

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FROM: DOCAT Occupation and Vocation

HUMAN WORK

146. What is to be done about job security?

Christians are called to treat those in need as they would treat Christ himself. Where workers today are forced to the margins of society because of 'job insecurity' or because they are among the 'working poor' (inadequate wages), they are truly in need. Jobs are insecure when wages are clearly below market levels, when workers can no longer plan their future, or when their rights as workers are infringed. Workers have a right to work and to a fair wage. This also hold for temporary workers and migrants. It is a challenge to everyone when the market forces workers into insecure jobs. The state can and should establish conditions where employers can offer work, for example through a 'secondary job market' in which work necessary for society, but outside the market, can be done. All these measures however, must respect the principle of subsidiarity; they should be a transitional stage that leads to the primary market and is not in competition with it.

147. What should be the relation between work and private property?

Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels wrote in their 1848 Communist Manifesto that the goal of Communism can be summed up as "the abolition of private property". In contrast, the Church in her social teaching has always defended the right to private property. At the same time, though, she has constantly emphasized that God created the earth and its goods to benefit all men. Social doctrine calls this the "universal destination of material goods." From this follows the principle *property entails social obligations*. This means that one must not use one's property in a merely selfish way but should apply it for the benefit of all. This is true especially with regard to the relation between property and labor: investments should promote the creation of new jobs and the increase of the common good.

'VOCATION SEEDS'

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly "prepare the way of the Lord"? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon,

contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,
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My only ambition is to serve God in the most humble tasks.—St. Andre Bessette

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday December 8:

5:00 pm +Fr. Joseph Fenech
+Sebastiao Braganza
+Maria Olga De Souza
+Edgardo De Jesus
+Francis Carlina & Veroni Ines
Deceased Members of Patterson and
Nugara Families
Intention of Lat Family
In Thanksgiving of Bozena & Children

Sunday December 9:

9:00 am +Anna Ho
10:30 am +Nestor & Nelson Manalo
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday December 10:

9:00 am Deceased Members of Li Family

Tuesday December 11:

9:00am Birthday Blessings for Graciana

Wednesday December 12:

7:30 pm Intention of Maria Georgina Jose

Thursday December 13:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Vicky Dvorak

Friday December 14:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention
7:30 pm +Rafael Sr. & Maria Atizado

Saturday December 15:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ON FRIDAYS

Due to a lack of adorers on Friday afternoons, we will only have adoration from 9:30 am Mass till 12:30 pm, and then 6:00 pm till the evening Mass.

The following are available in the Gift Shop:

- 2019 Sunday Missal at \$5.00 each
- Catholic Mission in Canada 1019 Calendar @ \$5.00 each
- Christmas Cakes @ \$20.00 per box

December 9, 2018

JANITOR/CUSTODIAN FOR ST. AIDAN CHURCH

We are in the process of hiring a full time Janitor/Custodian for our Parish. Please go to the Archdiocesan Website or to indeed.com for more information. Deadline for applying is December 17.

2019 DONATION ENVELOPES

are available in the foyer and arranged in **numerical order**. Please take **ONLY** the box with your name on it; use these envelopes starting January 1, 2019 and discard your 2018 unused envelopes. Parishioners who wish to use donation envelopes, please register in the gift shop.

Thank You for your cooperation!

THANK YOU

The Catholic Women's League of Canada, St. Aidan Council are very grateful to you (parishioners) for your generosity and love displayed during the period of our "Warmth and Comfort Project". It was a huge success.

Total Collected:

Socks - 1900

Crackers - 500

Peanut Butter - 367

We thank you once again and may God bless you all.

CHALICE CHRISTMAS GIFT-GIVING

Chalice is a Catholic Charity assisting the poor in 15 developing countries primarily through sponsorship of children. Anyone can send a Christmas gift to some of these children through chalice.ca. Please consider extending your charitable works to help these little ones. Catalogue available in the Gift Shop for viewing.

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

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"Make it a practice to judge persons and things in the most favorable light at all times and under all circumstances."

- St. Vincent de Paul -

The **SVP Christmas Donation Envelopes** are available at the back of the Church. Would appreciate your special gift to make Christmas more joyful for our neighbors-in-need.

Thank you to all who contributed to the Bundle Up - Weekend. A Thank you also to all who prepared the Thunder & Lightning casserole for the Good Shepherd Centre.

2018 CHRISTMAS & 2019 NEW YEAR PROGRAMME

Monday December 24: Christmas Eve

9:00 am - Mass

7:30 pm - Christmas Carols

8:00 pm - Mass

11:30 pm - Christmas Carols

12:00 Midnight—Mass

Tuesday December 25: Christmas Day

Mass - 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 Noon

Monday December 31: New Year's Eve

9:00 am - Mass

5:00 pm - Mass

Tuesday January 1, 2019: New Year's Day

Mass - 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12:00 Noon

NATIVITY SET RAFFLE

The **Nativity Set** which is on display at the entrance of the Church is being raffled off through the efforts of the Knights of Columbus, St. Aidan Council. They will be selling tickets till December 23 when the winning ticket will be drawn by Fr. Steven right after the 12 noon Mass. Half the proceeds will go towards St. Aidan's Church the other half for a worthy cause.

Tickets are: 1 for \$2.00

3 for \$5.00

AN ADVENT PRAYER FOR COURAGE

Dear Heavenly Father,

Help me to hear your voice.

Touch me once again.

Give me the courage to be your beloved.

Give me the courage to choose joy. I need you now this Christmas.

Be born in me again. Today.

In Jesus name, Amen.

(Bonnie Gray, from "Why it Takes Courage to Choose Joy")

We should always observe Advent with faith and love, offering praise and thanksgiving to the Father for the mercy and love he has shown us in this mystery.

- St. Charles Borromeo -