THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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

60. What does the Church say about discrimination against handicapped persons?

As Catholics social doctrine understand it, social justice is achieved when all people in society can participate in the central social, economic, political, and cultural activities in life. Forms of discrimination that exclude people from such participation are an injustice. It is therefore the task of the States and society to create the conditions for ensuring the participation of handicapped persons, also. Ultimately the dignity of the human person does not depend on bodily and intellectual abilities, and the respect due to a person cannot be defined in terms of achievements or efficiency.

61. What does it mean for the human person to belong to a community?

Animals flock together; they form packs or stay in herds - human beings, in contrast, enter into communion. God, who in the depths of his inner life is communion and relationship itself, created them as a special kind of beings-in-relation: deliberately, by free choice, human beings form communities, take responsibility in them, and leave their distinctive mark on them. Human beings rely on all sorts of relationships; they are embedded in a network of other human beings and recognize the necessity of collaboration. In all communities, human beings are united by a principle of unity (family, nation, sports league, church, etc.); in them, they cultivate their history and shape their future.

THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

The Epiphany of Our Lord is the Christian feast observed on January 6 or the next Sunday after January 6. The word "epiphany" comes from the Greek epiphainen, a verb that means " to shine upon," "to manifest," or "to make known." Thus, the feast of the Epiphany celebrates the many ways that Christ has made Himself known to the world, mainly the three events that manifested the mission and divinity of Christ: the visit of the Magi (Matthew 2:1-12), the baptism of Jesus (Mark 1:9-11), and the miracle at Cana (John 2:1-11).

The visit of the Magi is emphasized on Epiphany Day, and Christ's baptism is celebrated the first Sunday that follows.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT on Fridays with Mass at 9:30 am concluded with Benediction at 7:00 pm and Mass at 7:30 pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 6: 5:00 pm +Sebastiao Braganza +Gualberto Sanchez +Barbara Sauer +Nestor Obsioma +Benedict Gomez +Eleanor Dickenson Special Intention of Aceron -Vasquez Family In Thanksgiving of Celeste & Arceli Almeida **Sunday January 7:**

9:00 am +Clement & Patrick Benedict

10:30 am +Savundranayagam

12:00 pm **Pro-Populo**

Monday January 8

Deceased Members of Li Family 9:00 am

Tuesday January 9:

In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family 9:00 am

Wednesday January 10:

7:30 pm Deceased Members of De Silva and **Fernades Families**

Thursday January 11:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

Friday January 12:

Celebrant's Intention 9:30 am

In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family 7:30 pm

Saturday January 13:

Celebrant's Intention 9:00 am

'VOCATION SEEDS'

The Son of God was first manifested to the world through the visit of the magi. Today, God's Son is brought into the world and is present to the world through His Church. If you think that God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon,

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

January 7, 2018

PART TIME YOUTH MINISTRY POSITION St. Aidan's Catholic Parish

JOB DESCRIPTION

VISION: Create in consultation with pastor, a vision and plan for a grade 6 - 8 "Edge" Ministry for the youth, their families and community around St. Aidan parish.

Key Responsibility Areas:

1. Edge Ministry for grade 11 - 13 years olds (grade 6 - 8)

Corresponding Tasks for this KRA:

- Oversee and direct the parish Upper elementary Ministry (grade 6 8 student range) that provides a strong catechetical, social and relevant issue component to its sessions 2 3 times/month
- Develop a team of parish volunteers to assist in this "tween" program on ongoing basis
- Oversee & supervise program engagement by leaders with responsibilities within the ministry
- Mark occasional time to visit youth in Catholic elementary school to provide ministry outreach
- Prepare and run 1 retreat/year for young elementary school ministry, and one/year for volunteers involved in parish youth ministry support
- Assist as a support team member with the running of the Sacrament of Confirmation preparation process
- Network with existing Catholic youth ministries in the Archdiocese to enhance opportunities, experiences and resources that could benefit the parish
- Excel in being a strong and proficient communicator and have competent administrative skills
- Able to work evenings and weekends

Youth Minister should also:

- Have an above average knowledge in the use of technology such as a social media
- Have a mature spiritual life
- Be in full communion with the Catholic Church
- Have an education/formation/training background suited for work required in this position
- Have fundamental computer skills in documents, power-points, web navigation
- Strong interpersonal skills
- Work collaboratively as a member of the parish pastoral team
- Have the vehicular means to make meetings and visit schools associated with the parish

To apply, please drop a note in the collection basket with your name, address and telephone number

The applicants will be interviewed by a representative from the Archdiocesan Catholic Youth Office

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Jesus said, "whatever you do to the least of my people you do it to me".

We, as members of SVP serve our neighbours in need with food, clothing, gift vouchers, Christmas gifts for children and annual training camps for the children. We are able to do this because of your contribution. Thank You! Let us always put our neighbours in need first and continue doing the work we have been doing.

The Archdiocese of Toronto together with the Chaldean Catholic Community

Invites you to a special Mass on the occasion of the 104th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

Sunday January 14, 2018, 1pm, at Good Shepherd Chaldean Cathedral Parish (2 High Meadow Place, North York) Celebrant: Bishop Bawi Soro Homilist: Bishop Wayne Kirpatrick **RECEPTION TO FOLLOW**

Wishing you all a very blessed New Year!