

ST MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH KITENGELA

CATHOLIC MEN ASSOCIATION  
WORKSHOP NOTES

HELD ON Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017

At the church

# CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY

# Topics

Participation in CMA

Faith

Possible activities: social, economic, spiritual

Participation in Church

Family: responsibility as head

# FOUR LEVELS

1.PERSONAL

2.FAMILY

3.CHURCH

4.COUNTRY

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**9.45 to 12.15 – Personal and Family**

**12.15 to 2.30 – Church and Country**

# Bibliography (family library)

1. Catholic Bible
2. Catechism of the Catholic Church
3. Compendium of the CCC
4. Simple Catechism for children
5. Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church
6. Prayer book
7. *Familiaris consortio* – St. John Paul II
8. *Humanae vitae* – Bl Paul VI
9. *Donum vitae* - Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith
10. Gospel of life - St. John Paul II
11. The Joy of Love – Pope Francis
12. Preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage
13. Priests and laity
14. Ethics in the internet
15. Documents of the Vatican II

# 1. PERSONAL

*Faith & Morals*

*Health*

*Work*

## *Faith & Morals – 2Timothy 4:8*

Faith: the act of believing: CCC 155

Mark 16:15

1 Timothy 4: 16

2 Timothy 2: 16-18



## Morality:

**Sense of responsibility means cultivating virtues in yourself ,  
1Timothy 4:7b, **by study and practice and avoiding occasions of sin  
and receiving the sacraments as source of grace needed to live good  
lives.****

Morality means Goodness or evilness of our acts: CCC 1950-1960

Exodus 20: 9-11 (Repeat)

Ephesians 4: 17-32 New life in Christ.

1Timothy 6: 6-10 (Money)

1Timothy 6: 17-19 (Money)

Etc.

Health

Mark 6: 31

1Timothy 5: 23

**Videos on Water and Salt**

# Work & Rest

Genesis 2:15

Exodus 20: 9-11



# Work

## Characteristics

- **Honest** — Exodus 20: 15  
“Thou shalt not steal” 7<sup>th</sup>  
Commandment
- **Plenty** — 2 Thessalonians 3: 7
- **Well done** — Leviticus 17: 20

