

# FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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FROM: YOUCAT  
Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

## I Believe in God the Father

41. Does science make the Creator superfluous?

**No. The sentence “God created the world” is not an outmoded scientific statement. We are dealing here with a theo-logical statement, therefore a statement about the divine meaning (theos = God, logos = meaning) and origin of things. [282 - 289]**

The creation account is not a scientific model for explaining the beginning of the world. “God created the world” is a theological statement that is concerned with the relation of the world to God. God willed the world; he sustains it and will perfect it. Being created is a lasting quality in things and an fundamental truth about them.

42. Can someone accept the theory of evolution and still believe in the Creator?

**Yes. Although it is different kind of knowledge, faith is open to the findings and hypotheses of the sciences. [282 - 289]**

Theology has no scientific competence, and natural science has no theological competence. Natural science cannot dogmatically rule out the possibility that there are purposeful processes in creation; conversely, faith cannot define specifically how this processes takes place in the course of nature’s development. A Christian can accept the theory of evolution as a helpful explanatory model, provided he does not fall into the heresy of evolutionism, which views man as the random product of biological process. Evolution presupposes the existence of something that can develop. The theory says nothing about where this “something” came from. Furthermore, questions about the being, essence, dignity, mission, meaning and wherefore of the world and man cannot be answered in biological terms. Just as “evolutionism” oversteps a boundary on the one side, so does Creationism on the other. Creationists naively take biblical data literally (for example, to calculate the earth’s age, they cite the six days of work in Genesis 1).

**Couples for Christ Foundation for Family and Life** cordially invites all parishioners to a **Valentine’s Dinner Dance** on **Saturday February 11, 2012 at 6:30 pm, St. Aidan Parish Hall.**

Ticket: \$25.00 per person and are available at the foyer after weekend Masses.

## Pilgrimage to Holy Land, Jordan and Egypt

has some seats available. Please contact George Fernandes at 416 493 0016 and see the flyer in the foyer for more details.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday January 28:

5:00 pm +Francis D’Costa  
+Jackie Dias  
+ Betty & Lew Perkins  
+Atilano Quiambao  
+Regalado Dagdag  
+Bradley Fernandes  
+Pedrupillai  
Souls in Purgatory  
In Thanksgiving of D’ Costa Family  
In Thanksgiving of Amal Tadros & George Ghatas  
In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family  
20th Wedding Anniversary of Elvin & Arulnesan

### Sunday January 29:

9:00 am + Timothy Pinto  
  
10:30 am +Maria Emerita Legaspi  
Deceased Members of Wakim Family  
  
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

### Monday January 30:

9:00 am +Felipa & Francisco Bunas

### Tuesday January 31:

9:00 am +George Persaud

### Wednesday February 1:

7:30 pm +Adela & Fructoso Arroyo

### Thursday February 2:

9:00 am +Conchita & Catalino Sr. Ramos

### Friday February 3:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention  
  
7:30 pm +Hermenigildo Geronimo

### Saturday February 4:

9:00 am Celebrant’s Intention

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

## Sanctuary Lamp

Phillip & Shoba Francis

*January 29, 2012*

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**World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life—February 2, 2012**

Thursday February 2nd the Church celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life. In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have among us more than 1,050 religious men and women of over 100 different religious congregations. This World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life is a wonderful opportunity for us to thank God for the gifts of these religious sisters, brothers and priests and to pray for God's blessing upon them in their efforts to faithfully live the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass today Sunday, January 29 at 3:00 pm at St. Paul's Basilica to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

**World Leprosy Day Sunday, January 29, 2012**

Today is World Leprosy Day. We are asking that you take a few moments out of your Sunday service on World Leprosy Day to remember those suffering and marginalized who are living with Leprosy.

**'Come and See' Weekend**

"The Love of Christ urges us on" to radically respond to His call to follow Him whole-heartily. Jesus is inviting you to spend time with Him so that you may discover His call.

**February 3rd to 5th, 2012, St. Augustine's Seminary**

There will be an opportunity for young men of 18 years or older to spend a weekend for time to prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples through the Catholic priesthood.

**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

**An Invitation to a Holy Hour : "Come Sit With Me"**

The first holy hour took place in the middle of the night, when Christ spoke to James, John and Peter, "Could you not watch with me for one hour?" The apostles were tired and sleepy but it was at that time that Jesus needed their consolation.

Every hour is blessed, but those which involve the most sacrifice are the most blessed.

For everyone who has a deep devotion to the burning love of the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar (Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament), there is a need for adorers between 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. We need commitments for at least one half to one hour at these times every Friday to cover this period or at least be on the substitute list. Please contact Naomi Patterson 416-493-0963 or Helen Johnson at 416-499-0050 to register. If for any reason that you are unable to make it at the committed time, please inform the above names so that alternate arrangements can be made for that day.

**Training and Formation for Altar Servers on Sunday February 5, 2012 from 3:00 pm to 4:15 pm in the Church.**

New Altar Servers are needed specially at the 9:00 am Sunday Mass; Must be in grade 4 or above and must serve for a minimum of 24 Masses in a year. All existing Altar Servers are requested to attend and to bring their Bible with them as we connect Scripture with Liturgy.

**Tel.: 416- 821-1319**

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

**[www.svdptoronto.org](http://www.svdptoronto.org)**

"The reward for Christian charity is the joy that one feels after having performed a good deed" (Don Bosco)

It is in loving, in showing kindness and compassion to the **POOR** and those who are in need, we can be His witnesses and allow Him to dwell among us.

May God bless you and your family for your kind generosity.