

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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**FROM: DOCAT**  
**ONE WORLD ONE HUMANITY**  
**The Issue of Fair Trade**

**251. What problems arise in regard to worldwide trade?**

In the wake of globalization, trade relations between countries throughout the world have also become closer. This has helped some countries; in many others, nevertheless, it has aggravated social and ecological problems. Of course, in selecting my purchases as an individual consumer, I have very few opportunities to influence the way trade is structured. Therefore it is important for national governments to deal with this problem or else for organizations to be founded that advocate trade structures that are more just.

**252. What is fair trade?**

Fair trade refers to commerce that is conducted according to definite principles of *justice (fairness)*. Various fair trade organizations determine these principles and coordinate the trade relations. They promote greater justice in international trade inasmuch as they strengthen the rights of the producers (such as small farmers and plantation owners) and contribute to a *sustained* development in the countries in question. In order to achieve this, they commit themselves to a *dialogue* between the trade partners, to greater *transparency* about production and trade relations, and also respect for all the actors involved.

**253. What measures are taken to promote fair trade?**

First, opportunities are created for economically disadvantaged producers to take an active part in the trade system in the first place and to become more independent. Socially just production methods, good work conditions (pay, hours, prohibition of child labour, etc.), and also equal rights for women are fostered. At the same time, environmental standards are developed. Long-term “partnership” relations between countries should also be established.

**‘VOCATION SEEDS’**

“ See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.” Are you one to be sent? Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister in order to help our world of today to truly “prepare the way of the Lord”? If God is calling you,

**contact Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation Director,**  
**Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997**  
**email: vocations@archtoronto.org**  
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**No one, however weak, is denied a share in the victory of the cross. No one is beyond the help of the prayer of Christ.**  
**- Saint Leo the Great -**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday December 14:**

5:00 pm +Guilherme & Esther De Souza  
+Maria & Rafael Atizado  
+Inacio Fernandez  
+Gladys D’Souza  
+Camelo & Rita Meneze  
Deceased Members of Patterson and  
Nugara Families  
Deceased Members of Camantigue and  
Romero Families  
Wedding Anniversary of Henry and  
Ophelia Ng

**Sunday December 15:**

9:00 am In Thanksgiving of Vic Atienza  
10:30 am +Noel Geniza  
12:00 pm Pro - Populo

**Monday December 16:**

9:00 am +Luiza Pinto

**Tuesday December 17:**

9:00 am +Maria & Rafael Atizado

**Wednesday December 18:**

7:30 pm +Manuel & Maggie Braganza Alphonso

**Thursday December 19:**

9:00 am +Stanley Zupan

**Friday December 20:**

9:30 am Celebrant’s Intention

7:30 pm +Jason Cumming

**Saturday December 21**

9:00 am Celebrant’s Intention

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

In Thanksgiving of Nicklas Rieck

Novalis Living with Christ for the month of January  
2020 @ \$4.00 each

**When we have been to Holy Communion, the balm  
of love envelopes the soul as the flower  
envelops the bee.**  
**- St. John Vianney -**

# December 15, 2019

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## MASS ETIQUETTE AND INFORMATION

Preparation for Mass and thanksgiving after Mass helps us get more out of Mass and enables us to receive more of the graces and blessings that come to us through the Mass. A preparation prayer as well as a thanksgiving prayer are printed on our pew cards. We may not grasp or understand that our attentive and devout participation in Mass will benefit us more than anything else for this life and for the next.

## CHALICE CHRISTMAS CATALOGUE

Chalice is a Canadian Catholic child sponsorship organization supporting nearly 50,000 children and their families in developing countries. This catalogue offers you the opportunity to purchase a gift on behalf of a loved-one while at the same time helping needy families. You will find gifts to fit every budget and will receive an official tax receipt. For more information, please call 1-800-776-6855 or visit [www.chalice.ca](http://www.chalice.ca), or contact your local Chalice champion, Patricia Lobo at 416-492-5670.

## 2020 DONATION ENVELOPES

are available in the foyer and arranged in **numerical order**. Please take **ONLY** the box with your name on it; use these envelopes starting **January 1, 2020** and **discard your 2019 unused envelopes**.

New parishioners who wish to use donation envelopes, please register in the gift shop.

## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Tel: 647 772 1319

[www.svdptoronto.org](http://www.svdptoronto.org)

“Then the righteous will answer Him and say: ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you? And the King will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatsoever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.’” ( Matthew 25:37-40)

Thank you for your response to the Lord Jesus’ exhortation - for your bags of clothes, etc. dropped off for last weekend Bundle-Up collection. Also, for your donations to the Poor Boxes. At this time, you are encouraged to use SVP Christmas donation envelopes located at the back of the Church and income tax receipts will be issued at year end.

## 2019 CHRISTMAS and 2020 NEW YEAR PROGRAMME

### Tuesday December 24: Christmas Eve

9:00 am Mass  
6:30 pm Christmas Carols  
7:00 pm Mass  
8:30 pm Christmas Carols  
9:00 pm Mass  
11:30 pm Christmas Carols  
12:00 Midnight Mass

### Wednesday December 25: Christmas Day

Mass: 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12 Noon  
**No Evening Mass**

### Tuesday December 31: New Year’s Eve

9:00 am Mass  
5:00 pm Mass

### Wednesday January 1, 2020: New Year’s Day

Mass: 9:00 am; 10:30 am; 12 Noon  
**No Evening Mass**

## PARISH CONFESSIONS

### in Preparation for Christmas

On **Tuesday December 17**, there will be a few priests available to hear your confession 7:00pm to 9:00pm. May our hearts be pure as we prepare for the coming of Jesus.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### 2020 Ontario Charities Lottery

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

Draw Date: May 29, 2020

Grand Prize of \$200,000 \$5.00 per Ticket

500 Prizes valued at over \$500,000

With your support we will be able to help those in need!

## THANK YOU

### from Good Shepherd Ministries

Thank you for participating in our 2019 Thanksgiving Food Drive. It is because of your compassionate action and generous support that the drive was a success!

Thank you for your care as well as hospitality to those who walk through our doors looking for support.

**Thank you for making a difference!**