

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

FROM: DOCAT **Welfare and Justice for All** **ECONOMIC LIFE**

158. What do we mean by “economic activity”?

By **economic activity** we mean the area of our social interactions in which people provide for their material needs and for those of their fellow human beings. Economic life therefore involves the production, the distribution, and the consumption of goods and services.

159. What is the good of economic activity?

The goal of economic activity is to supply us with all the material things that we need in order to live. The resources for this purpose - raw materials, machines, land and soil, human labor, for example - are limited. Therefore we must create economic arrangements, in other words, organize economic activity in such a way that these limited resources are used as efficiently and reasonably as possible. The source, focus, and end of all economic activity is the free human being. As always, when we engage in social action, the dignity of the human person and the development of the common good are central (cf. GS 63).

160. How are economic activity and ethics interrelated?

The economy functions according to its own laws. One type of economy, the market economy, is increasingly accepted worldwide. It is just like in a real “marketplace”: suppliers and consumers meet and negotiate freely with each other about prices, quantities, and the quality of the products. The market economy has proved to be very efficient, but it is ethically accepted only if it is a social market economy accompanied by a constitutional State. Hence, first of all, there must be clear rules guaranteed by the government, and, secondly, provisions must be made also for those who cannot offer anything in that marketplace, for example, because they have no job or no money. Furthermore there are human experiences that cannot be dealt with justly by the logic of the marketplace: suffering, sickness, and disability, for example. The fact that the economy functions according to its own laws does not mean that the laws of the marketplace are not subject to God’s laws and commandments. Ethics is an essential component of good economic activity. Unethical business is in the long run economically wrong, also. It is equally true that uneconomical business, for instance wasting resources, is unethical.

‘VOCATION SEEDS’

As John the Baptist introduced the people of his time to Jesus a voice from heaven said, “You are my Son, the Beloved, with you I am well pleased.” Perhaps God is calling you to do the same in our time as a priest, deacon or religious. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon,

contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 12:

5:00 pm +Barbara Sauer
+Tristram Patterson
+Penafrancia Escote
+Fernando David
+Thevamanya Vallipuram
+Fred & Emelda Balasingham
+Benito S. Santa Ana
+Thomas Dantes

Sunday January 13:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Lazaro & Fe Poblete
10:30 am In Thanksgiving of Loong Family
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday January 14:

9:00 am Deceased Members of Mendes Family

Tuesday January 15:

9:00am +Noel Geniza

Wednesday January 16:

7:30 pm +Maria Olga De Souza

Thursday January 17:

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Geniza Family

Friday January 18:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Ferrao Family

Saturday January 19:

9:00 am Celebrant’s Intention

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Fridays

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

SANCTUARY LAMP

Deceased Members of Nugara Family

Novalis “Living with Christ” monthly missals are available in the gift shop for \$3.50 each.

We shall steer safely through every storm, so long as our heart is right, our intention fervent, our courage steadfast, and our trust fixed on God.

- St. Francis Xavier -

January 13, 2019

NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Grade 4 or older who is interested in becoming an altar server should contact the parish office, or Fr. Steven, and leave their name and phone number. Practices will begin on Saturday February 9th at 3:00 pm inside the church.

STUDENTS IN GRADE 6 - 8

St Aidan's Parish is now running a Catholic youth program called **Edge**. This program is for students in grade 6-8, who are looking to grow in their faith, make friends and have lots of fun. Edge meetings take place every third Saturday of the month from 6-8 PM at St. Aidan Parish, in the church hall. Refreshments will be served and all are welcome.

2019 DONATION ENVELOPES

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

Thank You for your cooperation

NEW PARISH WEBSITE

Please note our new parish website for St. Aidan's Church is: staidanssc.archtoronto.org

SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Tel: 647 772 1319

www.svdptoronto.org

St. Vincent de Paul, born April 24, 1581 at Pouy, now Saint-Vincent-de-Paul, France; died September 27, 1660 in Paris; canonized 1737; feast day September 27, French Saint, founder of the Congregation of the Mission (Lazarists or Vincentians), for preaching missions to the peasantry and for educating and training a pastoral Clergy.

Due to the overwhelming response, Good Shepherd Centre picks up T&L casseroles twice, mid month and on the First Friday of the month. They have given the T&L recipe for us to prepare and donate. We have been receiving a few anonymous casseroles with leftover food which has to be discarded. Please abide by the recipe given to us by Good Shepherd Centre and fill in the details on the label on the lid. Anonymous casseroles are not acceptable. Thank you for your support.

FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF JESUS

Today the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord. This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes.

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolic of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descend upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity took its abode in our soul. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

(Excerpted from Msgr. Rudolf G. Bandas)

EXTENDED FRENCH INFORMATION NIGHT

Parents of Grade 4 students interested in developing their French Language skills are invited to attend an information session at Our Lady of Grace Catholic School, 121 Brimwood Blvd., on Wednesday January 23rd, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the school library.

All students presently attending TCDSB schools or baptized Catholics are eligible to enroll in this program for Grade 5 in September 2019.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

2019 Charities Lottery

In support of Special Olympics, Ontario, The Arthritis Society and Local Charities

Draw Date: July 13, 2019

1 Ticket for \$5.00

Grand Cash Prize of \$200,000.00 and 500 Prizes with cumulative value of over \$500,000

A waiting person is a patient person. The word patience means the willingness to stay where we are and live the situation to the full in the belief that something hidden there will manifest itself to us.

- Henri Nouwen -