

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

FROM: YOU CAT
Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

Man the Creature

60. Why is Jesus the greatest example in the world?

Jesus Christ is unique because he shows us not only God's true nature but also the true ideal of man. [358-359, 381]

Jesus was more than an ideal man. Even seemingly ideal men are sinners. That is why no man can be the measure of humanity. Jesus, however, was without sin. We cannot know what it means to be a man, and what makes man infinitely loveable in the truest sense of the world, except in Jesus Christ, who "in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sinning" (Heb 4:15). Jesus, the Son of God, is the authentic, true man. In him we recognize how God willed man to be.

61. In what does the equality of all men consist?

All men are equal inasmuch as they have the same origin in the one creative love of God. All men are destined to find their happiness and their eternal blessedness in God. [360-361]

Hence all men are brothers and sisters. Christians should practice solidarity not only with other Christians but with everyone and forcefully oppose racist, sexist, and economic divisions in the one human family. 280, 517

62. What is the soul?

The soul is what makes every individual person a man: his spiritual life-principle and inmost being. The soul causes the material body to be a living human body. Through his soul, man is a creature who can say "I" and stand before God as an irreplaceable individual. [362-365, 382]

Men are bodily and spiritual creatures. A man's spirit is more than a functional of his body and cannot be explained in terms of man's material composition. Reason tells us that there must be a spiritual principle that is united with the body but not identical to it. We call it the "soul". Although the soul's existence cannot be "proved" scientifically, man cannot be understood as a spiritual or intellectual being without accepting this spiritual principle that transcends matter. 153-154, 163

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 15, 2012

Today is the **Divine Mercy Sunday**.
After the 12 noon Mass, the Divine Mercy Chaplet
will be sang in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord.
Benediction will follow.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 14:

5:00 pm +Manuelpillai Bathaser
+Marie Rebello
+Aubrey George
+Fred Balasingham
+Manuel Sr. & Felisa Tan
+Rafael Atizado

In Thanksgiving of Emmanuel & Jhean Mascoll
In Thanksgiving of Rita Benedict

Sunday April 15:

9:00 am +Felix & Rosie D'Souza

10:30 am +Nena Agudan

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday April 16:

9:00 am Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday April 17:

9:00 am +Manuel & Mariquinha de Souza

Wednesday April 18:

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Mark & Karl Atienza

Thursday April 19:

9:00 am +In Honour of the Infant Jesus

Friday April 20:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Alcantara Family

Saturday April 21:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

Please Pray for:

- **the Confirmation Candidates** who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on April 19, 2012 at 7:00 pm
- **the First Holy Communion Candidates** who will be receiving Our Lord for the first time on May 6, 2012 at 3:00 pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

every Friday starting with Mass at 9:30 am
and concluded with Benediction and Mass at 7:30 pm

April 15, 2012

**Legion of Mary Patrician Meeting
Saturday April 28, 2012**

The Legion of Mary invites St. Aidan Parishioners to attend their 2nd Patrician meeting in the parish hall from 10:00 am - 12 noon.

The purpose of a "Patrician" meeting is to increase our knowledge of the true Catholic faith and enable us to confidently evangelize the Gospel of Our Lord.

Our topic will be: Salvation History; Redemption Part 2
You are welcome to come and see, listen, learn and participate during the discussion period.

The Legion of Mary will conduct 4 Patrician meetings in 2012, in our parish hall on the Last Saturday of the following months: Jan 28th, April 28th, July 28th and Oct. 27th from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.

We welcome everyone to join us and let's grow together in knowledge of our faith.

The Knights of Columbus Annual National March for Life (against abortion) takes place in Ottawa on May 10, 11 & 12 this year.

In solidarity with them our St. Aidan Knights will sell lapel (embroidered) roses during the weekends of April 28/29 and again on May 5/6. Please support our Knights. Please pray for mothers in difficult situations. May our Lady of Guadalupe (Patron Saint of the Knights) protect the unborn.

"Blood. It's in you to give."

The Knights of Columbus - St Aidan Council is sponsoring a Blood Drive at St. Aidan Church on Saturday June 2, 2012 from 11am to 3pm. Please call Canadian Blood Services at 1 888 2 DONATE for complete eligibility requirements and to book an appointment. Give the gift of life!

NOTE: A donor must wait at least 8 weeks between donations, therefore we ask regular donors to please donate before April 5th to be eligible to participate at our June 2nd Blood Drive!

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Tel: 416-821-1319

www.svdptoronto.org

We can experience the fullness of the Easter joy when we meet and see the face of the Lord in the poor and the needy. Standing in the light of the risen Lord, let us rededicate ourselves in helping our neighbour-in-need.

Poor Box collection for March 2012: \$1075.50

SHARELIFE

Working Wonders for People Locally and Around the World

Because of ShareLife, everyone in our region has access to a Catholic Family Services counseling office, regardless of their background. Housebound seniors receive care from Society of Sharing volunteers. ShareLife helps our brothers and sisters overseas through Development & Peace, Canadian Food for Children and the Pastoral Mission Fund. Immigrants and refugees are helped through Catholic Cross-Cultural Services and the Office for refugees. Priests, deacons and religious workers are trained with ShareLife support at Serra House, Redemptoris Mater and St. Augustine's seminaries. With ShareLife, our community is a brighter, happier and safer place for us all.

2nd ShareLife collection - April 29, 2012

Please give generously. You can work WONDERS!

Holy Thursday collection for the Poor was \$ 822.00

Good Friday collection for the Needs of the Catholic Church in the Holy Land was \$ 3,070.00

**The Catholic Women's League of Canada
St. Aidan Council, Project Challenge!**

Please support this CWL Program for the Sisters of Life by donating new or nearly new baby linens, baby clothes, maternity clothes, and toiletries for mums and babies. There will be boxes placed in the foyer on the weekend of April 21st and 22nd, 2012 for your donations.

Thank You for your Support!

Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG)

We would like to remind everyone that you may sign up for pre-authorized giving anytime of the year. 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 Toronto Archdiocese and we want to make PAG available to all parishioners who would like to take advantage of it. This is a very convenient way to support your parish even in your absence.

Forms can be picked up at the gift shop and placed in the collection basket or brought to the parish office. Please be assured all information is strictly confidential.