

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

161. Is affluence “unethical”?

No. To increase prosperity can be a noble ethical purpose. But this purpose is morally good only when it is pursued in a way consistent with the global development of all human beings in solidarity; not when only a few individuals profit from the increase prosperity. Development means the holistic, comprehensive development of human beings. This includes faith and family, education and health, and many other values. It cannot always be merely a matter of greater consumption. In a certain way “consumerism” makes people even poorer.

162. Is the Church critical of economic activity?

The Church has a fundamentally positive view of economic activity. She critiques economic activity only when commerce sets itself up as an absolute. This happens, for example, when laborers are exploited and co-opted or when people neglect to use the earth’s resources in a sustainable way. The Church supports economic activity when human beings can thereby enjoy at least a modest prosperity and have no need to fear poverty. Catholic social doctrine wants anyone to participate actively in bringing about economic progress, improving economic production, and distributing material goods (cf. GS 63, 65).

163. Can work in business be a vocation?

Yes. Work in commerce and business can be an authentic vocation from God: people who in their specialized area of responsibility place themselves at the service of their fellow human beings and of society are a blessing for all. God entrusted the earth to us, “to till it and keep it”. In our work we can obey God’s will and in some small area contribute to the perfecting of creation (Gen 2:15ff.). If we act justly and lovingly, we will use the good gifts of the earth and our own talents for the good of our fellow human beings who are entrusted to us (Mt 25:14-30; Lk 19:12-27).

‘VOCATION SEEDS’

Pray to know how God wants to use your talents and abilities. Could it be He is calling you to consider priesthood or religious life? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon,

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

If you are what you should be, you will set the world ablaze.
- St. Catherine of Siena -

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday January 19:

5:00 pm +Victoria Noronha
+Justino & Alejandra Lanoy
+Mary, Sabastian, Anthony
+Vincent & Laura Lobo
+Lucrecia & Rustico Malinao
+Edward Manuelpillai
In Honour of Mother Mary
In Thanksgiving of Bathan Family

Sunday January 20:

9:00 am +John Terill

10:30 am +Benjamin & Severino Santos

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday January 21:

9:00 am +Leo Achong

Tuesday January 22:

9:00am +Anne Achong

Wednesday January 23:

7:30 pm Intention for Milan, Robert & Barbara

Thursday January 24:

9:00 am Intention of Wilma & Patrick Gonsalves

Friday January 25:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention

7:30 pm +Fred & Lucy Raskina

Saturday January 26:

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.

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

The best way to discern if our prayer is authentic is to judge to what extent our life is being transformed in the light of mercy.

- Pope Francis, Gaudete et Exsultate, 106 -

January 20, 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**

"Let us do our duty well; let us go straight to God; let us work to become very humble, very patient, very mortified, and very charitable." - St. Vincent de Paul -

Thank you for contributing to the POOR BOX every Saturday/Sunday to help neighbours in need in our parish. Thank you for your preparation of the Thunder and Lightning casseroles for the homeless, and your donations on Bundle Up Weekends.

As the year progress, we will keep you updated on our events. God bless you for your kind generosity.

**God has created us for great things -
to love and be loved.
- St. Teresa of Kolkata -**

SUNDAY PARKING

To help prevent possible congestion, we encourage you to exit the parking lot by the school driveway.

ST. AIDAN'S GAME AND BINGO NIGHT

Our Social Committee has planned a fun filled event which will take place in our Parish Hall on **Saturday February 2, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm**. We invite you to come out to enjoy multiple games, exciting prizes, pizza and entertainment. There is a \$2.00 cover charge per person. Please register in the Church's foyer after all Masses weekends of January 19/20 and January 26/27.

YOUTH CONFERENCE

We are inviting all youth, from grades 8-12, to attend Steubenville Toronto, the largest Catholic Youth Conference in Canada. This year St. Aidan's will have its own group attend Steubenville, from July 12 - 14. The conference will be held in UOIT Campus in Oshawa. Each year 2,000 passionate Catholic teenagers come together to encounter Christ in a new and life-altering way. Students who will be in grade 9-12 this September are encouraged to join. For more information about registering or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mary Anne Coutinho at 416 491 0124 or email her at couthomaryanne@gmail.com

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 Brainwood Blvd., on **Wednesday January 23 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