



Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace

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Thanksgiving Day

November 28, 2024

Beloved Disciples of Christ,

Greetings of peace, love, and joy!

“Forever Grateful”

Thanksgiving Day is upon us once again. Every year, on this day, we gather as a community of faith to offer our praise and thanksgiving to God by celebrating the Holy Eucharist, the most beautiful, meaningful, and profound way to express gratitude for God’s goodness and grace. As your pastor, we have journeyed together for the past five years. Many things transpired, especially during the most challenging times brought about by the pandemic, and we continue to thrive. I firmly believe God’s blessings continue to pour upon us through the loving intercession of our Blessed Mother, Our Lady of Peace.

Today, I continue to express my heartfelt gratitude to all of you, known and unknown, dedicated parishioners and visitors of our beloved Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace. We continue to thrive because of your spirit in responding to the call of discipleship. A day like this cannot be dismissed without saying MAHALO, Forever Grateful for your love, support, and prayers.

With our beloved Bishop’s wish to have the renovation of the Cathedral Basilica realized next year, I am here to appeal to your generous hearts to give our all-out support. Through our concerted efforts, the next generation of faithful disciples may continue to treasure the gifts we shared.

Later in the day, before you partake of the meal prepared to celebrate Thanksgiving Day, say this prayer with your family.

Almighty Father, you are lavish in bestowing all your gifts, and we give you thanks for the favors you have given to us. In your goodness, you have favored us and kept us safe in the past. We ask that you continue to protect us and to shelter us in the shadow of your wings. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Your friend in Jesus,

Fr. Pascual