TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM: <u>DOCAT</u> <u>The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church</u> Together We are Strong - The Church's Social Mission

24. Who determines what the social doctrine of the Church is?

All members of the Church, according to their particular tasks and charisms, participate in the development of social doctrine. The principles of social doctrine have been spelled out in important Church documents. Social doctrine is an official "teachings" of the Church. The Magisterium of the Church meaning the pope and the bishops in communion with him repeatedly instructs the Church and mankind about the requirements for just, peaceful, and social communities.

25. How did the Church's social doctrine come into being?

No one can listen to the Gospel without being challenged socially. The term "social doctrine", however, refers to those statements on social questions that the Church's Magisterium has issued since the Encyclical Rerum Novarum, by Pope Leo XIII. With industrialization in the nineteenth century, an entirely new "social question" emerged. Most people were no longer employed in agriculture but worked in industry, instead. There was no worker protection, no health insurance, no guaranteed vacation time, and very often there was even child labor. Unions were formed to stand up for worker's interests. It was clear for Pope Leo XIII that he had to respond with an extraordinary measure. In his Encyclical Rerum Novarum, he sketched the outline of a just social order. Since then, the popes have responded again and again to the "signs of the times" and have addressed especially urgent social questions in the tradition of Rerum Novarum. The statements that accumulated in this way over time are called the Church's social doctrine. Besides the documents of the Universal Church (i.e., statements by the pope, a council, or the Roman Curia), regional statements, too, for instance the pastoral letters of a bishops' conference on social questions, can be part of the Church's social doctrine.

'VOCATION SEEDS'

"For what will it profit anyone to gain the whole world but forfeit their life?" Isn't there more to life than chasing the dollar? Are you being called to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister? Humbly ask the Lord. If God is calling you

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday September 2:

5:00 pm +Ireneo Cadigal +Socorro Ong +Angeline Laughlin +Alejandra Lanoy +Frank Pezdir In Thanksgiving of Rosario

Sunday September 3:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

10:30 am +Juan Joven

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday September 4: 9:00 am +Keith Gonsalvez

Tuesday September 5: 9:00 am Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday September 6 :

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Timothy Jan Vasquez

Thursday September 7: 9:00 am +Francis Ferrao

Friday September 8:

9:30 am **NO MASS** 7:30 pm +Maria Olga de Souza

Saturday September 9:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

There will be NO 9:30 am MASS or ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT on Fridays in September. 9:30 Mass and Adoration will resume on Friday October 6, 2017

APOSTOLATE OF PRAYERS Intention for the month of September

Evangelization: Parishes - That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen .

When we feel us too bold, remember our feebleness. When we feel too faint, remember Christ's strength. - St. Thomas More -

September 3, 2017

ST. AIDAN PARISH COMMUNITY celebrates the 100TH ANNIVERSARY of the APPARITIONS of Our Blessed Mother and the Miracle of Fatima.

Come and join our 5th Apparition celebration on Wednesday September 13, 2017 with a Living Rosary at 6:45 pm; Mass at 7:30 followed by an outdoor Procession around the Church.

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Friday September 8, 2017

The Legion of Mary invites you to join in celebrating the Feast of the Nativity of Our Blessed Mother. Living Rosary at 6:30 followed by Mass at 7:30.

2017 MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM

will commence Saturday October 28, 2017. Please note that this program is held once a year, hence, couples planning to marry December 2018 can register for it. For more information, kindly contact Aggie Gomez at 416 292 5707

SUNDAY CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

will resume on Sunday September 10, 2017

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Tel: 647 772 1319 www.svdtoronto.org

"Our greatest fulfillment lies in giving ourselves to others" - Henri Nouwen

It is a struggle for some of our neighbours-in-need. When YOU drop a loonie or a toonie into the POOR BOX each week, YOU support the efforts of the Society to serve our neighbour-in-need in our community. Please continue the good work.

The Poor Box collections for June 2017 was \$1,117.76 and for July was \$1, 461.36. Thank you for your kind generosity.

Thank you to all those who contributed to the Bundle-Up Weekend.

THANK YOU

The Altar Servers would like to thank Fr. Sultana, the parishioners and the Knights of Columbus, St. Aidan Council who supported them for a Day at the CNE.

2018 SYNOD OF BISHOPS: YOUNG PEOPLE, THE FAITH AND VOCATIONAL DISCERNMENT

In January of this year, Pope Francis called for a Synod of Bishops to take place in October 2018 on the topic of "Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment". All dioceses, including the Archdiocese of Toronto, have been asked by the Holy Father to provide input which will be used to help draft the **Instrumentum Laboris**, the working paper for the Synod participants.

In order to provide the most accurate and valuable input to the Vatican, we are turning to the young people, and those who work with young people, throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto to gather your thoughts on this subject matter. Your participation in this project is greatly appreciated and we will take all of the input that we receive, collate it, and submit all of our findings to the Vatican.

For more information and how to complete the survey, please refer to: <u>http://www.ocytoronto.org/synod</u>

What is the Synod of Bishops?

The Synod of Bishops is a permanent institution established by Pope Paul V! on September 15, 1965 in response to the desire of the Fathers of the Second Vatican Council to keep alive the positive spirit engendered by the conciliar experience. A Synod is a religious meeting or assembly at which bishops, gathered around and with the Holy Father, interact with each other in order to share information and experiences in search of pastoral solutions which are valid and applicable universally. The word synod is rooted in the Greek "syn" meaning "together" and "hodos" meaning "road" or "way", so the word synod means "coming together". Please contact the Office of Catholic Youth at 416 599 7676 for any questions and assistance needed.

MOVING?

Please remember when you move to let us know, so that we can keep our files up-to-date. Also if you are new in the parish, please register in the gift shop and let your old parish know that you have moved so they too can up-date their records.

Thank You for your Cooperation!

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to Martyrs' Shrine, Midland Saturday September 9, 2017

For those who are coming with us to Midland Shrine next Saturday September 9th please be at St. Aidan Church at 8:00am. Our coach will be leaving 8:30am SHARP!