

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM: DOCAT **The Foundation of Society** **THE FAMILY**

131. Why should the State and society do anything for the family?

The family, by its very nature, makes important contribution to society that often go quite unnoticed and unappreciated. The obligation of society and the State to do something for families, too, follows from the fact that the family is the smallest, indispensable unit of society. This is where governmental family policy begins. A nation necessarily depends on potential parents to decide to have children; the State, however, can in no way coerce this decision; it must be made with complete freedom by the citizens. The State thus places its own future in the hands of its citizens, who are entitled to freedom. Again and again surveys show that citizens in principle value the family very highly. Governmental family policy tries to make it possible for them to decide to start a family in the present societal and political conditions, by shaping economic conditions accordingly.

132. What can the State and society do for the families?

First, it is important for both society and the State to acknowledge the family as something special and central and therefore to protect and support its unique character. This starts with strengthening the home life of the family, but it also includes respect for human life in every phase, especially for the unborn. When we talk about the State protecting and supporting the family, this can never mean that society or the State, for economic or ideological reasons, take over or even takes away duties originally belonging to the family and thus narrows its social dimension; instead, the goal of family policy measures, in keeping with the principles of subsidiarity, must be to enable families to perform their own tasks suitability.

133. What is meant specifically by “family policy in keeping with the principle of subsidiarity”?

An example: In keeping with the principle of subsidiarity, it cannot be the State’s task to raise children, because that would take away from parents a task that has belonged to them from the beginning. Rather, in the given circumstances (living conditions, work, and educational opportunities), the State should give families all the necessary assistance. Here it is important to preserve real freedom of choice, for instance, with regard to parental cooperation in dividing up the work of caring for the family and earning a living. The special function of the family in communicating knowledge and the formation of the children can be replaced neither through day care and schools nor through other societal groups, although these institutions can help to support and supplement parental education. The principle of subsidiarity emphasizes at the same time the autonomy of every person and of families. This means that families themselves can and should become involved in political and societal institutions and also join together to stand up for their rights and to strengthen them.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday October 20:

5:00 pm +Mariano Orosa Aceron
+Rocky Fernandes
+Anthony & Grace Morelli
+Angela & Mike Cari Cari
+Thomas Olango
Intention of Margie Mariano
Intention of Meiching Ma
In Thanksgiving of Ylagan and
McLeod Families

Sunday October 21:

9:00 am +Maria Olga De Souza

10:30 am In Thanksgiving Noelle Geniza

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday October 22:

9:00 am +Rosa Loong.

Tuesday October 23:

9:00am In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family

Wednesday October 24:

7:30 pm +Rafael Sr. & Maria Atizado

Thursday October 25:

9:00 am +Rosario dela Paz

Friday October 26:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention

7:30 pm Intention of Rev. Joseph Sultana

Saturday October 27:

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.

‘VOCATION SEEDS’

Jesus’ life was the best ‘job description’: sympathy; mercy; service; compassion; and total giving. Life is rewarding when one lives for others. Do you want to serve or to be served? If you are willing to serve as a priest, religious or deacon,

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October 21, 2018

MEETING FOR FIRST COMMUNION

Tuesday October 30 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall. Parents need to attend this meeting to register their children and find out more information regarding their child's first Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

COLOGNES, PERFUMES, AND AFTER SHAVE

Please avoid using these products when coming to church. More and more people are allergic, and while you may not notice it, the fragrance is too overpowering.

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.

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL

The Office of Admission of St. Michael's College School is now considering applications for September 2019. St. Michael's College School is the only independent Catholic school for boys from Grade 7 to Grade 12. Open Houses for interested parents and their sons will be held on Thursday Oct 18 and Tuesday October 23 from 7:30 pm to 9:30 pm.

Location: St. Michael's College School, 1515 Bathurst St. (at St. Clair Avenue West)

While St. Michael's College School is an independent school, we offer a generous bursary programme that provides financial aid to qualifying students.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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"We should strive to keep our hearts open to the sufferings and wretchedness of other people, and pray continually that God may grant us the spirit of compassion which is truly the spirit of God." - St. Vincent de Paul

By remembering our neighbours who ask for help through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, we are all touched by God's love and build up His Kingdom on earth.

Thank you for your contributions to the Poor Box, for preparing the Thunder & Lightning casseroles and other donations.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Sunday October 21, 2018

Today, on World Mission Sunday, we are invited to celebrate our mission's vocation, to pray for the people who actively engaged in mission, and to generously contribute to our worldwide mission solidarity fund through this collection. Your gift on this day helps:

- People in remote villages, towns and cities, through the witness and work of missions and local priests.
- Children, the elderly, refugees, the sick, and orphans through the services of religious Sisters and Brothers
- To bring the Gospel to the poorest of our human family.
- Catechists proclaim the message of hope and peace that only Christ can give.

Please offer your prayers for the work of the Church in the Missions today and be as generous as you can on World Mission Sunday.

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

On Saturday October 27 at 6:15 pm in the parish hall, we will be showing the movie "The Encounter" which is about five strangers who are marooned in a deserted roadside diner and encounter a man who knows all of their secrets and can fix all of their problems if they trust in him.

The movie is Free. Pizza, popcorn and a drink will be available for \$5.00.

Fr. Steven will lead a discussion during half time and after the movie.

You can just show up for the movie night but if you are planning to attend, please register at the gift shop or cwlst.aidancouncil@gmail.com

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 they too can update their records.

"Remember when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received only what you have given: a heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice, and courage."
- St. Francis of Assisi -