

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

FROM: YOU CAT
Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

Man the Creature

65. What about people who feel they are homosexual?

The Church believes that, in the order of creation, man and woman are designed to need each other's complementary traits and to enter into a mutual relationship so as to give life to children. That is why homosexual practices cannot be approved by the Church. Christians owe all persons respect and love, however, regardless of their sexual orientation, because all people are respected and loved by God. [2358-2359]

There is no man on earth who is not descended from a union of a mother and a father. Therefore it is a painful experience for many homosexuality oriented people that they do not feel erotically attracted to the opposite sex and necessarily miss out on the physical fruitfulness of the union between man and woman according to human nature and the divine order of creation. Nevertheless, God often leads souls to himself along unusual paths: a lack, a loss, or a wound - if accepted and affirmed - can become a springboard for throwing oneself into the arms of God: the God who brings good out of everything and whose greatness can be discovered in redemption even more than in creation. 415

66. Was it part of God's plan for men to suffer and die?

God does not want men to suffer and die. God's original idea for man was paradise: life forever and peace between God and man and their environment, between man and woman. [374-379, 384, 400]

Often we sense how life ought to be, how we ought to be, but in fact we do not live in peace with ourselves, act out of fear and uncontrolled emotions, and have lost the original harmony that man had with the world and ultimately with God. In Sacred Scripture the experience of this alienation is expressed in the story of the Fall. Because sin crept in, Adam and Eve had to leave paradise, in which they were in harmony with each other and with God. The toil of work, suffering, mortality, and the temptation to sin are signs of this loss of paradise.

"VOCATION SEEDS"

This is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The world needs leaders with courage and integrity. The Church needs good leaders as well, leaders who will unselfishly care for the needs of God's people and minister to them. If you feel God is calling you to priesthood, religious life or diaconate,

Call Fr. Hansoo 416 968 0997

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday April 28:

5:00 pm +Undrey Mascoll
+Francis D'Costa
+Magdalena D'Souza
+Fr. Francis Joy Chrysostom
+Sau Chun Sin
+Lolita Padua
+Aurora Gonzales
+Joseph Kenneth De Souza

Deceased Members of Patterson & Nugara Families
Intention of Pacita Esteleydiz

Sunday April 29:

9:00 am +Ida Morra

10:30 am +Angelo & Anne Pereira

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday April 30:

9:00 am All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday May 1:

9:00 am Intention of Pierre Gravesande

Wednesday May 2:

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Alcantara Family

Thursday May 3:

9:00 am +Anita Cayao

Friday May 4:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Blanche Fernandes

Saturday May 5:

9:00 am +Fr. Francis Joy Chrysostom

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

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

Please Pray for:

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

April 29, 2012

LIVING ROSARY

Saturday May 5, 2012 at 4:00 pm

The Legion of Mary invites everyone to join them in celebrating the month of Mother Mary with Living Rosary, Presentation of Flowers and the Crowning of Our Lady.

Welcome to Rev. Fr. Anthony Gramlich of the Congregation of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception of the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Eden Hill, Stockbridge, Massachusetts, USA. He will be visiting our parish the weekend of May 12th and 13th to celebrate the 5:00 pm Mass followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Praises, Benediction and Blessing. At Sunday Masses he will do the Homily about the Divine Mercy as revealed to Saint Faustina.

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 (by appointment only!) Please call Canadian Blood Services at 1 888 2 DONATE for complete eligibility requirements and to book an appointment. Give the gift of life!

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.

SHARELIFE

Working Wonders with Dignity and Respect for Others ...

As the annual charitable appeal of the Catholic community in our diocese, ShareLife supports a large family of Catholic agencies that truly do feed, clothe and shelter people, befriend the isolated and lonely, and care for the sick and frail. They guide and counsel the troubled, protect the vulnerable, visit people in prison and give a voice to the voiceless. ShareLife agencies meet people where they are, whatever their religious beliefs or personal background, treating them with the dignity and respect we all deserve.

- Cardinal Thomas C. Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

Today is ShareLife Sunday

Please give generously. You can work WONDERS!

A second collection will be taken up after Holy Communion at all Masses this weekend

We are excited about the opportunity to have a generous parishioner in the Archdiocese of Toronto come forward to match all new or increased gifts to the campaign this year, up to a total of \$650,000.

The realization of this challenge will mean increased resources will be allocated toward the work of our agencies. We are already experiencing new and increased gifts as a result of this opportunity.

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The Good Shepherd reminds us that only love can draw the circle that includes everyone.

We can be true followers of Jesus’ message by reaching out to the people who ask us for help, people who depend on us for their material and spiritual needs. Your contribution to the POOR BOX every Sunday, helps to build this relationship.

Please use SVP donation envelopes available at the back of the Church. Please deposit your donation envelope in the “POOR BOX” on your way out of the Church. God bless you and your kind generosity.