

# TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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### THE FAMILY

#### 117. What does the family do for the individual?

To experience family is extremely importance for the individual human person. Ideally it is the place where he is born and grows up. In the family he experiences for the first time communion with others who by their very nature wish him well and unreservedly love and respect him. In such a positive atmosphere, every family member can develop his capabilities and acquire the strength to face whatever life may bring. That is precisely the purpose of an education based on a Christian view of the human person. At the same time, the individual persons in the family experience what it means to take responsibility, since a family member cannot simply live for himself alone. Consequently, every role - whether that of the parents, the grandparents, or the children - always has its duties as well toward the other family members.

#### 118. Does the family also contribute something to society?

Yes, everything that the family accomplishes internally, for itself and for its own members, is socially relevant, too. After all a society can thrive only if things go well for individual members of society, if they feel loved and appreciated. In the family, one can learn that prior to the marketplace logic of exchange there is an entirely different kind of give-and-take, a logic of self-giving and acceptance. The fact that individuals also learn in the family the meaning of social responsibility and solidarity likewise benefits society as a whole: someone who proves to be responsible and to practice solidarity “in little things” will be more likely to do so “in big things”, too. Where does one learn devotion to the poor, the sick, or the elderly better than the family? Where does one better understand people who are desperate, lonely, or abandoned? How does a person become sensitive to structural social ills if his own family does not set an example? The family thereby makes an irreplaceable contribution to the “humanization of society” (C. Kissling).

### ‘VOCATION SEEDS’

Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation,

call Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,  
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email: [vocations@archtoronto.org](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)  
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### MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday September 8:

5:00 pm +Sebastiao Braganza  
+Virginia & Francisco Tan  
+Mary Fernandes  
+Fred & Emelda Balasingham  
+Anthony Serrao  
Intention of Cynthia Legaspi  
Intention of Joseph Santos

#### Sunday September 9:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza  
  
10:30 am +Joel Rosales  
  
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

#### Monday September 10:

9:00 am +Manuel Sr. & Felisa Tan

#### Tuesday September 11:

9:00am +Faith, Flavia, Stanley Maelzer

#### Wednesday September 12:

7:30 pm +Anil Chopra

#### Thursday September 13:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

#### Friday September 14:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention  
  
7:30 pm +Pierre Mathias

#### Saturday September 15:

9:00 am Celebrant’s Intention

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

**Thus Charitable service, which can take  
many forms, becomes a privileged  
method of evangelization, in the light  
of Jesus’ own teaching.  
- Pope Benedict XVI -**

# September 9, 2018

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## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

### Would you like to have a say regarding what takes place in our parish or how things are done?

We are reestablishing the Parish Council. Our first meeting will be on Monday September 17th, at 7:00 pm. The Parish Council assists the parish priest in promoting the Spiritual and Temporal initiatives in the parish. The Parish Council is a consultative body, pastoral in nature, because it strives to discern the movement of the Holy Spirit among God's people in the Parish. Membership should include a representative from each of the Parish Groups, as well as Parish Staff, representative of our two schools, and representatives from faithful parishioners. Meetings will be once a month from September to June. Membership on the Parish Council will be for two or three years, renewable for one year. If interested, please speak to Fr. Steven.

### 2018 MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM

will commence on Saturday October 6th. This program is held once a year, therefore, couples planning to marry by December next year can register for it.

For more information, kindly contact Aggie Gomez at 416 292 5707 or call the Parish Office at 416 494 2704.

**RCIA:** If anybody is interested in becoming Catholic, or if any adult Catholic need to be confirmed, please call the Parish Office to register for the RCIA Program.

### LIFE CHAIN - CAMPAIGN LIFE COALITION

Saving lives from coast to coast

Join thousands across Canada standing up against abortion in this peaceful demonstration.

**Sunday September 30, 2018 - 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm**  
**Intersection of Finch & Warden**

Come and join us in witnessing to the sanctity of life on behalf of the most vulnerable members of our community.

### CHURCH CLEANING

All Parishioners and Parish Organizations are invited to participate in cleaning the Church and other areas on Saturday September 22nd after the morning Mass. Please inform Gwen Faustin at 416 754 3949 if able to help.

**"The Word Among Us" - Complete Catholic Mass Readings for Canada** - Daily Meditations for Catholic, September and October issues are available in the gift shop for \$4.00 each

### 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 with us and let your old parish know that you have moved so that they too can update their records.

### INSTALLATION OF FR. STEVEN AS PASTOR

The formal installation of Fr. Steven as Pastor of St. Aidan's Parish will take place on Sunday September 30th at the 12 noon Mass. Bishop Vincent Nguyen will preside and conduct the Installation Ceremony. Mass may be a little bit longer than usual. There will be a short reception in the hall before we head out for the Life Chain, which is on the same day.

**"He alone loves the Creator perfectly who manifest a pure love for his neighbor".**  
**- St. Bede the Venerable -**

### BUNDLE- UP WEEKEND

The SVP container for Bundle-Up donations will be in the parking lot this weekend. Please donate your gently used clothes, and household linens. Please tie your bags for easier handling. **DO NOT** put furniture, electrical appliances, books or mattresses.

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Today we celebrate the Feast of our Founder, Blessed Frederick Ozanam. May he guide us to serve the poor.

Thank you for your generous support by providing "Thunder & Lightning" casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre.

Thank you for your contributions to the POOR BOX after Masses, which help lift up those in need.

**Faith and reason are like two wings on which the human spirit rises to the contemplation of truth.**  
**- Fides et Ratio, Saint John Paul II -**