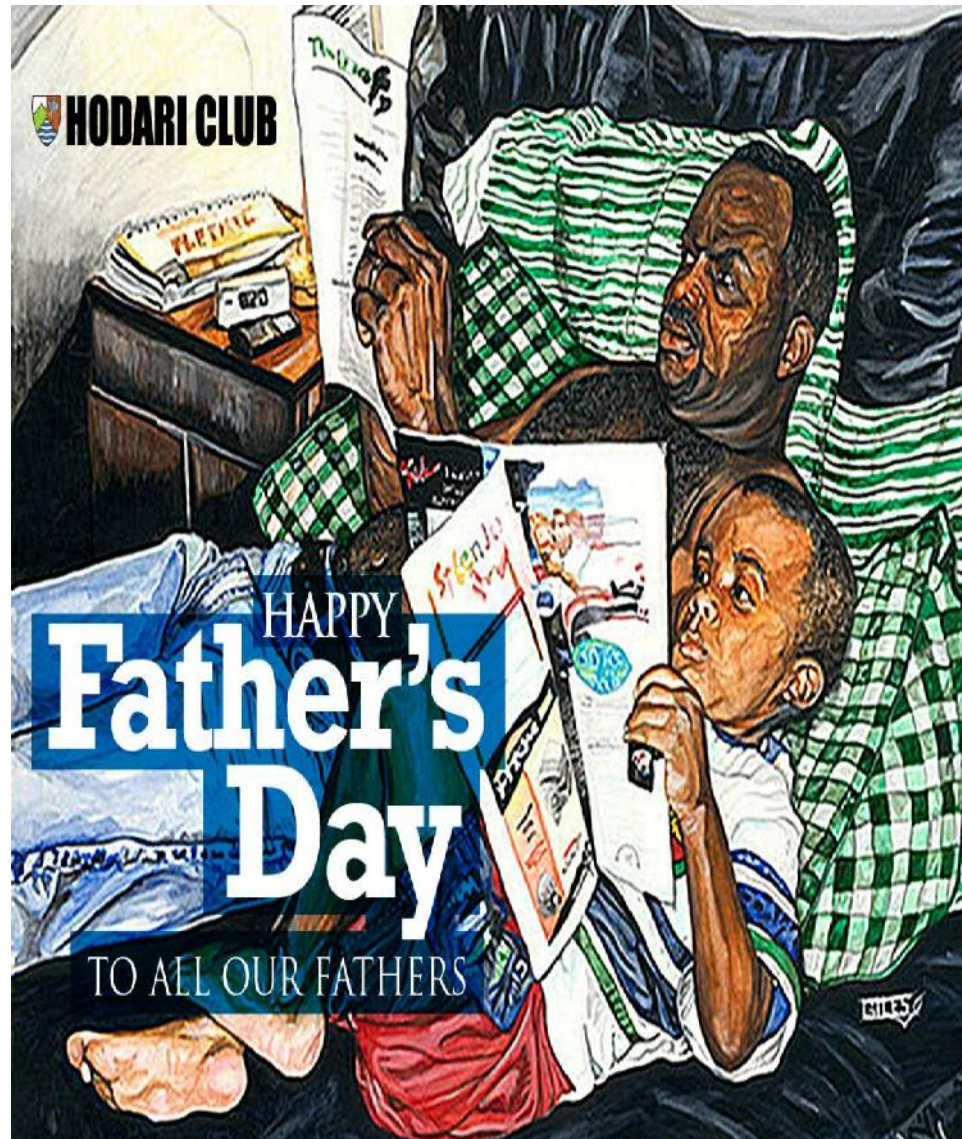


Rest

**Video, enjoy yourself**



Know how  
to rest  
with  
your  
family



2. Family CCC 2204-2233; *Familiaris Consortio*

Origin: Genesis 2:18-25;  
1:27-28

Ephesians 5:21- 6:4

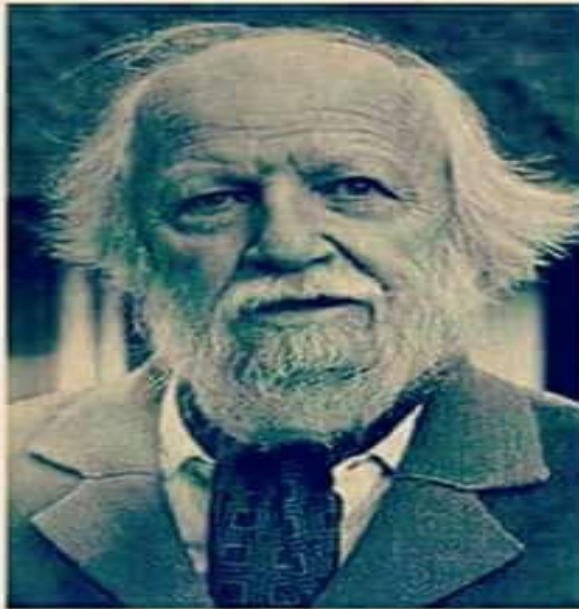
Colossians 3: 18-21

1Petr 3: 7

Wife: **Video,**  
men's brains  
and women's  
brains

Honour  
your wife

**Now here's a man who  
understands women.....**



**William Golding  
British Novelist, Playwright & Poet  
1911 --1993**

I think women are foolish to pretend they are equal to men. They are far superior and always have been. Whatever you give a woman, she will make greater. If you give her sperm, she will give you a baby. If you give her a house, she will give you a home. If you give her groceries, she will give you a meal. If you give her a smile, she will give you her heart. She multiplies and enlarges what is given to her. So, if you give her any crap, be ready to receive a ton of shit!

