



Pastoral Letter

My Dear Little Flower,

Last Sunday, Jesus showed us what the kingdom of heaven is like: the parable of the weeds and the wheat. I was listening to Fr. Michael Schmitz' beautiful homily which stated: "the answer to the weeds in God's field is not pulling the weeds out; rather, the answer to the problem of the weeds is more wheat!"

The answer to the Church's scandal is not no-families, no-people, no-married couples, no-good-fathers or mothers, no-priests. The answer to the darkness of the church today is more good families who seek God's grace and forgiveness, more priests who are servants and are holy, more individuals searching for a deeper relationship with the Church and Jesus Christ!

Last week God showed me His grace through our awesome Masses, the Sacrament of Marriage, and 4 Baptisms that happened at the Church of the Little Flower! God is indeed good - all the time - as Fr Matt always reminds us.

The grace of the sacraments is the answer to the misfortunes and darkness of the world we live in. The more we Catholics live out our sacramental life, the more we contribute to the grace and the goodness in our Church and our world. Help us in this task - of activating the forces and power of goodness through the sacraments.

Congratulations to the newly baptized children; welcome to the Christian family. Congratulations to the Hall, Joyal, Bonus-Evangelista, Rusignello families. Congratulations to the newly-married couple: Luis and Tatiana Verala. I am here for you and with you in your journey!

Your parish priest,
Fr JC Merino

