

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FROM: YOU CAT

Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church The Ten Commandments

The Sixth Commandment: You shall not commit adultery.

409. Is masturbation an offense against love?

Masturbation is grave offense against love, because it makes the excitement of sexual pleasure an end in itself and uncouples it from the holistic unfolding of love between a man and a woman. That is why “sex with yourself” is a contradiction in terms. [2352]

The Church does not demonize masturbation, but she warns against trivializing it. In fact many young people and adults are in danger of becoming isolated in their consumption of lewd pictures, films, and Internet services instead of finding love in a personal relationship. Loneliness can lead to a blind alley in which masturbation becomes an addiction. Living by the motto “For sex I do not need anyone; I will have it myself, however and whenever I need it” makes nobody happy.

410. What is meant by “fornication”?

Fornication (from Greek porneia) originally meant pagan sexual practice, for instance, temple prostitution. Later the term was applied to all forms of sexual activity outside of marriage. Today in English it generally refers to consensual sexual relations between an unmarried man and an unmarried woman. [2353]

Fornication is often based on seduction, lies, violence, dependency, and abuse. Fornication is therefore a serious offense against charity; it harms the dignity of the person and fails to recognize the meaning of human sexuality. Civil authorities have the duty to protect minors especially from fornication.

N.B. Both masturbation and fornication are serious sins.

The following are available in the Gift Shop

- 2016 Sunday Missal for \$5.00 each
- Toronto Pro Life Christmas Cards (10 cards/pk.) \$7.00/pk.
- Christmas Ornaments at \$5.00 and \$1.00 each
- Life Coalition Christmas Cakes:
Small: \$15.00 each Tin: \$25.00 each
- Catholic Mission in Canada 2016 Calendar at \$5.00 each

ARTICLES FROM THE HOLY LAND

will be available next weekend December 5/6 after all Masses in the foyer.

We should speak, then, as the Holy Spirit gives us the gift of speech.

- Saint Anthony of Padua -

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: December 5:

5:00 pm +Fr. Joseph Fenech
+Claudine Rodrigues
+Tristram Patterson
+Jeanne-Marie Nielsen
+Anthony Gerard De Souza
Intention of Domenic & family
In Thanksgiving of Susan
In Thanksgiving of Joseph Lins Family
In Thanksgiving of Nagendran Family
Birthday Blessings for Monique Samantha Mascoll

Sunday December 6:

9:00 am +Vincent & Antonietta

10:30 am In Thanksgiving of Vicente Atienza

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday December 7:

9:00 am +Hilda Mathias

Tuesday December 8:

9:00 am Intention of Mabbayad Family

7:30 pm Celebrant's Intention

Wednesday December 9:

7:30 pm +Sebastiao Braganca

Thursday December 10:

9:00 am +Rene Mabbayad

Friday December 11:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm Intention of Michael Leung

Saturday December 12:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
on Fridays starts with Mass at 9:30 am and
concludes with Benediction at 7:00 pm**

WEDDING BANNS

There is a promise of marriage between:
Tumpa Sarker and Austin Sarker

SANCTUARY LAMP

Intention of Mervyn

December 6, 2015

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYERS

Intentions for December

Universal: Experiencing God's mercy - That all may experience the mercy of God, who never tires of forgiving.

Evangelization: Family - That families, especially those who suffer, may find in the birth of Jesus a sign of certain hope.

TAIZE SERVICE

will be held in our Parish today Second Sunday of Advent December 6, 2015 at 7:00 pm.

The service will consist of Taize songs, meditation, prayers of the faithful and Veneration of the Cross.

EVERYONE IS INVITED

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATION CONCEPTION

on Tuesday December 8, 2015 will be celebrated with a Living Rosary at 6:30 pm followed by Mass at 7:30 pm. The Legion of Mary invites everyone to join in the celebration.

Masses at 9:00 am and 7:30 pm

THANK YOU

The CGL St. Aidan Council thanks all parishioners and the CWL Ladies who donated cash and baked goods for the Bake Sale. We raised \$558.50 and the proceeds were given to St. Aidan Parish 'Project Hope' Refugee Sponsorship

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During this season of hope, let us remember our less fortunate brethren, who wait in anticipation for our help and kind generosity.

The SVP Christmas donation envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Would appreciate your special gift to make Christmas joyful for our neighbor-in-need.

This is Bundle Up Weekend: The SVP truck will be in the parking lot. Please support the SVP Program by bringing in your gently used woollens and household linens. Look forward for your support.

Mary Queen of Peace, we entrust our lives to you. Inspire us to act justly, to revere all God has made. Root peace firmly in our hearts and in our world. Amen.

- Saint John Paul II -

YEAR OF MERCY

will start December 8, 2015 & will end November 20, 2016

The Holy Father has instituted this as a jubilee year for us and he's allowed us to have Holy Doors in our local diocese throughout the world.

Traditionally the Holy Door represents the passage to salvation as well as the entryway to God's mercy.

Mercy is "the bridge that connects God and humanity, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness," wrote Pope Francis in *Misericordia Vultus* (The Face of Mercy) instituting the Year of Mercy.

DAY OF CONFESSIONS

Wednesday December 16, 2015

10:00 am - 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm - 8:30 pm

"Jesus in the confessional is not a dry cleaner; it is an encounter with Jesus, who waits for us just 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

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHEDRAL OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday December 8th /Wednesday December 9th, 2015

10:00 am - 7:00 pm

With a prayer service each day at 12 noon each day You will have opportunity to participate in a sneak preview of the restoration progress.

WIN GREAT PRIZES!

It is time once again for the Friars' Student Writing Award. Students aged 14 - 18 are invited to write a five hundred - word essay on the theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, celebrated January 18-25, 2016. The Theme for this coming year is "**Called to proclaim the mighty acts of God.**" (1 Peter 2:9). Students should read the Scripture passage 1 Peter 2:1-10 and respond to the following statement in the essay: Despite division in Christian unity, explain why all Catholics, Orthodox, Anglicans and Protestants should still be considered a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people.

Essays will be edited and published in the Catholic Register. Deadline for entries is **January 8, 2016**. E-mail your essay to editor@catholicregister.org or FAX it to 416 934 3409 (please include your full name, email address, phone number, and the name of your school on the front page of the essay). For further information call 416 934 3400, ext. 344 or 416 934 3410 ext. 404 or 1 855 441 4077.

Don't miss this opportunity!