

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS INTENTIONS

The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church

Together We are Strong - The Church's Social Mission

28. How are social doctrine and faith connected?

Not everyone who is socially or politically involved is a Christian. But someone can hardly call himself a Christian if he is not socially involved. The Gospel very emphatically leads people to commit themselves to love, justice, freedom, and peace. When Jesus proclaims the coming of the Kingdom of God, he does not just heal and save individual human beings; rather, he starts a new form of community - a kingdom of peace and justice. Now God alone can bring about this kingdom definitively. Christians, however, should work for a better society. They should build a city of man "that is more human because it is in greater conformity with the Kingdom of God" (Compendium of Social Doctrine 63). When Jesus compares the Kingdom of God to yeast that gradually leavens a large measure of dough (Mt. 13:33), he shows the way in which Christians should work in society.

29. Can social justice be the final goal of the Church?

No. The Church would not have reached all her desired goals if there were a just society. The salvation that the Church proclaims begins on earth: it saves the individual person, transforms human relations, and heals the wounds of society. Redemption begins as a sign of hope in just social structures here on earth. Nevertheless, the "new city" is not the result of human struggles and efforts. Although we may have done everything in our power, still the "holy city" comes down "out of heaven" (Rev 21:10) into our situation. Real peace is a gift from God.

'VOCATION SEEDS'

"If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's." Consider service as a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you

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"Creation is not a property, which we can rule over at will; or even less, is the property of only a few ... we care for it and we use it for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude."

- Pope Francis -

Saturday September 16:

5:00 pm +Joel Rosales
+Noel Geniza
+Amiel Chopra
+Maripe Camcam
+Mary Sandanam
+Thelma Tolentino
+Leon Seymour
Intention of Carlota & Jennie Rose

Sunday September 17:

9:00 am +Chung-Hon & Pui-Ching Ngan
10:30 am +Natalia Enriquez Sebastian
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday September 18:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

Tuesday September 19:

9:00 am Intention of Veronica Dvorak & Family

Wednesday September 20:

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Ylagan and
McLeod Families

Thursday September 21:

9:00 am +Teresa & Santiago Garin

Friday September 22:

9:30 am **NO MASS**
7:30 pm +Frank & Brigit Stalmach

Saturday September 23:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

There will be **NO 9:30 am MASS or ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT on Fridays in September.**
9:30 Mass and Adoration will resume on Friday October 6, 2017

What the sower is sowing is the world. For there is nothing hidden, but it must be disclosed, nothing kept secret except to be brought to light. Anyone who has ears for listening should listen.

- Gospel Mark 4:14, 22, 23 -

September 17, 2017

2017 MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM

will commence Saturday October 28, 2017. Please note that this program is held once a year, hence, couples planning to marry December 2018 can register for it. For more information, kindly contact Aggie Gomez at 416 292 5707

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN

Where to send payments:

Thank you for your commitment to our parish's Family of Faith Campaign. To help ensure our parish benefits from your help on a timely basis, please make sure your payment information is up-to-date. Donations/payment can be sent directly to the Donation Processing Centre. The address is: Donations Processing Centre

Family of Faith Campaign
1155 Yonge Street
Toronto, ON
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You should contact the Centre when your address changes your payment method/information changes (e.g. a new card or a new card expiry date).

The email address is campaign@archtoronto.org and telephone is 416 934 3400 ext 555.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

From September 27 through November 5, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life - 40 days of prayers and fasting for an end to abortion. You're also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way across the street from the Women's Care Clinic, 960 Lawrence Ave. W., Toronto. If you'd like more information - and especially if you'd like to volunteer to help, please go to www.40daysforlife.com/Toronto to sign up for the vigil schedule or call Matt at 416-204-9749 for more details.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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Blessed Frederic Ozanam: 1813-1853

(Founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul)

"To become better - do a little good". -Blessed Frederic Ozanam

There are many families in our Parish, who find it difficult to make ends meet. Your generous contribution every Sunday to the POOR BOX, is the HOPE to our neighbour-in-need. SVP counts on you for your support. May Blessed Frederic Ozanam bless you and your family for helping the less fortunate.

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

September 24

Every year, the Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal Conference and to the respective regional Episcopal assembly (in the Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario and Western regions). Any additional funds from the collection are at the disposal of the diocese for its own pastoral needs.

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops is the national assembly of Catholic Bishops. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in their ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance.

Collection envelopes will be distributed this weekend for next weekend second collection. Please take one.

ST. LAWRENCE MARTYR CHURCH IS HOSTING ALPHA

Do you have doubts or questions? Are you interested in knowing the basics of the faith? Do you want to grow in your relationship with Christ and the people around you? Want to be better at speaking about Christ? Come to Alpha! Starting Wednesday September 20 at 7:00 pm, at St. Lawrence Martyr Parish Hall (2210 Lawrence Ave. E.). A free dinner will be provided at each of the 12 sessions. Invite your friends to come. For more info call Fr. Steven at 416 759 9359 ext 31.

QUEEN OF APOSTLES - WOMEN'S RETREAT

When: Friday September 22 - Sunday September 24, 2017

Theme: Journeying With Women of the Bible

Where: Queen of Apostles - 1617 Blythe Road

Further information please call: 905 278 5229

GETHSEMANE MINISTRIES

Brother Sabu Aaruthotty and Father Roy James are from India and are coming to Gethsemane Ministries in Wellandport, Ontario on Saturday September 30, 2017 and Sunday October 1, 2017. Brother Sabu is well-known all over the world for the gift of healing. He is truly anointed by God. Bus service is being arranged for both days. Please see attached insert in this week's St. Aidan's bulletin for more information.

A quarrel between friends, when made up, adds a new tie to friendship. - St. Francis de Sales