

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FROM: DOCAT
Power and Morality
The Political Community

225. On what ethical principles should the Church's productive coexistence with the State be based?

The Church demands what is implied by the universal principles of religious freedom: freedom of expression and teaching, freedom of public worship and organizational freedom, freedom to appoint her own officials, freedom to construct houses of worship, the right to own private property and also to associate for various educational, cultural, medical, and charitable purposes.

226. Is the law a sufficient framework for people and for institutions to coexist?

No. In order for people to get along and for institutions to work together well, it is never enough to define "social justice" merely in terms of principles, rights and duties. Also needed is something like fellowship among citizens, "civic spirit" or "social charity". A Christian social ethic worthy of the name does not stop at principles, rights, and duties. It also calls us to take to heart our real-life neighbor with his problems and needs and thus to obey Christ's command to love our neighbor as ourselves for love of God.

227. How does one show "civic spirit"?

Civic spirit is above all solidarity in practice. A society that cares only for "justice" in the abstract is cold and inhumane. Back in the Middle Ages, Thomas Aquinas knew that justice without love is ultimately horrible. For justice looks only at the universal; it does not regard the human being in his particularity. But that is precisely the distinctive Christian characteristic; the fact that Christians do not judge everyone alike. They know that the other person has a name, a face, and a whole individual history.

'VOCATION SEEDS'

We cannot serve two masters. Which one are you willing to follow? Could it be you are being called to serve the Master as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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 September 21:

5:00 pm +Edward Fernandes
+Merl Fernandes
+Bo Pui King
Deceased Members of Patterson and
Nugara Families
Souls in Purgatory
In Thanksgiving of Myla Lat
In Thanksgiving of Tamara O'Brien
Isabella Ng

Sunday September 22:

9:00 am +Chung-Hon & Piu-Ching Ngan

10:30 am +Teresa & Santiago Garin

12:00 pm Pro - Populo

Monday September 23:

9:00 am +Maria Olga de Souza

Tuesday September 24:

9:00 am Maria Georgina Jose

Wednesday September 25:

7:30 pm +Dominador Rodis

Thursday September 26:

9:00 am Deceased Members of Ferrao Family

Friday September 27:

9:30 am Celebrant's Intention

7:30 pm In Honour of St. Vincent de Paul

Saturday September 28:

9:00 am Celebrant's Intention

NEEDS OF THE CHURCH IN CANADA

September 28 - 29

Every year, the Bishops of Canada appeal for financial assistance. This collection helps each diocese make its annual contribution to the national Episcopal Conference of Catholic Bishops and to the respective regional Episcopal assembly. Any additional funds from this collection are at the disposal of the diocese for its own pastoral needs. Contributing to this collection is an act of collaboration with the Bishops in their ministry of teaching, sanctifying and pastoral governance. Collection envelopes will be distributed this weekend for next weekend second collection. Please take one.

September 22, 2019

WISHING TO BECOME CATHOLIC OR CATHOLICS WHO NEED TO BE CONFIRMED

Consider signing up for the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) Course which will be on Monday nights at 7:30 pm, starting Monday September 30th. Please contact Fr. Steven.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE AT ST. AIDAN'S

The 2019 marriage preparation program will commence on October 26. Please note this program is held once a year, hence, couples planning to marry by December 2020 can register for it. For more information, kindly contact Aggie Gomez at 416 292 5707.

ST. AIDAN'S PARISH YOUTH EVENT

Inviting all high schools students and students grade six and up. You are invited to come out for an afternoon of games, movie, and other fun on Sunday September 29th from 2-5 pm in the church hall.

PARISH VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS

We encourage you to consider joining one of our Church Ministries or Parish Groups. The Social Committee of St. Aidan's Parish invites you to an open house. On the weekend of October 5 and 6, after every Mass in the Church Hall you will have an opportunity to meet volunteers of every Church group and decide for yourself which group might interest you.

RELICS OF ST. BROTHER ANDRE

of St. Joseph's Oratory is coming to St. Lawrence Martyr Parish on **October 8th from 6pm to 9pm. Program is as follows:**

Holy Mass

Presentation on the life of St. Brother Andre

Eucharistic Adoration & Anointing of the Holy Spirit

Veneration of the Relic of St. Brother Andre

Blessing with St. Joseph's oil

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"We should assist the poor in every way and do it both by ourselves and by enlisting the help of others. To do this is to preach the Gospel by words and works". (St. Vincent de Paul)

Thank You for your kind contribution to the POOR BOX after the Masses. This helps families in the Parish who are in need.

On September 27 the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Vincent de Paul, the Patron of our society. We pray through his intercession the grace to carry on our ministry in love to the less fortunate in our Parish.

NOT RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

There may be many reasons as to why someone might not receive Holy Communion. If you are not receiving, you can either stay in your pew or come forward with everyone else, cross your arms in front of you to receive a blessing; with each hand crossed towards the opposite shoulder.

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

On Saturday September 28th, at 6:15 pm in the parish hall, we will be showing the movie, "Unplanned". It is based on a true story about Abby Johnson. All she ever wanted to do was help women. As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, she believed in a woman's right to choose abortion. One day she saw something that changed everything. The movie may not be suitable for young children. 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 will know how much pizza to order.

SEPTEMBER 28/29 WEEKEND MASSES

Cardinal Thomas Collins has announced that the feast day of St. Michael on Sunday, September 29, 2019, will be recognized as a Solemnity in all parishes of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Instead of the Sunday Mass and readings, the Feast of St. Michael, with the accompanied readings, will be celebrated at all Sunday Masses. We will have Deacon Mark Neugebauer assisting and preaching at all the Sunday Masses.

LIFE CHAIN

Life Chain will take place on Sunday, October 6th from 2 to 3 PM at the corner of Finch and Warden. While praying individually, we will hold signs such as: Abortion Kills Children. Please come out and support this good cause to help defend the unborn and to protect women from the harmful effects of abortion. This event is being coordinated by the Knights of Columbus of St. Aidan's and we will be joined by other parishes also.

EXITING PARKING LOT OR DROPPING PEOPLE OFF

Please try to exit through the school or **turn right only**, 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.

We must have confidence in God, who is what He always has been, and we must not be disheartened because things turn out contrary to us.

- Saint Philip Neri -