

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FROM: YOU CAT

Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church The Ten Commandments

The Sixth Commandment: You shall not commit adultery.

411. Why is prostitution a form of fornication?

In prostitution “love” becomes a commodity and the person is degraded to an object of pleasure. That is why prostitution is a serious offense against human dignity and a serious sin against charity. [2355]

Certainly those who profit from prostitution - human traffickers, pimps, clients - burden themselves with greater guilt than the women, men, children, and young people who sell their bodies, often under duress or in situations of dependence.

412. Why is the production and consumption of pornography a sin against charity?

Someone who misuses love by detaching human sexuality from the intimacy of a committed, loving relationship between two spouses and turns it into commercial goods sins seriously. Anyone who produces, buys, or consumes pornographic materials violates human dignity and seduces others to sin. [2523]

Pornography is a degenerate form of prostitution, for here too there is the suggestion that man can get “love” for money. Models and actors, producers and distributors are equally involved in this serious offense against charity and human dignity. Anyone who consumes pornographic materials, visits pornographic websites, or participate in pornographic events finds himself in the wider circle of prostitution and supports the dirty, billion-dollar business of selling sex.

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
- Novalis Living with Christ for the month of January 2016 at \$3.50 each

2016 DONATION ENVELOPES

are available in the foyer and are in numerical order. Please take **ONLY** the box with your name on it. Please use these envelopes starting **January 1, 2016**. Please discard your 2015 unused envelopes. For parishioners who wish to use envelopes, please register in the gift shop.

Thank You for your cooperation!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: December 12:

5:00 pm +Clement Benedict
+Guilherme & Esther De Souza
+Evelyn Berenguer
+Nicholas Anton & Antonythus Arul
+Anthony De Souza
+Paul Gilbert
All Souls
Deceased Members of Patterson & Nugara Families
Intention of Vicky Dvorak
Wedding Anniversary of Henry & Ophelia Ng

Sunday December 13:

9:00 am +Lucia & Vince D’Andrea

10:30 am +Leonardo Herrera

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday December 14:

9:00 am +Maria & Rafael Atizado

Tuesday December 15:

9:00 am +Vicente Thang & Anton Hoang

Wednesday December 16:

7:30 pm +Maria & Rafael Atizado

Thursday December 17:

9:00 am +Mary Fernandes

Friday December 18:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention

7:30 pm +Darwin Currie

Saturday December 19:

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 BANNES

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

**God will give either what we ask, or what God knows
to be more profitable to us.
- Saint Bernard of Clairvaux -**

December 13, 2015

JUBILEE OF MERCY IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF TORONTO

The Jubilee of Mercy was announced by Pope Francis as a year to be lived intensely in each local Church throughout the world, allowing every person to encounter the mercy of God. The most evident sign of this pastoral care is the chance to open a Door of Mercy in every diocese. These doors, analogous to the Holy Doors of the Papal Basilicas in Rome, will allow people who cannot travel to Rome to make a Jubilee pilgrimage.

After the solemn inauguration of the Holy Year - marked by the opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica on December 8, 2015 - all locally-designated Churches throughout the world will open their own Doors of Mercy in communion with the Church of Rome as part of the Eucharistic celebration of the Third Sunday of Advent or Gaudete Sunday.

The Holy Father has asked that special indulgences be available for the Faithful throughout the Year of Mercy (December 8, 2015 - November 20, 2016).

How to obtain the Jubilee Indulgence:

For those able to make a pilgrimage to one of the Jubilee churches in Rome, that is certainly an option. Otherwise, Cardinal Collins has designated seven churches within the Archdiocese of Toronto as Jubilee Churches, each with a Holy Door of Mercy. Going through one of these Holy Doors is a spiritual journey that shows, as the Holy Father said, "the deep desire for true conversion."

In addition to passing through a Holy Door, each pilgrim is to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, receive the Holy Eucharist while reflecting on God's great gift of mercy, make a profession of faith (recite either the Apostles' or Nicene Creed), and pray for the Holy Father and for his intentions (an Our Father and a Hail Mary are recommended).

For those who are elderly, confined and the ill, Pope Francis said that they may obtain the indulgence by "living with faith and joyful hope this moment of trial" and by receiving the Eucharist or by attending Mass and community prayer, "even through the various means of communication" (for instance, a Mass offered on television). For those in prison, they may obtain the indulgence in their prison chapels. Indulgences may be obtained for the dead by carrying out of these same acts by the Faithful with the intention of offering the indulgence for someone who is deceased.

And finally, for all Catholics, this jubilee indulgence may also be obtained when a member of the Faithful personally performs a spiritual or corporal work of mercy.

For the designated Churches for the Jubilee with the Holy Door of Mercy in Toronto, please see the poster in the foyer.

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As we celebrate our hearts to receive Jesus in our homes to live the Joy of Christmas, let us also remember our less fortunate brethren in our community. Would appreciate your special gift to make Christmas more joyful for our neighbour-in-need. The SVP Christmas donation envelopes are available at the back of the Church.

Thank you to all those who contributed to the Bundle-up last weekend. A Thank You also to all who did the 'Thunder & Lightning' casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre.

The Poor Box collection for November 2015 was \$2,363.96. Thank You for your support.

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

The life of a Christian should be a perpetual jubilee, a prelude to the festival of eternity.
- Saint Theophane Venard -