

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

65. What are human rights about specifically?

The fundamental human right is the right to life, this right exists from conception onward, since from that point in time the new human being already has the status of a separate person. Another human right is the right to freedom of opinion. Next, no human being can be denied the right to earn a living for himself and his family by his own work. The right to marry and start a family, to have children and raise them personally, is also a human right. The human right to choose and practice a religion freely is very important; there should be no compulsion in religious matters.

66. What are the connections between rights and duties?

A person who exercises a human right at the same time also assumes duties and thus responsibilities toward others. Pope John XXIII comments in *Pacem in terris* (30): "To claim one's rights and ignore one's duties, or only half fulfill them, is like building a house with one hand and tearing it down with the other."

67. How can justice prevail between nations?

Not only individual human beings, but peoples and nations, too, have a right to justice. There is injustice when entire states are conquered, divided up, reduced to satellite states, plundered, or even become the object of exploitation by stronger states. Every nation is in principle naturally endowed with the right to existence and independence, to its own language and culture, to free self-determination and to the free choice of the states with which the nation would like to cooperate peacefully. Human rights must be applied on the higher level of states. In this way peace, respect, and solidarity can be made possible among all peoples. Sovereignty under international law must of course not be taken as a pretext for denying human rights domestically or oppressing minorities.

'VOCATION SEEDS'

The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or diaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation,

call Fr. Chris Lemeieux, Vocation Director
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 20:

5:00 pm +Victoria Noronha
+Vincent & Laura Lobo
+Alejandra & Justino Lanoy
+Elegario & Pio Bonilla
+Fernando David
+Satguranasa Sivakolunthu
Intention of Elizabeth Seymour

Sunday January 21:

9:00 am +Clement & Patrick Benedict
10:30 am +Lucrecia & Rustico Malinaw
12:00 pm Pro-Populo

Monday January 22:

9:00 am Special Intention

Tuesday January 23:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family

Wednesday January 24:

7:30 pm +Maria Olga de Souza

Thursday January 25:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Lito & Nora Rosales

Friday January 26:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention
7:30 pm Deceased Membres of Balagtas and
Geniza Families

Saturday January 27:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

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

The following are available in the Gift Shop

- 2018 Sunday Missal at \$5.00 each
- Novalis "Living with Christ" for the month of February at \$3.50 each

Give me, Lord, a full faith, a firm hope and
a fervent love, a love for you incomparably
above the love of myself. - St. Thomas More

January 21, 2018

GETTING TO MASS ON TIME

NO EXCUSES: Pope Francis is stressing the importance of getting to Mass on time, noting that every piece is important, especially the opening Sign of the Cross. "The Mass begins with the Sign of the Cross, with these introductory rites, because we begin to adore God as a community," the Pope said Dec 20. "And for this reason, it is important to plan to not arrive late, but in advance, to prepare the heart for this rite, for this celebration of the community.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

A meeting for parents of the children who are making their First Holy Communion will be held on **Tuesday January 23, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Church hall.**

ST. AUGUSTINE'S LAY SPIRITUAL FORMATION PROGRAM PRESENTS

Dr. Patricia Murphy - An Introduction to the Theology of the Body: **Why Your Matter Matters**

Saturday February 3, 2018
9:30 am - 3:00 pm
(includes Mass in the seminary Chapel)
Cost: \$50.00 (lunch included)

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"Reverence for the Lord is an education in itself. We must be humble before we can ever receive honours".

- Proverbs -

The SVP is an institution which caters to the poor. Contributing to the poor box every Saturday and Sunday helps us fulfill this message. We humbly request our parishioners to donate generously to this box. The more we donate, the more we can serve the poor.

God Bless

The Lord measures out perfection neither by the multitude nor the magnitude of our deeds, but by the manner in which we perform them.

- St. John of the Cross -

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE

January 18 - 25

**Your Right Hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power
(Exodus 15:6)**

Join in an ecumenical prayer service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, led by Roman Catholic Archbishop Cardinal Thomas Collins, Anglican Archbishop Colin Johnson, Coptic Orthodox Bishop Anba Mina and other city-wide religious leaders.

Sunday January 28, 2018, 3:00 pm at Metropolitan United Church, 56 Queen St. E. (at Queen and Bond streets).

Parking is available. Refreshments to follow. For further information, contact the Office of Ecumenical and Inter-faith Affairs of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto: 416 934 3400 ext. 344 or
email: vkwok@archtoronto.org

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, ST. AIDAN COUNCIL

invites you to their **Annual Valentine's Dinner Dance** on Saturday February 10, 2018 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

Tickets are for \$25.00 per person and would be made available after all weekend Masses. Hope you will join us. For more information please see the flyer in the foyer.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT WEEKEND

at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga **February 16-18, 2018.** The retreat will be preached by the Centre team - Oblate Father Pawel Ratajczak and Mrs. Anne Hales. A beautiful way to begin the season of Lent. For more information or registration, please call 905 278 5229.

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD SCHOOL LECTURE SERIES

Can one write as a Catholic today? Does it matter? As part of its Seeing More ... lecture series, Mary, Mother of God School, in collaboration with St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, has invited::Prof. Randy Boyagoda, Prof. Janine Langan, Alexandra Newman, and Prof. Stephen Tardif to explore these questions. Please join the discussion! Donations Welcome, Wednesday, February 7 at 7:00 pm, Charbonnel Lounge, Elmsley Hall, St. Michael's College, University of Toronto, 81 St. Mary St. 416 531 7897

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