

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Welfare and Justice for All
ECONOMIC LIFE

MASS INTENTIONS

164. What does the Bible say about poverty and riches?

Anyone who follows Jesus must never forget that first and foremost we are supposed to be “rich toward God” (Lk 12:21). To become rich in material things is not a particularly Christian goal in life. And to be materially rich is not a sure sign of God’s special grace. Jesus teaches us to pray: “Give us this day our daily bread” (Mt 6:11). With these words we ask the Father for all that we need for our earthly life. We do not strive for luxurious possessions but for goods required for a happy life in moderate prosperity, the support of a family, works of charity, and participation in culture and education, as well as further development.

165. Is poverty always bad?

If “poverty” means involuntary need and doing without vitally necessary means, then poverty is an evil. The fact that one part of humanity goes hungry and another throws excess food away is a scandal and a sin crying out to heaven. It is difficult to say, in wealthy countries, where the boundary line of material poverty runs, in other words, what should be regarded as a minimum subsistence level. Relative poverty - not living in excess - is not necessarily a negative thing. It can lead people to recognize their true needs in God’s sight and to approach God in an attitude of petition and trust. When Christians take the Gospel seriously, again and again there is a deliberate, voluntary renunciation of material wealth: many wish to be able to serve God with a free heart. In general it is true: anyone who wants to follow Jesus must “be poor in God’s sight”, i.e., be interiorly detached from possessions (Mt 5:3). Nothing should have priority over love for God.

‘VOCATION SEEDS’

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? 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

**Work is our original vocation. It is a blessing
from God, and those who consider it a punishment
are sadly mistaken.**
- St. Josemaria Escriva -

Saturday January 26:

5:00 pm +Alfie Lamb
+Filemon Caoli
+Antonio Jasareno
+Celia Rosary
+Ernest Patience
In Thanksgiving of Leonor Romilla
Special Intention of Henry & Ophelia

Sunday January 27:

9:00 am +Edmund Lee

10:30 am +Regalado Dagdag

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday January 28:

9:00 am Intention of Milan, Robert & Barbara

Tuesday January 29:

9:00am +Noemi & Generoso Palma

Wednesday January 30:

7:30 pm Intention for Dave & Bony Weir

Thursday January 31:

9:00 am +Corazon Duka

Friday February 1:

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention

7:30 pm Deceased Members of Kevin Cheung Family

Saturday February 2:

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.

**It is not healthy to love silence while fleeing
interaction with others, to want peace and quiet
while avoiding activity, to seek prayer while
disdaining service.**

- Pope Francis, Gaudete et Exsultate, 26

January 27, 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 (1580 - 1660) is one of the Church's greatest patrons of the Suffering. St. Vincent once observed, "we have never so much cause for consolation as when we find ourselves oppressed by suffering and trials. These make us like Christ Our Lord, and this resemblance is the true mark of our predestination".

A friendly reminder that the Thunder & Lightning casseroles are due for pickup on Friday February 1st.

Thanks again for your generosity to the POOR BOX after the weekend Masses.

Our prayer ought to be short and pure, unless it happens to be prolonged by an inspiration of divine grace.
- St. Benedict -

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

MARRIAGE SUNDAY

will be celebrated on Sunday February 10 at the 12:00 noon Mass at St. Aidan Parish. All married couples will receive a special blessing from Father Steven. Couples celebrating their Milestones wedding anniversary- 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th plus - will be honoured at Mass. A reception in the church hall organized by the Catholic Women's League of Canada, St. Aidan Council follows. "Milestone" couples attending are required to register by calling Aggie Gomez at 416 292 5707 no later than February 6th or register in the gift shop after the weekend Masses on January 26/27 and February 2/3.

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