

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

FROM: YOUCAT
Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Seven Sacraments of the Church

The Sacraments of Healing
The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

242. Why should the Church take special care of the sick?

Jesus shows us: Heaven suffers with us when we suffer. God even wants to be rediscovered in “the least of these my brethren” (Mt 25:40). That is why Jesus designated care of the sick as a central task for his disciples. He commands them, “Heal the sick” (Mt 10:8), and he promises them divine authority: “In my name they will cast out demons;... they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover” (Mk 16:17-18). [1506-1510]

One of the distinctive characteristics of Christianity has always been that the elderly, the sick, and the needy are central to it. Mother Teresa, who cared for those who were dying in the gutters of Calcutta, is only one in a long series of Christian women and men who have discovered Christ precisely in those who were marginalized and avoided by others. When Christians are really Christian, a healing influence goes out from them. Some even have the gift of healing others physically in the power of the Holy Spirit (the charism of healing, Charism).

243. For whom is the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick intended?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick can be received by any Catholic whose health is in a critical state. [1514 - 1515, 1528 - 1529]

One can receive the Anointing of the Sick several times in one's life. Therefore it makes sense for young people to ask for this sacrament also, if, for example, they are about to undergo a serious operation. On such occasions many Catholics combine the Anointing of the Sick with a (general) confession; in case the operation fails, they want to go meet God with a clear conscience.

“VOCATION SEEDS”

“But the one who drinks of the water that I will give will never be thirsty.” Do you thirst to know where God is leading you? Could you be thirsty for an understanding of your purpose? If God is calling you to the priesthood or consecrated life,

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Novalis “Living With Christ” missals for the month of April are available in the gift shop for \$ 3.50 each.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday March 22:

5:00 pm +Edgar Dino
+Franca Cuda
+Bradley Fernandes
+Peter De Souza
+Manuel Martinez
+Colin & Debbie Da Vilar
+Gabina Sunga Fajardo
+Roberta Despa
+Maria Olivo
Deceased Members of Lobo & Serrao Families

Sunday March 23:

9:00 am +Ellen Loo

10:30 am +Anita Caayao

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday March 24:

9:00 am +Gabriel De Souza

Tuesday March 25:

9:00 am Intention of Emelina Nonato

Wednesday March 26:

7:30 pm +Flora & Peter Serrao

Thursday March 27:

9:00 am +Megelyn Sumayo

Friday March 28:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Eddie Sanchez

Saturday March 29:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
on Fridays starting with Mass at 9:30 am and
concluded with Benediction and Mass at 7:30 pm.

Consider how the lilies grow.
They do not labor or spin.
Yet I tell you,
not even Solomon in all his
splendor was dressed like one of these.
Luke 12:27

MARCH 23, 2014

Income Tax Receipts for the year 2013
are available for pick - up in the gift shop.

The Youth Group will be having an introductory night for new members on **Thursday, March 27th** in the Knights of Columbus room. There will be an invigorating discussion, a game, and pizza! Please come and join us! Those who are in grade 8 and up are welcome.

DAYS OF COFESSIONS Wednesday April 9, 2014

“Jesus in the confessional is not a dry cleaner: it is an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us as we are. Is going to confession like a torture session? No! It is going to praise God, because I, a sinner, have been saved by Him. And is He waiting to beat me? No, he waits with tenderness to forgive me. And if tomorrow I do the same? Go again, and go and go and go. He always waits for us.” Pope Francis
On Wednesday April 9, 2014, we will be having a Day of Confessions throughout the Archdiocese. Confessions at our parish will be available at: 10:00am - 12:00pm and 3:00pm - 7:00pm.

Our Grade 2 pupils from both schools will have their **First Confession** on Wednesday April 2, 2014 at 9:30 am in St. Aidan Church.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT

Refresh and rekindle your love for each other by treating yourselves to a marriage enrichment weekend at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, or give a weekend as a gift to family or friends. The Centre offers comfort, excellent cuisine and an inspiring program. The next weekend is April 11-13, 2014. For information telephone: 905 278 5229.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

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In order to truly appreciate and value the people around us - **especially our less fortunate brethren**, we must let go our sense of self-importance, deny ourselves and help others more.

During this time of Lent, let us make an **‘extra effort’** to help and support our **neighbour-in-need**. Any contribution to the **POOR BOX**, will be of immense help.

SHARELIFE

Working wonders in our community

Last year Mary Centre received a call to assist Robert, a client, when they learned that his sister Theresa, who lived with him, had collapsed and was rushed to the hospital. Due to a previous connection with Robert and Theresa, the agency was able to respond quickly. Mary Centre’s respite facility at St. Bernard’s is often fully booked a few months in advance but other families were supportive and changed their plans to accommodate this situation. Robert stayed at Mary Centre for 3 weeks until Theresa was able to return home and take care of him. He continues to come to St. Bernard’s at least once a month where he has felt welcome and has made friends. Robert and Theresa take comfort in knowing that Mary Centre was there for them. Theresa shared, “To know Mary Centre is to know people who are kind, considerate and thoughtful; thank you for all you’ve have done for my brother and me.” Last year, over 1,800 people with special needs received assistance from ShareLife - supported agencies.

Next Sunday is ShareLife Sunday - March 30, 2014
Please give generously. You can work wonders!

Ching Ming Chinese Remembrance Mass 2014

The 2014 Ching Ming Chinese Remembrance Mass will be held in the **Holy Family Mausoleum at Holy Cross Catholic Cemetery in Thornhill** on **April 5, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.** The Mass is organized by Catholic Cemeteries - Archdiocese of Toronto which is held in Cantonese and Mandarin with support of the four Chinese parishes. For further details, please see the poster at the foyer.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS **2014 Annual Charities Raffle**

Tickets: \$5.00 each

Prizes: 10 Cash Prizes (including one \$250,000 prize)
999 Prizes consisting of electronics and pre-paid Credit cards

Draw Date: May 31, 2014 at 10:00 am
The Holiday Inn - Toronto International Airport
970 Dixon Road, Toronto, Ontario

Recipient: Arthritic Society Ontario Division

Tickets will be available in the foyer after all weekend Masses.