

# SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## FROM: YOU CAT Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

### I Believe in God the Father

47. Why did God rest on the seventh day?

**God's rest from his work points toward the completion of creation, which is beyond all human efforts. [349]**

Although man in his work is the junior partner of his Creator (Gen 2:15), he can by no means redeem the world by his toil. The goal of creation is "new heavens and a new earth" (Is 65:17) through a redemption that is given to us as a gift. Thus the Sunday rest, which is a foretaste of heavenly rest, is superior to the work that prepares us for it.

48. Why did God create the world?

**"The world was made for the glory of God" (First Vatican Council). [293-294, 319]**

There is no other reason for creation than love. In it God's glory and honor appears. To praise God, therefore, does not mean applauding the Creator. After all, man is not a spectator to the work of creation. For him, "praising" God means being grateful for his own existence together with all creation. 489

**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"

There is a need for adorers between 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm. If you are one who has a deep devotion to the burning love of the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar, please contact Naomi Patterson at 416 493 0963 or Helen Johnson at 416 499 0050.

### Income Tax Receipts for the year 2011

are available for pick - up this weekend February 17/18 in the foyer after Mass.

Thank you for your generous support during 2011....and look forward to your continued support in 2012.

**The Catholic Women's League of Canada (CWL)** is the largest national organization of Catholic women. St. Aidan CWL annual membership drive will take place on Saturday February 25 and Sunday February 26. Invitation is extended to all women of the parish to become part of this national organization. Members will be in the foyer to answer questions about the League.

**Come join us! We need you!**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday February 18:

5:00 pm +Edgardo Veloira  
+Ruth Flores  
+Julian Vasquez Sr.  
+James Sequeira  
+Jacinto Uy Ham Jr.  
+Leo Michael  
+John Marks  
+Edward Namey  
+Arcadio Alon  
Intention of Leslie Infante  
In Thanksgiving of Raquel Bersamira

### Sunday February 19:

9:00 am +Vince D'Andrea  
  
10:30 am Deceased Members of Wakim Family  
  
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

### Monday February 20:

9:00 am +Noemi & Generoso Palma

### Tuesday February 21:

9:00 am +Florencio & Felix Mabbayad

### Wednesday February 22: (Ash Wednesday)

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Bradley Fernandes

### Thursday February 23:

9:00 am +James Valladares

### Friday February 24:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Elizabeth Pedropillai

### Saturday February 25:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

### Wedding Banns

There is a promise of marriage between:  
Enzo Colangelo & Natasa Jankoska

**Novalis Living with Christ missals** for the month of March 2012 are available in the gift shop for \$2.50 each.

*February 19, 2012*

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LENT

Lent is the yearly celebration by the Church of its corporate conversion in Jesus Christ. During this season the liturgy prepares catechumens to celebrate the paschal mystery by the various stages of the Christian initiation. Lent also prepares the faithful for Easter as they recall their baptism and do penance in preparation for the greatest feast of the year.

PENITENTIAL DISCIPLINE

**Law of the Gospel:** The Church wants new emphasis to be given to the evangelical law that a follower of Christ must do penance.. While the heart of penance is hatred for sin as an offence against God, external forms of penance are required to deepen and encourage the internal virtue.

**Fridays** are days of abstinence from meat, but Catholics may substitute special acts of charity and piety on this day.

**Lent:** The penitential charter of Lent is to be maintained. On these days penance is to be considered an important requirement of the Christian life. Fulfillment of this duty involves prayer, works of piety and charity, and self-denial by fulfilling one's obligation more faithfully and especially by observing the prescribed fast and abstinence.

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence from meat.**

The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 years and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18 to 59 years of age. Parents and educators are reminded of their duty to introduce children gradually to the understanding and practice of penance. Adult example will be the greatest influence in this matter.

**Abstinence** means we do not eat meat.

**Fasting** means that we eat only one full meal; two another light meals are permitted, but eating between meals is not permitted.

**Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Masses will be at 9:30 am and 7:30 pm. Distribution of ashes will be at both Masses.**

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

"CALLED BY NAME" NOMINATION

The work of encouraging and fostering vocations belongs to every member of the Christian community. One of the simplest ways of exercising this responsibility is to recognize and affirm those among us whom the Lord may be calling to priesthood, religious life or the diaconate. The "Called by Name" program invites you to prayerfully consider putting forth the names of those 17 years of age and older whom you think may have a vocation. The following questions may be helpful in assisting you to nominate individuals.

- Does the person attend the Sunday celebration of the Eucharist with reverence? Do you think that a commitment to a daily life of prayer is important to this person?
- Does the person relate well to others and display an interest in the welfare of others, especially those in need? Is the person involved in a parish ministry or some service to the community?
- Does the person possess leadership qualities? Does the person have the intelligence and good health necessary to serve as a leader?
- Does the person exhibit good moral character and serve as a role model for others?