

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM: YOU CAT
Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

How We Celebrate the Mysteries of Christ

181. Why are there so many signs and symbols in the liturgies?

God knows that we men are not only spiritual but also bodily creatures; we need signs and symbols in order to perceive and describe spiritual or interior realities. [1145 - 1152]

Whether it is red roses, a wedding ring, black clothing, graffiti, or AIDS armbands - we always express our interior realities through signs and are understood immediately. The incarnate Son of God gives us human signs in which he is living and active among us: bread and wine, the water of Baptism, the anointing with the Holy Spirit. Our response to God's sacred signs instituted by Christ consists in signs of reverence: genuflecting, standing while listening to the Gospel, bowing, folding our hands. And as though for a wedding we decorate the place of God's presence with the most beautiful things we have: flowers, candles, and music. In any case, signs also require words to interpret them.

182. Why do sacred signs of the liturgy need words, too?

Celebrating the LITURGY means encountering God; allowing him to act, listening to him, responding to him. Such dialogues are always expressed in gestures and words. [1153 - 1155, 1190]

Jesus spoke to men through signs and words. So it is in the CHURCH, also, when the priests offers the gifts and says, "This is my Body This is my Blood....." Only these interpreting words of Jesus cause the signs to become sacraments: signs that bring about what they signify.

"VOCATION SEEDS"

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Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled by God and overflowing. Can you let go? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416-968-0997

THE VALUE OF SUFFERING

When God permits suffering it is for our betterment.

In order to go to heaven, we must suffer. Our Lord shows us the way in the person of Simon the Cyrenian ; He calls His friend to carry His cross after Him.

- St. John Vianney

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday September 7:

5:00 pm +Sebastiao Braganza
+Frankie Noronha & Floyed D'Souza
+Joel Rosales
+Maria D'Souza
+Frank De Matas
+Ignatius Pinto
+Felix & John Arokattill
In Honour of St. Anthony
Intentions of all Legion of Mary Members

Sunday September 8:

9:00 am In Honour of Blessed Frederick Ozanam
10:30 am +Chung-Hon & Pui-Ching Ngan
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday September 9:

9:00 am +Vincent D'Andrea

Tuesday September 10:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Angelica Romilla

Wednesday September 11:

7:30 pm +Armando Di Bello

Thursday September 12:

9:00 am +Jose & Teresa Garin

Friday September 13:

9:30 am **NO MASS**

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family

Saturday September 14:

9:00 am Celebrant Intention

**No 9:30 am Mass
or Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
on Fridays during the month of September**

**Mass and Adoration
will resume on Friday October 4, 2013**

**The path of the virtues is like the light of dawn,
its brightness growing to the fullness of day.**

-Proverbs 4:18

SEPTEMBER 8, 2013

LIVING ROSARY

Today Sunday 8th of September after the 12 noon Mass, the Legion of Mary invites everyone to join in the celebration of Our Mother Mary's Birthday with a Living Rosary and presentation of flowers followed by refreshment and cutting of cake in the hall.

YEAR OF FAITH

St Aidan's Youth Group will be hosting the 5th Faith Session of our parish in celebration of the Year of Faith on Saturday September 21st at 10:00 am to 12:00 noon. The guest speaker, Bernadette Francavilla will speak on the **New Evangelization**. Bernadette is the Youth Minister at St. John Vianney Parish in Barrie. She has been a Youth Minister for 7 years and runs Life Teen and Edge Programs inviting hundreds of youth to explore their faith in a fun environment. Registration will take place after Masses this weekend September 7th & 8th for \$2.00. Refreshment will be provided

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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Let us celebrate the birthday of our Blessed Virgin Mary. We implore her intercession for world peace. Today is also the day our Founder, Blessed Frederic Ozanam died in 1853 at the age of 40. May we always strive to follow in his footsteps.

SVP collections for June was \$1,248.13 and for July \$928.33.

Bundle Up Weekend is on September 14th/15th. The truck will be in the Church parking lot all weekend. Please bring your gently used clothing and household linens and deposit in the truck. Please tie your donation bags for easier handling. Thank you for your continued support.

No furniture, mattresses or appliances accepted!

BAKE SALE

The CWL St Aidan Council will have their Annual Bake Sale on Saturday September 21st & Sunday September 22nd after all Masses. We need your support to continue helping the Church as well as different organizations that needed help.

25TH ANNIVERSARY SOUVENIR BOOKLETS are now available. You can get a copy (one per family) from the gift shop.

25TH ANNIVERSARY SOUVENIR MUGS are also available from the gift shop for \$5.00 each.

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYERS

Intentions for the month of September

General: Value of Silence - That people today, often overwhelmed by noise, may rediscover the value of silence and listen to the voice of God and their brothers and sisters.

Mission: Persecuted Christians - That Christians suffering persecution in many parts of the world may by their witness be prophets of Christ's love.

ROSARY SUNDAY

Parishioners and friends who are joining us to Martyr Shrine, Midland for Rosary Sunday on Sunday September 15, 2013, please be at St. Aidan Church at 8:00 am. Our coach will leave 8:30 sharp. Lunch on your own.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM

The 2013 Marriage Preparation Program will commence on October 19, 2013. Please note that this program is held once a year; therefore couples planning to marry by December 2014 must register for it. For more information, kindly contact Aggie Gomez at 416-292-5707.

SUPPORT FOR RECENTLY SEPARATED OR DIVORCED CATHOLICS

Catholic Family Services of Toronto is offering a 10 week group program for adult men and women coping with the many struggles involved in the process of separation and divorce. Group participants will receive support and guidance as they move through this difficult period of transition. The group will run on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 beginning September 24th at our Central Office, 1155 Yonge Street (Summerhill Subway Station). For further information, **please contact Ian Singer at 416-921-1163.**

Life isn't about finding yourself.

Life is about creating yourself.

- George Bernard Shaw-