
The human love
that the husband and the wife have
together is not perfect.
And so God enters
the picture. That's why
the husband and the wife,
hindi naman perfect ang love nila
dahil hindi sila perfect.
Pero yung pag-ibig nila
sa bawat isa, yan ay
kinoconnect nila sa pag-ibig
ng Diyos.
And when that love
that the husband and wife
have for each other is so connected
to the love of God, you know what happens?
That love
is not perfect
but it is so strong.
It is so
strong that it can
last forever.
Kaya ang tanong, meron bang
forever? Meron po.
Merong talaga.

That's why
the invitation of God
in the sacrament
is always
a covenant.
Philippines
is the only Christian
nation that
has no divorce
law. Pilipinas
na lang.
All the nations around the world,
legal na yung divorce.
Sa Pilipinas
na lang po.
Sa Pilipinas
na lang, yung divorce
illegal. Hindi talaga
legal. Although pinaglalaman
ngayon yan sa Congress, sa Senado
na magiging legal ang divorce.
But only in the Philippines
na wala tayong
divorce law.
Pero ang tanong ko sa inyo, wala tayong
divorce law, pero may
di-divorce. Oh, marami.
Kasi hindi naintindihan
yan.
Hindi maggets.
Hindi mo pa rin makuha ng
ang Diyos ang may likha
ng marriage na yan.
Ang Diyos ang nagtawag sa inyo.
Maring na in love lang kayo,
maring na attract kayo sa bawat isa.
But it was God who called you
to come together.
And it is God who will
sustain that marriage
together. You know, it takes
a man and a woman to get married.
But it takes God
to stay married.
Amen?
It takes God.
That's why the man
and the woman who love each other
should bring their love before
God. Connect it
to God.
In that way, your love for each other,
that will be forever.
Hindi nabubura yan.
Amen?
And because
it is a covenant,
and every time we fulfill
that covenant faithfully,
you know what happens?
There is
a fruit that will come out
of it. There is a
blessing that will come out

in that covenant which we
follow faithfully.
That's why sinabi niya kay Adam
and Eve, when they came together,
when God joined them together, this is
what God said to them,
Go, go and
multiply.
And that brings us to the second part
of our gospel today. Our gospel
talks also about
children. Children
are a blessing from
the Lord.
Yun ang risultan yan.
Pag yung pag-ibig
ng asawa, the husband
and wife love for each other,
it is enthroned, it is
given and surrendered to the love of God,
connected to the love of God.
It fulfills the covenant
and God would bless that
relationship.
And part of the blessings
are children.
Papano, father, yung mag-asawa
na walang anak, hindi magkakaanak?
Marami pong paraan magkakaanak.
Amen?
I know a couple
was not
having a baby
for so many years, wala silang baby.
And so they asked God
for a child. Sabi na, Lord,
we want our love
for each other. Walang meaning
o walang bunga.
A few weeks later,
someone approached them.
May lumapit sa kanila.
May daladalang bata.
Pumunta sa pinto nila, sabi sa kanila,
Mrs.,
tanggapin niyo tong anak ko.
Hindi ko kayang buhayin yan. Sa inyo na lang yan.
Binigyan sila ng anak.
And so they adopted
the child. And the child
grew up in their family and they
took care of that child
as if it was their
own child.
That child was nurtured
in love,
in affection,
and that child grew
to be a blessing to his
parents.
You understand what I'm saying?
Yan ang effect
kung yung pagmamahal natin
sa bawat isa sa pamilya,

and we connected that, connect that
to the love of Christ,
it will become fruitful.
That's why nung kinikwento ni Jesus,
kwento niya about marriage,
tinutuloy ng mga apostols niya about marriage.
Children who came,
may mga nanay na dumating,
daladala yung mga bata.
Nung lumapit na yung mga bata,
the disciples of Jesus
started to, you know,
guwa ka mo, ingay, kasahangag ka,
mga unga ka rayo, you know,
pinapaalis nila yung mga bata.
Pinapaalis yung mga bata.
Sige, sige, masaya.
And Jesus rebuked them for that.
Why?
Ito yung bunga ng sinasabi ko sa inyo.
The children
are the blessing that comes when there
is a covenant relationship
between you.
These are the blessings.
Bakit yung pinagtatabuyan yan?
And this is what Jesus said to them,
you suffer not the little children
to come to me.
One of the things I'm so excited
about every Sunday,
excited talaga ako
pag nagre-recessional na.
Yung palabas na yung,
palabas na ako, pagkatapos na ng
misa, di lalabas na ako.
I'm so excited.
Nandun na yung paliliit.
Nakatingin na sa akin, nakaabang na sa akin,
naantay na nila ako.
And when I get there,
pagkatapos ng,
let us go forth into the world, thanks be to God,
hallelujah, yung mga batang na yan,
takbuhan sa akin.
I start to bless,
yung iba nagahug, nagkikiss sa akin.
And every time
a child comes to me and hug me
and bless me, I feel like
the blessings of God is
overtaking me.
We see that
in the Bible many times, parents will
bring their children, especially the mothers,
dinadala talaga ng nanay nila
yung mga anak nila palapit kay Jesus.
Bakit?
Why?
Why would the mothers bring their children
to Jesus?
Maraming ibang pera si Jesus.
Kapanumpud bagay mo't kwartas.
Mga unga, atay mo kapanumpud kwartas.

