
FROM: <u>DOCAT</u> <u>The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church</u> Unique and Infinitely Valuable - The Human Person

47. What do we mean when we speak about a person?

With the word "person" we express the fact that every human being has an inviolable dignity. Man was created in God's image (Imago Dei) (Gen 1:27). So he is the one creature of God that represents the Creator himself in creation. He is "the only creature on earth that God willed for its own sake" (GS 24). As a person created by God, a human being is not something, but rather someone and hence uniquely valuable. As a person, a human being capable of self-knowledge and reflection on himself, of making free decisions and entering into community with others. And he is called to respond to God in faith. The fact that he is made in God's image and likeness therefore means also that a human being always remains related to God and can develop his full personal potential only in God.

48. Why is every person a social being?

A human person can survive and develop only with the help of other human beings. Being human entails not only living in a good relationship with God; one must also be very careful to live in good relationships with other people. This begins in the family; it affects one's circle of friends and finally society as a whole. Fundamental for the social dimension of the human person is the fact that we are created as man and woman (Gen 2:23). From the very beginning, man and woman possess the same dignity. In mutual help and complementarity, they cope with their lives. God makes the loving union of man and woman fruitful when it results in a child. This is why the family is the primordial cell of every society.

'VOCATION SEEDS'

"Lord, when was it that we saw you ...?" Have you heard the Lord as well? If God is calling you to serve as a priest, deacon, brother or sister,

contact Fr. Chris Lemeieux, Vocation Director Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997 email: vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

The following items are available in the Gift Shop 2018 Sunday Missal at \$5.00 each

Right to Life Christmas Cards at \$7.00 per pkg of 10

Christmas Cakes: Large- \$25.00/box Small - \$18.00/box

Catholic Missions in Canada 2018 Calendar at \$5.00 each

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday November 25:

5:00 pm +Maria Olga de Souza

+Amando Sr. & Loreto Lanot

+Francesca & Franco Sgambulluri

+Evelyn Berenguer

+Hipolito Cardinas

+Sarojah Perinpanayagam All Souls in Purgatory

Deceased Members of Merin Family

50th Wedding Anniversary of

Sisca Handajani and Soekotjo Santoso

Sunday November 26:

9:00 am +Sagrada Cameron

10:30 am 30th Wedding Anniversary of

Carlos and Elvie Garcia

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday November 27:

9:00 am +Peter Chiu

Tuesday November 28:

9:00 am +Edna

Wednesday November 29:

7:30 pm +Maria Olga de Souza

Thursday November 30:

9:00 am +Benjamin Jr. Hernandez

Friday December 1:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Natalia Enriquez Sebastian

Saturday December 2:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

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

2018 DONATION ENVELOPES

are available in the foyer and are in **numerical order**. Please take **ONLY** the box with your name on it; use these envelopes starting **January 1, 2018 and discard your 2017 unused envelopes**. Parishioners who wish to use donation envelopes, please register in the gift shop.

Thank You for your Cooperation!

CONFIRMATION 2018

A meeting will be held in the Church Hall on **Tuesday November 28, 2017 at 7:00 pm for the parents and son/daughter** who will be making their Confirmation in 2018.

Dates and times of the enrolment, religious instruction classes, retreat etc., will be given. All these are obligatory for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation

DAY OF CONFESSIONS Wednesday December 13, 2017 10:00 am - 2:00 pm 4:00 pm - 8:30 pm

10:00 am - 12:00 pm 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm 6:00 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. He always waits for us."

- Pope Francis -

SHEPHERDS' TRUST

The Shepherds' Trust Collection was \$4,502.00 On behalf of our retired priests, thank you for your support of this important initiative!

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The Lord is King; He is robed in majesty - Psalm 93 Jesus, in His teachings proclaimed the good news of love, compassion, kindness and generosity. We can strive to build His kingdom through our actions.

The **SVP Christmas donation envelopes** are available at the back of the Church. Please remember our neighbour-in-need and make a special gift to make Christmas, joyful to our less fortunate.

Bundle Up Weekend– December 2nd and 3rd, 2017

Please support the SVP program by bringing in your gently used woolen wear, bed linens, draperies and other household items. The SVP container will be in the parking lot on the above dates. Thank You!

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING

"If to Christ our Lord is given all power in heaven and on earth; if all men, purchased by his precious blood, are by a new right subjected to his dominion; if this power embraces all men, it must be clear that not one of our faculties is exempt from his empire. He must reign in our minds, which should assent with perfect submission and firm belief to revealed truths and to the doctrines of Christ. He must reign in our wills, which should obey the laws and precepts of God. He must reign in our hearts, which should spurn natural desires and love God above all things, and cleave to him alone. He must reign in our bodies and in our members, which should serve as instruments for the interior sanctification of our souls, or to use the words of the Apostle Paul, as instruments of justice unto God." - Pope Pius XI, Quas Primas

DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE The Feast of Christ the King is D&P Postcard Sunday! Let's Put Women at the Heart of Peace!

Today our Archbishop, his eminence Thomas Cardinal Collins, has invited us to participate in an archdiocesan wide weekend of action with Development and Peace to put women at the heart of peace. In June 2017 the Minister of International Development presented Canada's new international assistance policy. Despite the policy stating that it is important for Canada to support women around the world who are working for an end to violence and establishing peace, the government did not increase the international aid budget. Instead, they choose to increase the military budget by 70% over 10 years. Please show your support for women working for peace by signing the postcard asking the government to give women the resources they need to be at the Heart of Peace! There is a box at the back of the church, you can deposit your signed postcards in. Thank you for your time and support.

Together, let's take action for peace!

ST. AUGUSTINE'S SEMINARY OF TORONTO

St. Augustine's Seminary's Institute of Theology and Lay Spiritual Formation program presents the following upcoming workshop/retreat:

"Advent Retreat" on December 16, 2017

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