### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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# FROM: <u>DOCAT</u> <u>The Foundation of Society</u> THE FAMILY

#### 126. How is one to evaluate other forms of living together?

The Church quite clearly regards marriage and family as the vocation which corresponds to the deepest longings of man and woman. In this she takes in the current debate a firm stance against the increasing breakdown in the close connection between sexuality and interpersonal ties, between emotion and responsibility, sexuality and children, partnership and family. Nevertheless, the Church also reaches out with charity to those who live in other ways, and looks for opportunities to make these forms a path of conversion towards the fullness of the vocation of marriage.

#### 127. Is a desire for children part of marriage?

Yes, absolutely. Just as marriage is part of the family so too family is part of marriage. The two are interrelated. To simplify, we could say: "No family without marriage and no marriage without family." Marriage is related to the family, which is to say that it is aimed at procreation and childrearing and life with children. Couples who wish to marry should therefore not reject the possibility of having children together at the beginning of their marriage. "Will you accept children lovingly from God and bring them up according to the law of Christ and of his Church?" The bride and groom must answer yes to this question posed by the priest. Only then can they contact marriage with one another.

### 128. What about couples who cannot have children of their own?

Their marriage is by no means "worth" less, because procreation is not the sole purpose of marriage. Rather, a marriage is still has its indissoluble character and its value as a communion, even if married life is not perfected by children - who are often longed for ardently. In this case, the married couple can adopt children or in some way care for children (for instance, in their extended family or circle of friends). A marriage can be "fruitful" also if a childless couple opens its home to lonely people, conscientiously becomes involved socially, and shows hospitality.

#### 'VOCATION SEEDS'

Matrimony - a beautiful vocation so misused today. Celibacy - a beautiful gift so misunderstood today. Whether we do God's work in pairs or as a single person in ministry or in a community, we do God's work because He calls us. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation,

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

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **Saturday Octobeeer 6:**

5:00 pm +Theresa Sebastian

+Leticia Dagdag

+Felix D'Souza

+Victoria & Ricardo

+Joseph David

+Thelma Noronha

+Ginalyn Reduta Villote

50th Wedding Anniversary of Ruth and

Michael Barreca

#### **Sunday October 7:**

9:00 am +Maria Olga De Souza

10:30 am +Santiago & Teresa Garin

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

#### **Monday October 8:**

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of De Souza Family

#### **Tuesday October 9:**

9:00am +Flavia, Stanley, Faith Maelzer

#### Wednesday October 10:

7:30 pm +Sebastiao Brganza

#### **Thursday October 11:**

9:00 am Intention of Milan, Barbara & Robert

#### Friday October 12:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm +Peter Castanha

#### **Saturday October 13:**

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.

Wishing you all, the parishioners,
A HATTY THANKSGIVING DAY!
Fr. Steven Szakaczki
Deacon Patrick Chang & Staff

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### **APOSTOLATE OF PRAYERS Intention for the month of October**

**Evangelization:** The Mission of Religious - That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

## The CWL, St. Aidan Council INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL

will be held on Sunday October 14th after all Masses in the Church hall. Take out foods from Malta, Italy, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, India, Caribbean Islands, Hungary and Philippines will be made available at a minimal cost. Come and join us.

#### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

We need volunteers who have experience in finance to be part of our Parish Finance Council. The council acts as a financial advisor to the pastor and also oversees all finances in the parish. Individual who have knowledge of properties and legal matters could also be beneficial to the Finance Council. Our first meeting will be Sat. Oct 27th, after the 9:00 am Mass. Membership is 1 to 3 years and meetings take place as often as needed or a minimum of 4 times a year. If interested, please speak to Fr. Steven.

#### PARISH SCREENING COMMITTEE

This committee helps with obtaining police checks for volunteers, so as to ensure the safety of all in our parish. We need volunteers who can dedicate a few hours every month to screen volunteers. We need a Screening Committee Coordinator as well as those who can assist in the screening process. Training will be provided. Please speak to Fr. Steven or call the parish office.

#### THE PILGRIME STATUE OF OUR LADY OF CAPE

is visiting St. Aidan Church on Thanksgiving Monday Oct. 8th. There will be a Living Rosary at 6:15 pm and Mass at 7 pm, followed by procession. You are invited to attend this celebration with your family and friends. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall after the candlelight procession.

#### **EDGE YOUTH GROUP**

We are starting a youth program at St. Aidan's for students in grades 6-8, called EDGE, a vibrant Catholic youth ministry. The program will start Sat. Oct. 20 after the 5PM Mass. Volunteers are needed to assist in running the program. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old and can receive volunteer hours as needed. If you are interested, please contact Mary Anne Coutinho at 416 491 0124 or through email at coutinhomaryanne@gmail.com.

#### THE BEST WAY TO GIVE THANKS

To give thanks reminds us that we do not own all we have. We are stewards of what God has given us. We would not give thanks, if we were the owners. All that we have is not ours. We leave it behind when we die. We end up giving it away in the end anyway, and so the best way to give thanks is to share. Sharing is a good expression of our stewardship. Sharing is a good expression of the truth about what we have. To merely get on our knees and say, "I thank you God for all you have given to me," are just words. The best way to give thanks is to share what you have with others. Then the words have a real meaning. It is the sharing that we find fulfillment in our lives, our own personal harvest.

#### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

will take place weekend of Oct. 6th &7th for Rosalie Hall and Good Shepherd Centre. Please support the Knights of Columbus, St. Aidan Council to help the hungry and the homeless this Thanksgiving. Non-Perishable Food Only

#### **VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

Birthright, a pro-life crisis pregnancy service, needs your help. Volunteers, men and women, are needed to assist those facing an unplanned pregnancy, to provide support and comfort as well as practical solutions. Training is provided. Do you have time to offer 3 or 4 hours a week in a life-saving cause? For more information call 416 469 1111 or email toronto@birthright.org

### EMAIL SCAMS ARE BECOMING MORE COMMON

We have been advised by a number of sources that scammers have created a Gmail account in an effort to impersonate Cardinal Thomas Collins, Archbishop of Toronto, and are continuing to email people. Do not respond should you receive these emails. Cardinal Collins only communicates through an archtoronto.org email address. Consider any other addresses to be suspect.

#### SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL Tel: 647 772 1319 www.svdptoronto.org

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Mary, our loving Mother, will teach us to love her Son, Jesus, with a deep love, and then love for our brothers and sisters in need - the poor, the unemployed, the under-privileged. Your generous contribution every Sunday to the POOR BOX is one of the ways you are doing so.

The Poor Box collection for September was \$1,746.08. Thank you for your support!