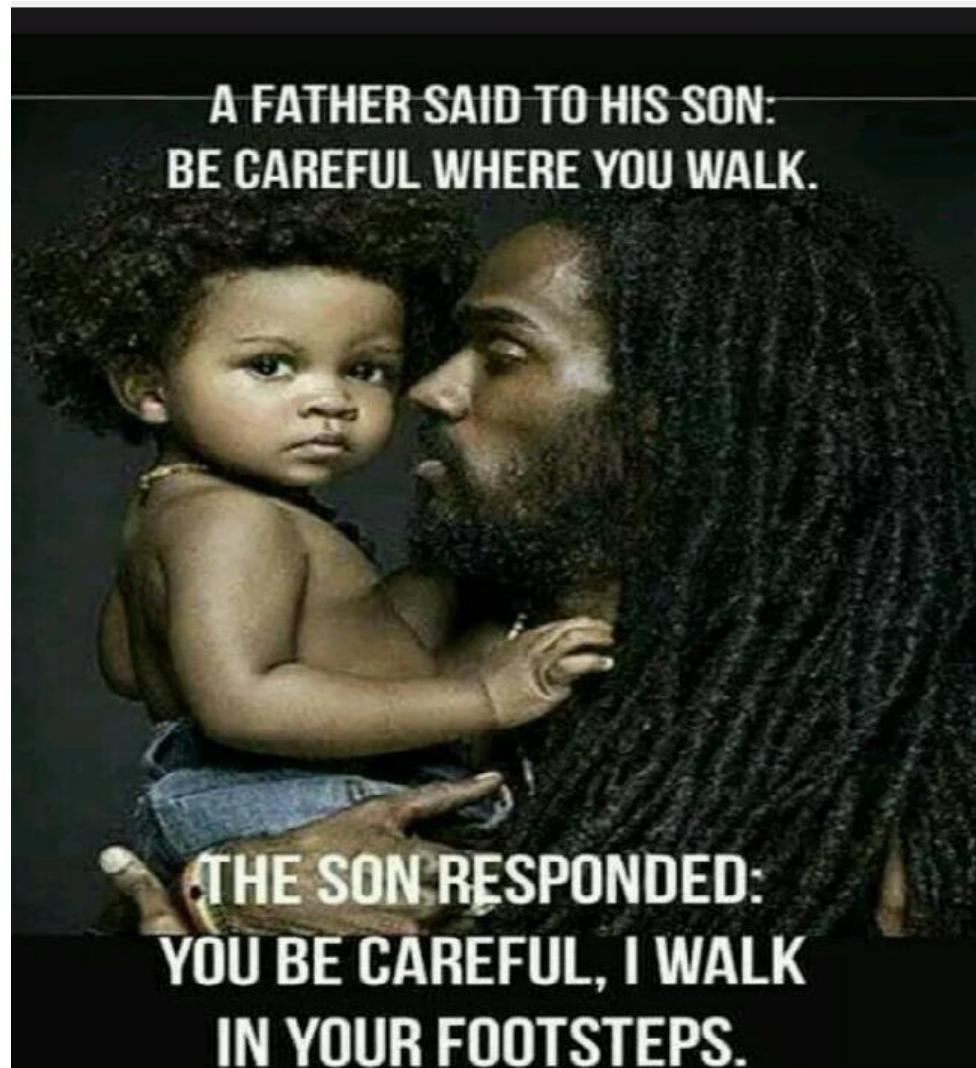
True!



Give your family a dignified life



Responsible  
Parenthood.  
Children.  
*Like father  
like son.*



## Importance and Dignity of Fatherhood

A **FATHER** knows how to firmly correct children's mistakes without demeaning or demoralizing them, as well as protect them at all costs.

A **GOOD FATHER** also knows how to forgive sincerely from the heart and be patient and merciful, like the father in the Gospel account of the prodigal son.

A **WISE** and **MATURE FATHER** will be able to say to his children after they've grown: "I taught you things that you didn't know. I corrected errors that you did not see. I let you feel an affection that was both deep and discreet that perhaps you did not fully recognize when you were young and unsure. I gave you witness of rigor and willpower that perhaps you did not understand when you just wanted complicity and protection."

**Guidance does not come from a father who is  
"weak, yielding and a softie".**

POPE FRANCIS  
Vatican 2015 FEB 04

*Paradomo*  
Credit: funny-pictures

It is irresponsible to delay the sacraments:  
Married in Church?



# Teach your children good habits: virtues

## **The day that Albert Einstein feared has arrived**



**Coffee with friends**



**A Day in Beach**



**Cheering your team**



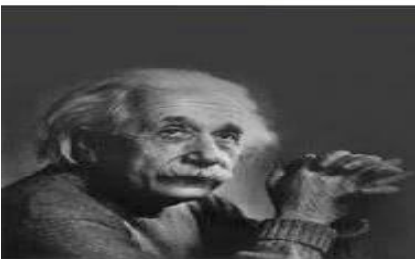
**Out on a date**



**Enjoying the sights**



**having dinner**



**"I fear the day that technology will surpass our human interaction. The world will have a generation of idiots"**

**-Albert Einstein**

Children and cell phones

**Videos on cell phones**

END SESSION  
ONE

# 3. Church

Jobs, Fr cannot do everything.

Acts 6: 1-7

“Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Proch'orus, and Nica'nor, and Timon, and Par'menas, and Nicola'us, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them.

And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.”



Meetings – Mass, CMA, PPC, SCC etc

Hebrews 10:25

“and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another”

# Liturgy

Active participation: readings, collections, youth, PMC, choir etc

# Obedience

- Hebrews 13: 17

Obey your leaders and submit to them; for they are keeping watch over your souls, as men who will have to give account. Let them do this joyfully, and not sadly, for that would be of no advantage to you.

# Financial responsibilities

2Cor 8: 1-15; 2Cor 9:1-15

Buildings, car, sacred vessels and vestments

# Riara Chalice



# Unity

United we stand, divided we fall!!!!

