

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

FROM: DOCAT

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

98. How can there be shared responsibility without harmful dependency?

Through participation. The participation of citizens is a cornerstone of democracy and therefore important for Christians, also. Christians show solidarity by seeking to participate in civil society and influence its fate. In this way they look after their responsibility to shape the world. The possibility of participating must be guaranteed to all citizens in order to bring about so-called participatory justice (see below).

99. What can participation look like in practice?

Important prerequisites for appropriate participation are a sound education and information. Participation must be in the proper measure and must not be misused to promote merely personal interests. Nor should it consist solely of exercising the right to vote (GS 30-31; CA 51-52). In this regard, the Church's social doctrine especially criticizes authoritarian regimes that see any participation of citizens as a threat. Above and beyond the right to vote, social involvement is demanded of Christians, regardless of whether this involvement is in the parish, a political party, or a neighbourhood association. Lay people especially should require special competence in many societal issues and thus collaborate in shaping the local community (GS 43). Of course, as a Christian one should not just become involved in society personally but should also, in solidarity, make it possible for others to participate. The real participation of all is the care of participatory justice, which in turn is a decisive element of social justice in general. The exclusion of individuals denies their dignity and thus violates the command to respect the human person.

'VOCATION SEEDS'

Before the Ascension, Jesus tells His Apostles not to leave Jerusalem - to wait - to pray for the Holy Spirit to show them God's will for their future. Where is the Holy Spirit leading you? If you feel that you are being led to be a priest, religious, or permanent deacon,

call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,
Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997
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**Today, a second collection will be taken after
Holy Communion for the
Archdiocesan Papal Charities Collection**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday May 12:

5:00 pm +Pierre Mathias
+Lawrence Rodrigues
+Helen Magpayo
+Ana Detosa Dias
Deceased Members of Patterson & Nugara Family
In Thanksgiving of Miguel Vasquez
Birthday Blessings for Christelyn Noranho

Sunday May 13:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

10:30 am +Noel Geniza

12:00 pm Pro-Populo

Monday May 14:

9:00 am +Filimon & Pastora Ortiz

Tuesday May 15:

9:00am +Adolph Berenguer

Wednesday May 16:

7:30 pm +Julian Vasquez Sr.

Thursday May 17:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

Friday May 18:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Ken Geniza

Saturday May 19:

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 2018 Charities Lottery

In support of Special Olympics, Ontario; The Arthritis Society and Local Charities
Draw Date: July 12, 2018 \$5.00 per Ticket
Grand Cash Prize of \$200,000
500 Prizes valued at over \$500,000
Tickets available in the foyer after all Masses. With your support we will be able to help those in need!

May 13, 2018

**IN THANKSGIVING TO GOD
for Fr. Joseph Sultana's 50 Years of Priesthood
and for his 11 years of Pastorate at St. Aidan Parish,
we shall celebrate these two special landmarks in our Parish with the following:**

**Dinner with Fr. Joseph Sultana
on Saturday May 26, 2018 at 6:30 pm
St. Aidan Church Hall
\$25.00 per person
(tickets available in the foyer after all Masses)**

**On Sunday May 27, 2018, A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at
12 o'clock noon with the participation of all the Parish Groups and Parishioners.
A Farewell refreshment/party will follow after the Mass in the Church hall.**

All the parishioners are most cordially invited!

MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

Loving God, we thank you for the love of the mothers you have given us. Whose love is so precious that it can never be measured, whose patience seems to have no end. May we see your loving hand behind them and guiding them. We pray for those mothers who fear they will run out of love or time, or patience. We ask you to bless them with your special love. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our brother. **Amen.**

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

ROSES FOR MOTHER'S DAY

will be made available by the members of the Knights of Columbus, St. Aidan Council this weekend, May 12/13 after all Masses at a minimal cost in the foyer.

Thank You for Your Support!

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We can be true followers of Jesus by reaching out to the people you depend on us for their material and spiritual needs - our neighbor-in-need.

As a community, let us commit ourselves to reach out to those in need. Your contribution to the POOR BOX every weekend, helps to build this relationship. Thank you for your support.

Wishing all Mothers and all who "mother" folks with care when in need, a Blessed Happy Mother's Day with God's loving blessings!

SHARELIFE

Living the Gospel by supporting mental health well-ness

In 2016, over 2,000 people accessed individual, couple and family counseling at Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin, a ShareLife-funded agency. Often, clients sought help to address depression. Given that depression has replaced back injury as the number one reason for absenteeism at work, these services are helping clients maintain employment and stay out of poverty. By supporting ShareLife agencies like CFS Peel-Dufferin, you're helping people find health and happiness.

May 27 is the next ShareLife Sunday

Please give generously.

Our Parish Goal: \$44,000.00

Our Parish Collection to Date: \$20,500.00

**ST.AGUSTINE LAY SPIRITUAL FORMATION
PROGRAM THIRD ANNUAL RETREAT FOR
WOMEN - Saturday June 9, 2018**

**A Refection on Some Women of the New Testament
Using Lectio and VisioDivina**

9:30 am - 3:00 pm

(includes Mass in the seminary chapel)

Cost: \$50.00 (lunch included)

Register online: www.staugustines.on.ca

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