THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM: <u>YOUCAT</u> <u>Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church</u> Prayer in Christian Life

The Lord's Prayer: The Our Father

513. What structure does the Our Father have?

The Our Father consists of seven petitions to our merciful Father in heaven. The first three petitions relate to God and the right way of serving him. The last four petitions present our basic human needs to our Father in heaven. [2803-2806, 2857]

514. What position does the Our Father hold among prayers? The Our father is "the most perfect prayer" (St. Thomas Aquinas) and the "summary of the whole Gospel (Tertullian). [2761-2772, 2774, 2776]

The Our Father is more than a prayer - it is a path that leads directly into the heart of our Father. The early Christians recited this original prayer of the Church, which is entrusted to every Christian at baptism, three times a day. We, too, should not let a day pass without trying to recite the Lord's Prayer with our lips, to take it to heart, and to make it come true in our lives.

515. Where do we get the confidence to call God "Father"? We can be so bold as to address God as Father because Jesus has called us to a close relationship with himself and made us children of God. In communion with him, "who is the bosom of the Father" (Jn 1:18), we are privileged to cry, "Abba, Father!" [2777-2778, 2797-2800] 37

'VOCATION SEEDS'

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." Are you willing to proclaim the coming of the kingdom as a priest, deacon, brother or sister? If God is calling you,

contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director Archdiocese of Toronto 416 968 0997 email: vocation@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

DRIVERS REQUIRED

Driver/s are required to bring senior parishioners to Church for the 9:00 am Sunday Mass. Please call the office at 416-494-2704 or see Fr. Joseph Sultana.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 21:

5:00 pm +Victoria Gabriel Noronha +Ursula De Castro +Tristram Patterson +Lucrecia Malinao +Clemen & Sharon +Rosie Fernandes Special Intention of Aneet & Dainu In Thanksgiving of Benedict Francis

Sunday January 22:

9:00 am +Pedro & Biatriz Yurong

10:30 am +Savundranayagam

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday January 23: 9:00 am +Philip Badali

Tuesday January 24:

9:00 am +Daisy Navaratham

Wednesday January 25: 7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Claire Blackmore

Thursday January 26: 9:00 am Deceased Members of Dvorak Family

Friday January 27:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Noemi & Generoso Palma

Saturday January 28:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

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

2017 DONATION ENVELOPES

are available in the foyer and are in numerical order. Please take **ONLY** the box with your name on it. **Please discard your 2016 unused envelopes.** For new parishioners who wish to use envelopes, please register in the gift shop. Thank You for your cooperation!

January 22, 2017

PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

Every year, between January 18 (the Feast of Saint Peter) and January 25 (the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul), Christians around the world are invited to celebrate a week of prayer for the unity of all Christians, to reflect on scripture together, to participate in jointly-organized ecumenical services, and to share fellowship.

The theme for the 2017 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is **"Reconciliation - The love of Christ compels us"** (cf. 2 Corinthians 5:14 - 20).

Please pray that all Christian believers will be one.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2017 Ecumenical Prayer Service

Join us in an ecumenical prayer service, led by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins, Chaldean Catholic Bishop Emanuel Shaleta, Coptic Orthodox Bishop Anba Mina, Anglican Suffragan Bishop Peter Fenty, and accompanied by other city-wide religious leaders on:

Sunday January 29, 2017 at 3 p.m., St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica , 65 Bond Street Paid parking is available, refreshments to follow For further information, please contact The Office of Ecumenical and Interfaith Affairs at 416-934-3400 ext. 344 or ext. 527 or vkwok@archtoronto.org

FAMILY OF FAITH CAMPAIGN Which are the priorities of this campaign?

The priorities include:

- Providing financial support to parishes to help ensure growth and sustainability;
- Supporting Catholic education through parish and campus based ministry to keep our youth engaged in an active life of faith;
- Investing in resources that will help all of our clergy grow and be the pastoral leaders we all rely on them to be;
- Ensuring there is a strong Catholic voice in an increasingly secular world;
- Restoring and enhancing the beauty of St. Michael's Cathedral as the mother church of all Catholics in the archdiocese;
- Establishing a new capital fund to provide financing to new churches and to support those parish communities that may be struggling with significant building issues.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT THE PAUL

Tel: 647 772 1319 www.svdtoronto.org "The reward for Christian charity is the joy that one feels after having performed a good deed." - Don Bosco In all the ordinary and the extraordinary things that we do to bring comfort, the hope and joy to the less fortunate in our community, we give witness and thanks to God's love and compassion.

Please use the SVP donation envelopes kept at the back of the Church. May God enrich you in every way for your generosity.

SENIOR MEN'S HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT Saturday February 11, 2017; 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Location: Blessed Sacrament Parish Address: 24 Cheritan Avenue, Toronto, ON M4R 1S4 Deadline for registration is Monday February 6, 2017

For more information and to register: Office of Vocations: vocations@archtoronto.org 416-968-0997 www.vocationstoronto.ca

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Saturday January 28, 2017 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm St. Aidan Church

- Must be in Grade 4 and up
- Serve a minimum of 24 Masses in a year
- Mature to handle Holy Objects
- Maintain silence before, during and after Mass
- Try to walk slowly
- No Registration needed, just show up

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, St Aidan Council Invites you to their Annual VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER & DANCE Saturday February 11, 2017 6:30 pm St. Aidan Church Hall Tickets: \$25.00 per person (Adults & Teens) (includes Dinner, Fabulous Music, Door Prizes and Surprises) Tickets will be available in the foyer this weekend