Why would the mothers
bring their children to Jesus?
Does Jesus play with them?
Wala akong nakita sa Bible na
nakikipaglaro si Lord sa mga bata.
The only reason I see
in the Bible, makikita nyo,
that every time the mothers bring
their children to Jesus, Jesus would
bless them.

Mothers
bring their children
to the priest. They bring their children
to the bishop.
Kasi binibless
yan ang bishop.
Kaya dyan sa likod,
pagpatapos na yung misa,
magulo na kami sa likod.
Kasi nandun na yung mga bata, nagtatakbuhan na
at nagbibless na sa akin.
And mga mothers, mga nanay,
dinadala yung mga bata. And it's okay.
Wag nyo'ng sabihin, ay, masangag ka mo.
Si bishop, si bishop.
Ay, wag ka mag-istorbo ka mo.
Hindi istorbo yung bata sa akin.
Amen?

Wag dalhin yung mga bata
sa simbahan pag may misa. May istorbo
si bishop. Hindi po ako na istorbo
sa batang umiiyak sa simbahan.
Hanggat meron akong
naririnig na boses ng bata,
may nakikita kong bata sa simbahan
na yan, alam ko,
blessed ang simbahan natin.
Ang ayaw ko talaga
pakinggan sa simbahan,
talaga nairita ako, talagang masama
ang loob ko pag naririnig ko yan.
Yung matanda na umuubo.
Parang sa akin, sa loob ko,
naisip ko lang, dalhin nyo na sa ospital yan, please.
Pero yung bata,
tumatakbo, nagsisigaw-sigaw,
makikita mo yung nanay,
may hawak ng sinturon,
papaluin yung bata. Sabi ko,
let them play.

Amen?
Let them play, let them enjoy themselves.
Children are
a blessing from the Lord.

Amen?
Children is the fruit,
children is the blessing
of a family
of a family
that has joined their love for
the love of Christ.
Yan ang resulta.
Pag yung mga pamilya dito,
yung mag-asawa dito,

yung pag-ibig nyo sa bawat isa,
if you bring that to Christ,
connect your love for each other
to the love of Christ,
connect your human love
to the divine love,
you will be blessed.
Another sign that you are blessed
is you have children.
Our church,
our fellowship,
yung pagsasama natin
dito sa simbahan,
yung pagmamahalan natin
dito sa loob ng community natin,
we will connect it
to the love of Christ for His people.
What will happen to our church?
We will have more children
in the church.
Nadami yung mga bata
sa simbahan.
I went to a church,
I visited a church one time,
I was invited.
Paglapit ko dun,
ni isang bata wala akong nakita.
So tinanong ko yung parish council,
sabi ko, saan yung mga bata?
Sabi niya, wala na, puro lolat.
Kaya sabi niya,
nagpipray na lang kami, walang mamatay.
Kasi unti-unti
na sila mamatay.
Nakakatakot naman yung simbahan yan.
But as long as we have
children running around in the church,
I'm so blessed because
I know the church will stay for
many, many,
many years because of the
presence of our children.
We have the responsibility
to pray
as married couples,
families here in church.
We have the
responsibility to pray together.
We have to pray husband and wife,
learn to pray for each other.
So that your love
for each other will be connected
to the love of Christ and that love
of Christ, even though
your love in the family is not perfect,
it will be strong
because the love of Christ
will strengthen that love.
Amen?
Now, right after communion,
mamaya pagkakomunion tayo,
pagkatapos ng communion,
I would like you to pray
not as individuals.

Minsan bumabalik lang tayo sa upuan natin,
nagdadasal tayo, kanya-kanya tayong dasal.
I would like you to pray as a family.
After communion,
look for your family.
And I would like you to pray
together as a family.
Strengthen the bond of your family
by connecting your love for each other
to the love of Christ.
How do we do that? In prayer.
That's why sana,
after communion, ganyan tayo.
Anapin yung pamilya nyo.
At dito mismo, sa tahanan ng Diyos,
tayo magdadasal
bilang pamilya.
Can we all do that?
Can we do that?
After communion,
hanapin mo yung pamilya nyo.
Find a corner that you can pray
together as a family.