
FROM: <u>YOUCAT</u> Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

Man Responds to God

20. How can we respond to God when he speaks to us?

To respond to God means to believe him. [142-149]

Anyone who wants to believe needs a heart that is ready to listen (see 1 King 3:9). In many ways God seeks contact with us. In every human encounter, in every moving experience of nature, in every apparent coincidence, in every challenge, every suffering, there is a hidden message from God to us. He speaks even more clearly to us when he turns to us in his Word or in the voice of our conscience. He addresses us as friends. Therefore we, too, should respond as friends and believe him, trust him completely, learn to understand him better and better, and accept his will without reservation.

21. Faith - what is it?

Faith is knowledge and trust. It has seven characteristics:

- Faith is a sheer gift of God, which we receive when we fervently ask for it.
- Faith is the supernatural power that is absolutely necessary if we are to attain salvation.
- Faith requires the free will and clear understanding of a person when he accepts the divine invitation.
- Faith is absolutely certain, because Jesus guarantees it.
- Faith grows when we listen more and more carefully to God's Word and enter a lively exchange with him in prayer.
- Faith gives us even now a foretaste of the joy of heaven. [153-165, 179-180, 183-184]

Many people say that to believe is not enough for them; they want to know. The word "believe", however, has two completely different meanings. If the parachutist asks the clerk at the airport, "Is the parachute packed safely?" and the other man answers casually, "Hmm, I believe so", then that will not be enough for him; he would like to know it for sure. But if he has asked a friend to pack the parachute, then the friend will answer the same question by saying, "Yes, I did it personally .You can trust me!" And to that the parachutist will reply, "Yes, I believe you." And that is the kind of belief that prompted Abraham to travel to the Promised Land; that is the faith that caused the Martyrs to stand fast till death; that is the faith that still today upholds Christians in persecution. A faith that encompasses the whole person.

"VOCATION SEEDS"

"Lord, when was it that we saw you....?" Have you heard the Lord as well? Is God calling you to serve as a sister, brother, deacon or priest? If God is calling you,

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 19:

5:00 pm +Tom & Irene Patterson

- +Gerard & Edith Nugara
- +Rufus & Margie Scheffer
- +Mary Patterson
- +Jackie & Valerie Rodrigues
- +Raphael & Olivia Mendonca Intention of Angie Magadia

Sunday, November 20:

9:00 am +Gianni Charamonte

+Domenico, Francisco, Franco Sgambulluri

+Antonio Colangelo & Mike Clappison In Thanksgiving of D'Costa Family

In Thanksgiving of Cecile Joven

10:30 am +Restituto, Simpliciano & Edgar Ayad

- +Felix & Elizabeth Arukattil
- +Albert Remedios
- +Linda Catre
- +Frank Duff
- +Caterina Aillo

Deceased Members of Monteiro Family Deceased Members of Legion of Mary

12:00 pm Pro—Populo

Monday, November 21:

9:00 am +Mary Josephine

All Souls

Deceased & Living Members of Stalmach and Dyorak Families

Tuesday, November 22:

9:00 am +Pedropillai & Emily All Souls in Purgatory

Deceased Members of Albuerne & Alban Families

Wednesday, November 23:

7:30 pm +Piedade Fernandes

Souls in Pugatory

Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus

In Thanksgiving of Alcantara Family

Thursday, November 24:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

Friday, November 25:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Basilio Reyes

+Manayamma & Christopher

Souls in Purgatory

In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family

Saturday, November 26:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

ROMAN MISSAL - THE NEW TRANSLATION

The Gloria

When we begin using the new English translation of the Roman Missal on November 27, 2011, one of the biggest changes you'll notice is the words of the Gloria. When we say or sing it will not change - the Gloria is used on all Sundays of the year, except for those during Advent and Lent and a few other rare occasions. The text has changed enough that composers in Canada have written new musical settings for it that we will rehearse at times before Mass. The Gloria is a joyful hymn of praise and honor to God. When we say it or sing it we honor God's importance. In the Gloria, we raise, with one voice, the song of the angels.

The Apostles' Creed

There are two versions of the creed that are used at mass: the Apostle's Creed and the longer Nicene Creed. Most Canadian Catholics are accustomed to using the Apostle's Creed at most celebrations. A number of small changes have been made to ensure that new translation is more true to the original Latin text. Most notably in the Apostles' Creed, where we previously prayed that "he descended to the dead" we will now use "he descended into hell".

This brief matter-of-fact statement holds the promise of immense hope for believers. It reminds us that Jesus Christ not only died our death but also entered the realm of the dead and set them free. The "hell" is not that of popular culture - a fiery place of eternal punishment but, rather, the hell of the scriptures, the shadowy domain where the dead are spiritless and lost, cut off from light and life.

For more information on the Roman Missal and its changes, visit www.archtoronto.org/romanmissal anytime to continue your reflection.

MEMORIAL BOOK: Parishioners are invited to write the names of deceased relatives and friends. Prayers will be offered for them at the Sunday Masses during the whole month of November

St. Aidan Youth Group is having the St. Aidan Parish Annual Children's Christmas Party on Saturday December 3, 2011 at 10:30 am until 3:00 pm in the church hall. Please see poster in the foyer.

Secret of the Rosary by St. Louis Marie de Montfort is on sale for \$5.00 per copy.

Pew Cards: Please do not remove these cards from the pew boxes. Thank You for your cooperation!

Parish News: If you wish to know what's going on in the Parish such as activities, functions, etc., please take a moment to look at the monitor in the fover before and after weekend Masses.

SANCTUARY LAMP R. Vijuthamparanatham

Only good things come from God's hands. He never gives you more than you can bear. Every burden prepares you for eternity. (Mg)

Pre-Authorized Giving

PAG allows parishioners to make their regular Sunday offering, and if they wish their ShareLife offering using the "Direct Debit" system. PAG is an option, not a requirement. It is being widely used in the Toronto Archdiocese and we want to make PAG available to all parishioners who would like to take advantage of it.

If you are interested, please fill out the PAG authorization form that was distributed last weekend and put it in the collection basket or bring it to the parish office.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is held every Friday from 10:00 am to 7:30 pm starting with a Mass at 9:30 am.

Today, the same Jesus truly present - body, blood, soul and divinity - in the Holy Eucharist asks you "Could you not keep watch with me for even an hour?" He wants to be with you, live with you.

Are you overburdened with cares? Jesus says "Come to me, all of you who are heavily burdened and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28

Are you overwhelmed by the fast pace of the world? Jesus says "Come away with me to a place where we can be alone and you can rest awhile."