FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FROM: <u>YOUCAT</u> <u>Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church</u> The Ten Commandments

The Sixth Commandment: You shall not commit adultery.

413. Why is rape a serious sin?

Someone who rapes another person thoroughly and completely debases that person. He violently breaks into the deepest intimacy of another and wounds the victim at the core of his ability to love. [2356]

The rapist commits an outrage against the very nature of love. An essential part of sexual union is the fact that it is a gift that can only be given freely within the context of love. And so it is possible for rape to occur even within a marriage. The most despicable is rape within social, hierarchical, professional, or familial relationships of dependence, for instance, between parents and children or between teachers, educators, pastors , and those who are entrusted to their protection. 386

414. What does the Church say about condoms to fight AIDS? Apart from the fact that condoms provide no absolutely safe protection against contagion, the Church rejects their use as a one-sided, mechanical method of fighting AIDS epidemics and advocates above all a new culture of human relationships and a change in social consciousness.

Only practicing fidelity and refraining from casual sexual contacts can provide lasting protection from AIDS and teach a holistic approach to love. Respect for the equal dignity of women and men, concern about the health of the family, responsibility in dealing with one's urges and desires, and also refraining (at appropriate times) from sexual union are all part of it. In the countries of Africa where societal campaigns have promoted such behavior, the rates of infection have decreased significantly. Besides that the Catholic Church does all she can to help people who are afflicted with AIDS.

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!

The following are available in the Gift Shop

- 2016 Sunday Missal at \$5.00 each
- Catholic Mission in Canada 2016 Calendar @ \$5.00 each
- Novalis Living with Christ for the month of January 2016 at \$3.50 each

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday: December 19:

- 5:00 pm +James Valladares +Winnie Yates +Nina Correia +Inacio Fernandes +Susana Ng +Basco Rodrigues +Francis & Carlina +Conrada Simpliciano Souls in Purgatory
 - Birthday Blessings for Sheila De Gannes

Sunday December 20:

9:00 am +Eric Hunt

10:30 am +Phenix Augustino Pan & Maria Bui

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday December 21:

9:00 am +Asuncion Jara

Tuesday December 22:

9:00 am +Bradley Fernandes

Wednesday December 23:

7:30 pm +Encarnacion Esquerra

Thursday December 24: Christmas EveNO 9:00 AM MASS8:00 pmCelebrant's Intention12 MidnightCelebrant's Intention

Friday December 25: Christmas Day NO 9:00 AM & 7:30 PM MASSES

10:30 am	Celebrant's Intention
12:00 pm	Celebrant's Intention

Saturday December 26:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

NO ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

on Fridays

December 25, 2015 & January 1, 2016

Wishing You All, the Parishioners

THE PEACE AND JOY OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Fr. Joseph Sultana, Deacon Patrick Chang and Staff

December 20, 2015

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.

THANK YOU FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE

Thank You for your generous support of Project Hope. St. Aidan's parish contribution of \$2, 765.00 will make a tangible difference, as we extend a hand of welcome to those who have fled their homeland under extreme conditions.

On September, in response to the ongoing refugee crises in the world, Cardinal Collins appealed to Catholics and non-Catholics alike to raise \$3 million, mobilize 100 volunteer committees in 100 days and to welcome 100 refugee families as soon as possible. The support of St. Aidan's Parish will help us to reach that goal.

O Lord, help us remember all you have given us through the ages. Let us respond to your unending gift with humility and gratitude. -World Made Flesh 20142015 CHRISTMAS & 2016 NEW YEAR PROGRAMS

CONFESSIONS

Saturday December 19: 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm

Tuesday December 22: 7:30 pm - Penitential Service: it consists of examination of conscience, communal act of contrition and individual confession. Three priests will be available for confessions.

Thursday December 24: 10:00 am to 12:00 noon 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm

MASSES

Thursday December 24: Christmas Eve7:30 pmChristmas Carols8:00 pmMass11:30 pmChristmas Carols12:00 MidnightMass

Friday December 25: Christmas Day 10:30 am and 12 noon NO 9:00 AM MASS

Thursday December 31: New Year's Eve 9:00 am and 5:00 pm

Friday January 1, 2016: New Year's Day 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 noon

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Christmas is a special time of the year. It is even more special for us at St. Aidan's because we share our love and blessings with our **neighbour-in-need.** By your concern and generosity, you bring them the peace and joy of Christmas. Thank you for your support.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul wishes all our Parishioners' a Christmas filled with the love, peace and joy of Baby Jesus.

> Find out how much God has given you and take from it what you need. The remainder, which you do not require, is needed by others. - Saint John Chrysostom -