

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM: DOCAT

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

82. Why are people afraid of becoming incapacitated?

There is a concern about being at the mercy of others. People fear dependency or loneliness. The legitimate hospice movement addresses all these concerns. Precisely in the final phase of life, we must give the dying the opportunity to approach their own death with the loving care of other people. In addition to that, they especially need spiritual assistance in the last weeks and days of their life.

83. What is the significance of dying from the Christian perspective?

Today dying often appears to be nothing more than bodily deterioration. Dying however, is a decisive part of life, and for many people - the step to final maturity. For a Christian, life is a gift. This thought inspires trust even in one's difficult last hours. We know that we are in the hand of a loving God and have hope that death is not the end but a transition to eternal life. This puts the experience of suffering into a completely different perspective. Again and again those in the pastoral ministry find that this hope gives consolation even to seemingly irreligious people who are facing their actual death. In the suffering and dying person, Christ is especially close to us.

Commissariat of the Holy Land in Canada

GOOD FRIDAY PONTIFICAL COLLECTION

on March 30, 2018 for the benefit of the Holy Land

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on **Good Friday March 30, 2018**. 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.

With gratitude,

Father Gilles Bourdeau, OFM

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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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent, there will be Stations of the Cross after the 7:30 pm Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday March 17:

5:00 pm +Theresamma Sigmaringan
+Victoria Noronha
+Edgar John Rozario
+Jesus Carpio
+Louisa Santos

Sunday March 18:

9:00 am Intention of Dias Family

10:30 am In Thanksgiving of Siganporia Family

12:00 pm Pro-Populo

Monday March 19:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

7:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

Tuesday March 20:

9:00am +Glenda Alary Crocco

7:00 pm Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday March 21

7:00 pm +Felipa Contreras-Aceron

Thursday March 22:

9:00 am Special Intention

Friday March 23:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Maria Olga de Souza

Saturday March 24:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

'VOCATION SEEDS'

Unless a seed dries out and dies, it cannot be planted in the earth to grow. Unless we die to our selfish ways, we cannot expect to be people who will "lay down their lives for their friends". If you think God is calling you to lay down your life as a priest, religious or deacon for His Church,

call Fr. Chris Lemeieux, Vocation Director
Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997

email: vocations@archtoronto.org
www.vocationstoronto.ca

March 18, 2018

SHARELIFE

Living the Gospel locally and around the world ...

“It is important that we continue to support the ShareLife appeal, to provide for the needs of the marginalized both here in our communities and around the world. Sometimes the results are obvious and sometimes they’re invisible, but always they make a tangible difference in the lives of the people we are helping. **Please prayerfully consider how you can be supportive today on ShareLife Sunday.**” - **Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto**

**Today is ShareLife Sunday
Thank you for your generosity**

PARISH LENTEN MISSION

A Parish Lenten Mission will be held in our parish on **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, March 19 to 21, 2018.**

Mass: 7:00 pm

Parish Mission: 7:30 pm

Speaker: Deacon Gary Johnson

ALL ARE WELCOME

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

will be on **Saturday March 24, 2018** at St. Aidan Catholic Church from 10:00 m to 11:00 am.

- No pre-registration is required
- New candidates must be in grade 4 and up
- Must serve a minimum on 25 Masses in a calendar year
- Must be reading the Bible at home and praying the Rosary regularly
- During Lent please pray the Stations of the Cross
- Parental support and guidance will be helpful
- Existing altar servers are welcome to attend

SAINT ANTHONY NOVENA

The thirteen consecutive Tuesday Novena in honour of St. Anthony will start on **Tuesday March 20, 2018** Mass at 7:00 pm.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Tel: 647 772 1319

www.svdptoronto.org

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a lay Catholic organization whose mission is : “To live the Gospel message by serving Christ in the poor with love, respect, justice and joy.”

We appreciate you helping the poor through the POOR BOX. By doing so, you are giving hope to many families. God bless you. Please continue this good work.

2018 HOLY WEEK PROGRAM

March 24 Saturday:

5:00 pm: Evening Mass - Distribution and Blessing of Palms
Proclamation of the Lord’s Passion

6:00 pm: Procession with statue representing the Passion of Our Lord around the Church ground. All parishioners are encouraged to attend.

March 25 Palm Sunday:

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

Distribution and Blessing of palms;

Proclamation of the Lord’s Passion at Masses

March 26 Monday:

9:00 am: Mass

7:30 pm: Penitential Rite #2: The celebration will consist of singing, Holy Scriptures reading, examination of conscience, individual confession, 2 or 3 priests will be available for confessions.

March 27, Tuesday:

9:00 am: **No Mass**

11:00 am: Chrism Mass at St. Michael’s Cathedral

7:30 pm: Mass and Novena to St. Anthony

March 28, 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 Lady of Perpetual Help

March 29, Holy Thursday:

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

No 9:00 am Mass

March 30. 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.

March 31, Holy Saturday:

8:00 pm: Solemn Easter Vigil Celebration and Mass

April 1, Easter Sunday:

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

CONFESSIONS:

March 26, Monday: 7:30 pm

March 30, Friday: after the 3:00 pm service

March 31, Saturday: 10:00 am - 12 noon
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm