

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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## FROM: DOCAT

### The Common Good, Personhood, Solidarity, Subsidiarity The Principles of the Church's Social Teaching

#### 94. What does the common good mean for the poor?

The poor must be at the heart of the Church, or else the Church betrays her mission. In Gaudium Et Spes the Second Vatican Council speaks about a preferential option for the poor (GS 1). From this results the central social obligation of the individual and of the whole Church to take care of the needs especially of those who are on the peripheries of society. The Beatitudes in the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus' own poverty, and his loving care for the poor show us the way. Standing up for marginalized people is a direct command of Jesus: "As you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me" (Mt 25:40). Jesus also warns, however, against the ideological notion that we can completely do away with poverty in the world (Mt 26:11). Only at Christ's Second Coming will this be possible.

#### 95. What does the principle of subsidiarity involve?

Every societal task is always assigned in the first place to the smallest possible group that can perform it. A group at a higher level may assume responsibility only if the smaller association is not capable of resolving the problem. If the smaller association needs help, however, the higher level must help. This arrangement is summed up in the Principle of Subsidiarity and the Offer of Assistance. For example, if a family has problems, the State can intervene only if the family or the parents are overburdened and cannot resolve them. This principle of subsidiarity is supposed to strengthen the freedom of the individual and of groups and associations and prevent too much centralization. Private initiative should be encouraged, because being able to help oneself is an important component of the dignity of the human person. The principle of subsidiarity was first formulated in 1931, in the Encyclical Quadragesimo Anno by Pope Pius XI.

## 'VOCATION SEEDS'

Our second Scripture reading reminds us that we are love, not in word and speech only, but in truth and action. If God is calling you to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon,

**call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,**  
**Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997**  
**email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)**  
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## INCOME TAX RECEIPTS AND SUNDAY COLLECTION ENVELOPES

Please pick them up in the gift shop!  
Thank You!

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday April 28:

5:00 pm +Aurora Gonzales  
Birthday Blessings for Elvira Noronha  
In Thanksgiving of Adelo & Esther Ortiz  
Intention of Margaret MacNeil

### Sunday April 29:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza  
  
10:30 am +Nelson & Nestor Manalo  
  
12:00 pm Pro-Populo

### Monday April 30:

9:00 am +Thomas Cheng

### Tuesday May 1:

9:00am In Thanksgiving of Lam Family

### Wednesday May 2:

7:30 pm Deceased Members of De Silva Family

### Thursday May 3:

9:00 am +Joseph Marcellus & Rosie Fernandes

### Friday May 4:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Alberto Banda

### Saturday May 5:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

## ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

on Fridays with Mass at 9:30 am and concluded  
with Benediction at 7:00 pm and Mass at 7:30 pm.

## MARCH FOR LIFE

### Thursday May 10, 2018, Ottawa

St. Aidan Parish will share a bus with St. Bartholomew Parish. Tickets: Adult: \$35.00 Student: \$ 20.00  
Bus is leaving from St. Bartholomew Church's parking lot at 6:30 am and arrive back in Toronto by 8:30 pm.  
For tickets please call Wayne at 416 254 9464

**We always find that those who walked closest  
to Christ were those who had to bear the greatest  
trails. - St. Teresa of Avila**

**April 29, 2018**

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**AN HOUR OF ADORATION FOR VOCATIONS**

will be held Friday May 4, 2018 from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.  
**Please Come and Pray for Vocations**

**HALF HOUR PRAYER FOR PALLIATIVE CARE  
Friday May 11, 2018**

The week of May 6-12, 2018 is designated National Hospice Palliative Care Week by Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association. St. Aidan Catholic Women's League, like all CWLs across Canada, will hold a half hour prayer service for Palliative Care on **Friday May 11, 2018 from 6:30 pm-7:00pm**. This will take place in the Church in front of the Blessed Sacrament; the Sacred Heart Chaplet and Mass will continue as usual after this prayer service. You are kindly invited to attend.

**THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE**

We are the united voice of Catholic women across Canada providing faith-based opportunities for social interaction, personal development and community service. Women of our parish are invited to a **Recruitment Weekend today April 28-29, 2018**. Come and see us in the foyer on how you can be of service to God and Canada in a sisterhood of faith, fun and fulfillment.

**CALLING ALL CATHOLIC GENTLEMEN**

Do you want to be part of one of the largest Church Ministry? Do you want to help with Little to No Commitment? Do you want to take advantage of all the Free Benefits there are to offer? If you answered Yes to any of these questions, Your Church and Community need You! Sign up **Today Online**. It's fast and easy and you will be doing your part to help those in need. **Join us at [kofc.org/joinus](http://kofc.org/joinus)** to become a **New Online Member**. Online members can always transfer to a local council of your choice. What do you have to lose?

**JOIN US TODAY!  
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"Make it a practice to judge persons and things in the most favourable light at all times and under all circumstances."  
- St. Vincent de Paul -

Please be reminded to support the Poor Box after the weekend Masses as it is the source of the Society's finances. Thanks for your generosity.

A friendly reminder that your Thunder & Lightning casseroles are picked up on the First Friday of the month.

**SHARELIFE**

**Living the Gospel by helping newcomers to Canada**  
Angie moved to Canada to marry a man she met online. He was not who he seemed; she endured emotional and physical abuse. While he was at work, she started attending language classes at Catholic Crosscultural Services. Staff at CCS connected her with a settlement worker in the women's program. Angie received the support she needed to exit her violent relationship and live independently, free from abuse. Angie is one of over 3,000 clients helped annually by CCS programs funded by ShareLife.

**May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday  
Please give generously.**

**Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00  
Our Parish Collection to Date: \$20,500.00**

**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK**

**May 6 - 11, 2018**

**"Renewing the Promise"**

We invite all parishioners to join in celebrating Catholic Education Week 2018, which runs from May 6-11. For more than 165 years, Ontario's publicly funded Catholic schools have been integrating our faith into all aspects of school life, nurturing the gifts and talents of every students. We celebrate the distinctive contribution that Catholic schools provide, giving thanks and offering our prayers for all those who faithfully journey with our young people each day. To affirm your support of Catholic Education and sign up for email updates, visit:

[www.togetherinfaith.ca](http://www.togetherinfaith.ca)

**YOUTH ADULT MISSION TRIP  
to Yellowknife and Fort Providence**

The Office of Catholic Youth has partnered with the Diocese of Mackenzie-Fort Smith to offer a week-long mission trip to aid our Canadian neighbors to the North. Young adults (ages 19-39) are invited to join us. Travel to Yellowknife and Fort Providence to serve the community. Learn about our missions in Canada and Indigenous culture.

To enter fully into the missionary experience, simple accommodations will be arranged, which may include a few nights of roughing it.

Please kindly see poster in the foyer's bulletin board.

**[www.ocytoronto.org/mission](http://www.ocytoronto.org/mission)**

**Registration Ends & Deposit is due (50% of the cost);  
Friday, May 25, 2018**

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