

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

**The Seven Sacraments of the Church**  
**The Sacrament of Holy Orders**

257. Is it demeaning to women that only men may receive the sacrament of Holy Orders?

**The rule that only men may receive Holy Orders in no way demeans women. In God's sight, man and woman have the same dignity, but they have different duties and charisms. The Church sees herself as bound by the fact that Jesus chose men exclusively to be present at the Last Supper for the institution of the priesthood. Pope John Paul II declared in 1994 "that the Church has no authority whatsoever to confer priestly ordination on women and that this judgment is to be definitively held by all the Church's faithful".**

Like no one else in antiquity, Jesus provocatively affirmed the value of women, bestowed his friendship on them, and protected them. Women were among his followers, and Jesus highly valued their faith. Moreover, the first witness to the Resurrection was a woman. That is why Mary Magdalene is called "the apostle of the Apostles". Nevertheless, the ordained priesthood (and consequently pastoral ministry) has always been conferred on men. In male priests the Christian community was supposed to see a representation of Jesus Christ. Being a priest is a special service that also makes demands on a man in his gender-specific role as male and father. It is, however, not some form of masculine superiority over women. As we see in Mary, women play a role in the Church that is no less central than the masculine role, but it is feminine. Eve became the mother of all the living (Gen 3:20). As "mother of all the living", women have special gifts and abilities. Without their sort of teaching, preaching, charity, spirituality, and guidance, the Church would be "paralyzed on one side". Whenever men in the Church use their priestly ministry as an instrument of power or do not allow opportunities to women, they offend against charity and the Holy Spirit of Jesus. 64

**"VOCATION SEEDS"**

The Good Shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them. Is He asking you to help others to find Him? Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, and religious life, especially for our archdioceses, that God will raise up good shepherds in our midst. If God is calling you,

**contact Fr. Hansoo Park 416 968 0997**  
**email: [vocations@vocations.ca](mailto:vocations@vocations.ca)**  
**[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday May 10:**

5:00 pm +Laurence & Philomena Rodrigues  
+David Chin Fatt  
+Hilda Crasto  
+Antonio Caayao  
+Julita Nieves Pagaduan  
Deceased Members of Patterson & Nugara Families  
Intention of Lam Family

**Sunday May 11:**

9:00 am +Rose Cusimano  
  
10:30 am +Edel Quinn  
  
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

**Monday May 12:**

9:00 am +Anthony Fernandes

**Tuesday May 13:**

9:00 am +Pierre Mathias

**Wednesday May 14:**

7:30 pm +Linda Mendes

**Thursday May 15:**

9:00 am +Edgar & Susan Pinto

**Friday May 16:**

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention  
  
7:30 pm +Julian Vasquez Sr.

**Saturday May 17:**

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

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

**Novalis "Living with Christ"** for the month of June are available from the gift shop at \$ 3.50 each.

**Entrust yourself to God,**  
**as a child would entrust**  
**himself to his father.**  
**He will never let you fall.**  
**(MB)**

May 11, 2014

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**MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER and BLESSING**

Loving God,  
as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children,  
so you watch over your Church.  
Bless these women,  
that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers.  
Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.  
Grant that we, their sons and daughters,  
may honour them always  
with a spirit of profound respect.  
Grant this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

**Grant eternal rest to all departed mothers.**

**ROSES FOR MOTHER'S DAY**

will be available after all Masses today, May 10th and 11th  
at a minimal cost. Members of the Knights of Columbus, St.  
Aidan Council will be in at hand in the foyer to help you.

**Remember to give your Mom roses today!**

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS  
MAY 11**

On the fourth Sunday of Easter, Christians are invited to  
reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for voca-  
tions. Christ the Good Shepherd continues to lead his people  
through his bishops, priests, and deacons, and calls many to  
follow him in this way. Priestly, diaconal, and religious vo-  
cations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's  
people throughout the year.

**Only good things come from God's hands.  
He never gives you more than you can bear.  
Every burden prepares you for eternity. (MB)**

**SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

**Tel: 647 772 1319                      www.svdptoronto.org**

It's that time of the year....**Yes... The Summer Camps!!**  
**Marygrove Camp: for Girls ages 5 - 13**

**Camp Ozanam: for Boys ages 6 - 13**

**(These Camps are for the less fortunate children)**

Registration will take place after all Masses on **May 10th—  
11th**. Please meet the SVP Members who will be in the  
foyer for registration.

**SHARELIFE**

Men who have responded to God's call to dedicate their  
lives to His service come from all walks of life. Those who  
enter the priesthood come from different ages and back-  
grounds, economic situations, skill sets, and ethnic commu-  
nities. At ShareLife-funded agencies such as Serra House,  
Redemptoris Mater, and St. Augustine's Seminary, they un-  
dergo extensive theological education and practical field  
training. Through ShareLife, you are helping sustain the vo-  
cations for priesthood and inspire discernment for God's  
call. Last year ShareLife helped support over 70 priests and  
seminarians in their formation studies.

**Next ShareLife Sunday - June 1, 2014**  
**Please give generously. You can work wonders!**

**SHARELIFE 19TH ANNUAL  
CORPORATE GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
**You can work wonders!**

**Monday June 9, 2014**  
Shotgun Start 12:30 pm  
Markland Wood Golf Club, Etobicoke  
Fees: \$385 per golfer        \$1540 per foursome

Proceeds will benefit ShareLife-funded  
social services agencies

For more information, please call:  
Idalette Martins: 416.934.3400 ext. 526  
Harry McAvoy: 416.934.3400 ext.553  
[www.sharelife.org/golf](http://www.sharelife.org/golf)

**THE CATHOLIC GIRLS LEAGUE**

The Catholic Girls League is for girls aged 10 - 16.  
Our Motto is "**Faith, Friendship, Fun and Formation**"

The Catholic Women's League (CWL) of St. Aidan's Parish  
invites mothers and daughters to a get-together on Saturday  
May 17, 2014 at 10:00 am. This event will take place in the  
Church hall so as to discuss various fun activities that occur  
both inside and outside the Church.

Those interested are asked to contact either:  
Gwyneth Faustin: 416 754 3949  
Naomi Patterson: 416 493 0963

or to leave their names and contact numbers at the Church  
office.