

PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

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The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church

God's Master Plan Love

12. What significance do the Ten Commandments have for our life together?

In the Ten Commandments, God supplies us with the everlasting principles of the good life. We can rely on them as a guide. And this brings about a world as God designed it to be. In them we learn what our duties are - for example, we must not steal from anyone - and at the same time, our rights become clear: no one may steal from us, either. The content of the Ten Commandments is similar to that of natural law, in other words, what is written on the heart of every human being as a notion of good action. In them universal ways of acting are described that are binding for all human beings and cultures. Hence the Ten Commandments are also the basic rules of life together in society.

13. How does God reveal himself in Jesus of Nazareth?

In Jesus Christ, God's self-revelation reaches its highest point. In his person, as true man and true God, the love of God manifests itself in an absolute and unsurpassable way. In him the Word of God became flesh, as the beginning of the Gospel of John reports. Who God is and how he encounters man becomes visible and even physically tangible in Jesus Christ. So he can say: "He who has seen me has seen the Father" (Jn 14:9). Christ became like to us human beings in everything except sin: consequently, Jesus is the ideal human being, man according to God's master plan. Jesus lived out the will of God: love. To be a Christian means to come as near to Jesus as possible. Through the sacraments we even enter into Jesus; we become "the Body of Christ".

VOCATION SEEDS'

"Blessed is the one who comes in the Name of the Lord!" Are you being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you,

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**NO ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON
GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 14, 2017**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 8:

5:00 pm +Sebastiao Braganza
+Wilfredo Ylagan
+Niceta Gomes
+Olive Rebello
+Fred & Emelda Balasingham
+Agnes Chan
Birthday Blessings for Lorna Currie
Birthday Blessings for Emmanuel and
Jhaen Mascoll

Sunday April 9:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza
10:30 am +Mafaldina D'Souza
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday April 10:

9:00 am +Maria Olga De Souza

Tuesday April 11:

9:00 am **NO MASS**
11:00 am Chrism Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral
7:30 pm Mass & St. Anthony Novena

Wednesday April 12:

7:30 pm +Marcelino & Miguel Poblete

Thursday April 13:

9:00 am **NO MASS**
7:30 pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday April 14:

9:30 am **NO MASS**
3:00 pm Good Friday Liturgical Service

Saturday April 8:

9:00 am **NO MASS**
8:00 pm Solemn Easter Vigil Celebration and Mass

NOVENA TO THE DIVINE MERCY

will begin on Good Friday - March 14, 2017 following The Stations of the Cross. Schedules for the other days, please refer to the poster in the foyer. The **Feast Day Mass** will be at 12:00 noon on Sunday March 23, 2017 followed by singing of the Chaplet and Benediction.

Parishioners are encouraged to attend!

April 9, 2017

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on **Good Friday April 14, 2017**. Our parish, once a year on Good Friday, is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives.

As a Pontifical Collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.

SHARELIFE

Living the Gospel by supporting the deaf community...

Taavi wasn't engaged at his school or in extracurricular sports and as a Deaf person, he faced obstacles trying to join his hearing peers. His mom encouraged him to try to participate in the Deaf community. His life changed when he joined a Deaf basketball fun day hosted by Silent Voice and met Mike, Director of the Silent Voice Child and Family Program. He joined a Deaf sports team, began a co-op position with Silent Voice in his 4th year of high school, and was hired as a counselor in the Silent Voice Sign Language Summer day camp. He continues to volunteer at Silent Voice and says, "I'm grateful to ShareLife - supported Silent Voice and want to be a role model for Deaf kids, like Mike was to me." **Last year more than 600 deaf children received help through ShareLife-supported Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer Camp.**

Today the 1st ShareLife Collection will be taken up after each Mass. Please give generously!

Next Sharelife Sunday is May 7, 2017

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"The mission of proclaiming Christ, through action or through words, is one mission. The mission of love and compassion for the poor and the needy is the other"- Saint Teresa of Calcutta

During these last few days of the Lenten season, let us intensify our efforts in this mission of love and compassion by doing the 'extra' and as a community, care for those among us who need our help.

The POOR BOX collection for March was \$1,417.86. Thank you for your support.

2017 HOLY WEEK PROGRAM

April 9, Palm Sunday:

Masses: 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 noon
Distribution and Blessing of palms; Proclamation of the Lord's Passion at Masses

April 10, Monday:

9:00 am: Mass
7:30 pm: Penitential Rite #2: This celebration will consist of singing, Holy Scriptures readings, examination of conscience, individual confession. 2 or 3 priests will be available for confessions.

April 11, Tuesday:

11:00 am: Chrism Mass at St. Michael's Cathedral
7:30 pm Mass and Novena to St. Anthony

April 12, Wednesday:

7:30 pm: Healing Mass: Anointing of the sick - this sacrament is given to anyone whose health is seriously impaired or elderly who are notably weakened, even though no serious illness present. Those persons whose health is not impaired should not receive it.

No Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

April 13, Holy Thursday:

7:30 pm: Solemn Mass of the Lord's Last Supper - Washing of the feet, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament till midnight;

April 14, Good Friday:

3:00 pm: Good Friday Liturgy - Proclamation of the Lord's Passion; Veneration of the Cross; Holy Communion
7:30 pm: Stations of the Cross - Reflection of Jesus' Passion and Death on Good Friday by walking the journey with Him and listening to His final Words from the Cross! Parishioners are encouraged to attend.

April 15, Holy Saturday:

8:00 pm: Solemn Easter Vigil Celebration and Mass

April 16, Easter Sunday:

Masses: 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 noon

CONFESSIONS:

April 10, Monday: 7:30 pm
April 14, Friday: after the 3:00 pm service
April 15, Saturday: 10:00 am - 12:00 noon
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

MARCH FOR LIFE

Thursday May 11, 2017, Ottawa

St. Aidan Church will share a bus with St. Bartholomew Parish. Adult: \$30.00 Student: \$15.00
Bus leaving from St. Bartholomew Church parking lot on Thursday May 11, at 6:30 am and will be back in Toronto by 8:30 pm. For Tickets: Call Wayne 416 254 9464