

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

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The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church Unique and Infinitely Valuable - The Human Person

58. Are there fundamental differences between human beings?

No. God created all human persons in his image, and consequently all are endowed with the same inalienable dignity, regardless of sex, nationality, religion, or skin color. Because this is true, injustices between sexes or between entire peoples must be overcome, in order to assure the personal growth, equal opportunity, and thus the dignity of everyone.

59. How are man and woman the same, and how are they different?

Man and woman are the same in God's sight in their dignity as persons. God creates a human being, not in the abstract, but as either a man or a woman. And he creates human beings in such a way that men and women are fundamentally meant for each other and need one another, without one sex dominating or marginalizing the other (machismo, radical feminism). Therefore, to be a man or a woman means more than to assume a particular role. From the Christian perspective, man and woman in a loving relationship manifest the communion of persons in God.

WISHING YOU ALL, THE PARISHIONERS

**A Happy and Prosperous New Year
filled with Love and Peace!**

Fr. Joseph Sultana, Deacon Patrick Chang & Staff

'VOCATION SEEDS'

By Baptism we are God's holy family. Pray today for the grace to live faithfully your vocation as a single, married, ordained or consecrated person. If God is calling you,

contact Fr. Chris Lemeieux, Vocation Director
Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997
email: vocations@archtoronto.org
www.vocationstoronto.ca

Christ does not force our will. He takes only what we give him. But he does not give himself entirely until he sees that we yield ourselves entirely to him.
- St. Teresa of Avila -

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday December 30:

5:00 pm +Clement & Patrick Benedict
+Glenda Alary Crocco
+Emelda & Fred Balasingham
+Hilaria Gamata
+Mary Xavier
Intention of Levi & Peter Dvorak
In Thanksgiving of Esteleydiz Family
In Thanksgiving of Acheron-Vasquez Family

Sunday December 31:

9:00 am +Loreto & Amando Sr. Lanot

10:30 am In Thanksgiving of Ylagan and
McLeod Families

12:00 pm Pro-Populo

5:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

Monday January 1, 2018

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

10:30 am Celebrants Intention

12:00 pm Pro-Populo

Tuesday January 2:

9:00 am Intention of Vicente & Maeve Jara Family

Wednesday January 3:

7:30 pm +Cyrill Soares

Thursday January 4:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Edmund Lee

Friday January 5:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Ignatius M. Mendes

Saturday January 6:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
on Fridays with Mass at 9:00 am concluded
with Benediction at 7:00 pm and Mass at 7:30 pm

SANCTUARY LAMP
Souls in Purgatory

December 31, 2017

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Sunday December 30

Roman Catholics religious Festival falling on the first Sunday after Christmas. The shepherds hastened to Bethlehem, where they found Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in a manger. (Luke 2:16—Entrance Antiphon)

The Feast of the Holy Family is a liturgical celebration in the Catholic Church in honor of Jesus of Nazareth, the Blessed Virgin Mary and His father, St. Joseph

THE FAMILY

The family is the original cell of social life. It is natural society in which husband and wife are called to give themselves in love and in the gift of life. Authority, stability, and a life of relationships within the family constitute the foundations for freedom, security, and fraternity within society. The family is the community in which, from childhood, one can learn moral values, begin to honor God, and make good use of freedom. Family life is an initiation into life in society.

The family should live in such a way that its members learn to care and take responsibility for the young, the old, the sick, the handicapped, and the poor. There are many families who are at times incapable of providing this help. It devolves then on other persons, other families, and, in a subsidiary way, society to provide for their needs: "Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained from the world." (From the Catechism of the Catholic Church, page 590, number 2207-2208)

**St. Augustine Lay Spiritual Formation Program
Presents**

Monsignor A. Robert Nusca

**THE FACES OF CHRIST
in the Book of Revelation**

**Saturday January 20, 2018
9:30 am - 3:00 pm
(includes Mass in the seminary chapel)**

**Cost: \$50.00 (lunch included)
Register online: www.staugustines.on.ca**

**St. Augustine's Seminary of Toronto
2661 Kingston Rd.
Scarborough, ON M1M 1M3**

2018 NEW YEAR PROGRAMME

MASSSES

Sunday December 31:

9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 Noon

Sunday December 31: New Year's Eve

5:00 pm Mass

Monday January 1, 2018: New Year's Day

9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 Noon

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We greatly appreciate your support in helping us serve our neighbours-in-need this year. THANK YOU for sharing your love, generosity and blessings with our neighbours-in-need and making them feel special. May the Good Lord Jesus, bless you and your family abundantly.

As we usher in the new year, let us begin by imploring the intercession of Mary the Mother of God, who gave us Jesus.

We wish all our Parishioners a Happy New Year 2018 ...
A year full of peace, happiness, good health and prosperity

The Archdiocese of Toronto together with the Chaldean Catholic Community

**Invites you to a special Mass on the occasion of the 104th
WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES**

**Sunday January 14, 2018, 1pm, at Good Shepherd
Chaldean Cathedral Parish
(2 High Meadow Place, North York)
Celebrant: Bishop Bawi Soro
Homilist: Bishop Wayne Kirpatrick
RECEPTION TO FOLLOW**

GIFTS OF SECURITY - A NEW WAY TO HELP

Do you have securities that have gone up in value? Do you already give to your Parish and the wider Catholic community? Consider the potential tax savings of donating securities (stocks, mutual funds, bonds). Donating securities is very easy to do. For more information, please contact the Parish Office or the Development Office of the Archdiocese of Toronto at 416 934 3411 or
Email: development@archtoronto.org
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