
FROM: DOCAT Power and Morality The Political Community

209. Was Jesus on the Cross a complete failure?

Jesus was nailed to the Cross because he was misunderstood both politically and religiously. The Jewish authorities saw him as a blasphemer, whereas the Romans interpreted his claims to kingship politically. The crucifixion, however, was not the failure of his mission but, rather, its completion. Jesus redefined the standards for exercising political power. In the *Paradox* of the cross - God's power manifested in the powerlessness of his tortured Son - all worldly claims to dominion are called into question. A political order that ensures freedom is needed, but it is legitimate only if it actually does this and protects its citizens. Moreover, the exercise of Christian authority will take the form of love and service.

210. What difference does it make when politics "serve"?

Catholic social teaching emphasizes that all public office is service. Someone who serves the common good is not looking out primarily for his own welfare but for that of the political community entrusted to him, and he performs his political function according to ethical criteria. This is decisive in the fight against corruption. Moreover, someone who serves has in view the concrete human person in his misery and need. Nor does the excessive bureaucratization of states or communities of states serve the free, subsidiary development of persons and smaller societal units. Simple people are often at a disadvantage, because the complexity of bureaucratic procedures is beyond them. Good management is a great good; good management serves the common good. Excessive bureaucracy (= rule by office), in contrast, can de-humanize those who practice it, too, it turns men into "functionaries and mere cogs in the administrative machine" (Hanna Arendt).

'VOCATION SEEDS'

"Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love." Send forth workers into your vineyard. May some of our parishioners choose to serve you by becoming priests, brothers and sisters. 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

Truth suffers, but never dies.
-St. Teresa of Avila -

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday June 8:

5:00 pm +Sebastiao Braganza

+Frank Duff

+Fred & Emelda Balasingham

+Antonio Espedido +Elena Villamia

+Ligaya Yabut

Birthday Blessings for Crystal Noranho

Sunday June 9:

9:00 am Rev. Fr. Steven Szakaczki

10:30 am +Elizabeth Lyson

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday June 10:

9:00 am +Peter Chin

Tuesday June 11:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

7:30 pm Novena Mass to St. Anthony

Wednesday June 12:

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Aceron-Vasquez Family

Thursday June 13:

9:00 am +Agnes & Paul Poon

7:30 pm In Honour of St. Anthony

Friday June 14:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm In Thanksgiving of Aida Atienza

Saturday June 15:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

SANCTUARY LAMP

+ Noel Geniza

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Please note our regular Saturday morning Mass time is 9:00 am not 9:30 am.

The Lord delights in every little step we take.
- St. Francis de Sales -

EDGE MEETING FOR GRADE 6 TO 8 STUDENTS

The St. Aidan's next Edge meeting will take place on Saturday June 15 from 6 to 8 pm at St. Aidan's Parish church hall. This program is for students in grade 6-8 who are looking to grow in their faith, make friends, and have fun. Pizza will be served, and all are welcome.

BUILDING FUND COLLECTION

If you have offerings for our Building Fund, please place them into the regular collection. We have a second collection for the MaryGrove Camp for girls his weekend. Thank you

SEMINARIAN STAYING AT ST. AIDAN'S for the Summer

Please welcome Roberto Echeverria who will be staying with us for the summer. Please keep him and Victor Valdez, one of our parishioners who is also a seminarian, in your prayers.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP TEACH RCIA

Please consider helping Fr. Steven to teach those who wish to become Catholics. Material will be provided. RCIA classes will begin at the end of September and run weekly until around Easter. The best way to learn and grow in our faith is to teach it. Please speak to Fr. Steven if interested. Also consider the following RCIA Formation Day on June 22 at Our Lady Queen of Poland Church (625 Middlefield Rd., Scarborough) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The cost is \$30 and includes lunch. Please RSVP by June 12. For more information please see the poster at http://bit.ly/june22poster. To register online please go to http://bit.ly/rciastruggle

ST. ANTHONY'S FEAST DAY

will be celebrated on Sunday June 16 with a High Mass at 12 noon followed by the blessing of bread and children, a Procession and a potluck lunch.

Please do not bring any bread. Remember to drop off the food for donation to the potluck before the Mass in the hall. All are Welcome.

There will also be a Mass on Thursday June 13 at 7:30 pm

EXITING PARKING LOT OR DROPPING PEOPLE OFF

Please try to exit though the school or <u>turn right only</u>, when driving out of the parking lot. If you are dropping someone off or picking them up, please don't block the flow of traffic, especially in the church driveway.

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Please make a sacrificial gift to ShareLife through your parish or sharelife.org

Our Parish Goal: \$43,000.00

Our Parish Collection to Date: \$ 36,895.00

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

On Saturday June 22, at 6:15 p.m. in the parish hall, we will be showing the movie "I Can Only Imagine". It is based on a true story about a young man fleeing a troubled home life and a broken relationship. He finds escape and consolation in his music and goes on the road with his band. His life is transformed when he experiences God's love and the power of forgiveness. The movie is free, pizza and pop will be available for \$5. Fr. Steven will lead a discussion during half time and after the movie. Please notify the CWL in the Gift Shop to indicate that you will be attending, so they know how much pizza to order.

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Before Jesus leaves His chosen Apostles and Disciples, "He enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak, for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

As we recognize and celebrate the ongoing presence of the Spirit in our lives, let us with renewed hearts, share and serve the less fortunate - our neighbours in need. Your generous contribution to the POOR BOX is a faithful expression of the Holy Spirit - the spirit of charity, compassion and love. Thanks to all those who prepared the T&L casseroles for the Good Shepherd Centre.

Bundle Up Weekend is on June 15/16. The container will be in the parking lot on these dates.