St. Josemaria Escriva, The Way: 445 Gossip is a disease that infects and poisons the apostolate. It goes against charity, means a waste of energy, takes away peace and destroys one's union with God.

449 Call it by its name: grumbling, gossiping, back-biting, mischief making, tale-bearing, scandal-mongering, intrigue..., slander..., treachery? Self-appointed critics sitting in judgment easily end up as 'gossiping old maids'!

United we stand, divided we fall!!!!

**Gossips  
are worse  
than thieves**  
because they steal another  
person's dignity, honor,  
reputation and credibility,  
which are impossible to restore.  
So remember this: When  
your feet slips, yo can always  
recover your balance but  
when your tongue slips  
you cannot recover  
your words.

- Karen Salmansohn

"GOSSIP IS THE  
DEVIL'S RADIO  
SO DON'T BE  
HIS DJ"  
(Eph 4:29)



United we stand, divided we fall!!!!

Video

“United we stand”

Foster vocations, starting with your children

# Pray for priests

**Atukuzwe Baba.**

**298. Sala** ya Kuwaombea Akinamama Wanaowashawishi

*Mapadri*

Ee Mama Bikira Maria Mama wa Mapadri sikia kilio cha wanao wanaokutumaini. Uwakinge mapadri wako na akinamama washawishi na wenye nia za kuwateka na kuwaangusha katika wito wao mtakatifu (*hapa taja majina ya akinamama unaowafahamu*). Wapo wanaotumia fedha, utajiri, zawadi, lugha nzuri, ili kuwateka mapadri wako kimapenzi. Hawatambui thamani ya wito wa upadri na kuwa roho za watu zinaangamia kwa Padri mmoja kumwacha Mungu na kugeukia dhambi. Fichua mbinu zao hizo na kuwakemea kwa tabia hizo mbaya, wajengee hofu ndani ya mioyo yao ya kumwona Padri kama Kristo mwingine. Kwa njia ya Kristo Bwana wetu. Amina. **Baba Yetu, Salamu Maria, Atukuzwe Baba.**

## 4. Country

Origin - Acts 17:26 “And he made from one every nation of men to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their habitation, 27 that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel after him and find him.:

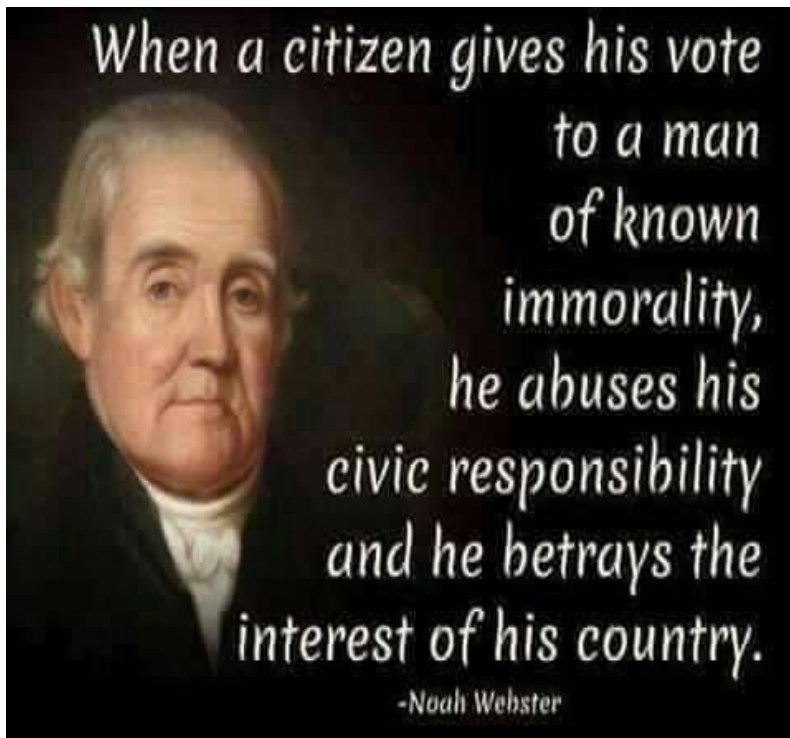
## Prayer for the leaders

1Timothy 2: 1-4 “1 First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all men, 2 for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life, godly and respectful in every way. 3 This is good, and it is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.”

# Obedience

Romans 13: 1-7 “Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore he who resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Would you have no fear of him who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God's servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain; he is the servant of God to execute his wrath on the wrongdoer. Therefore one must be subject, not only to avoid God's wrath but also for the sake of conscience. For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing. Pay all of them their dues, taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honor to whom honor is due.”

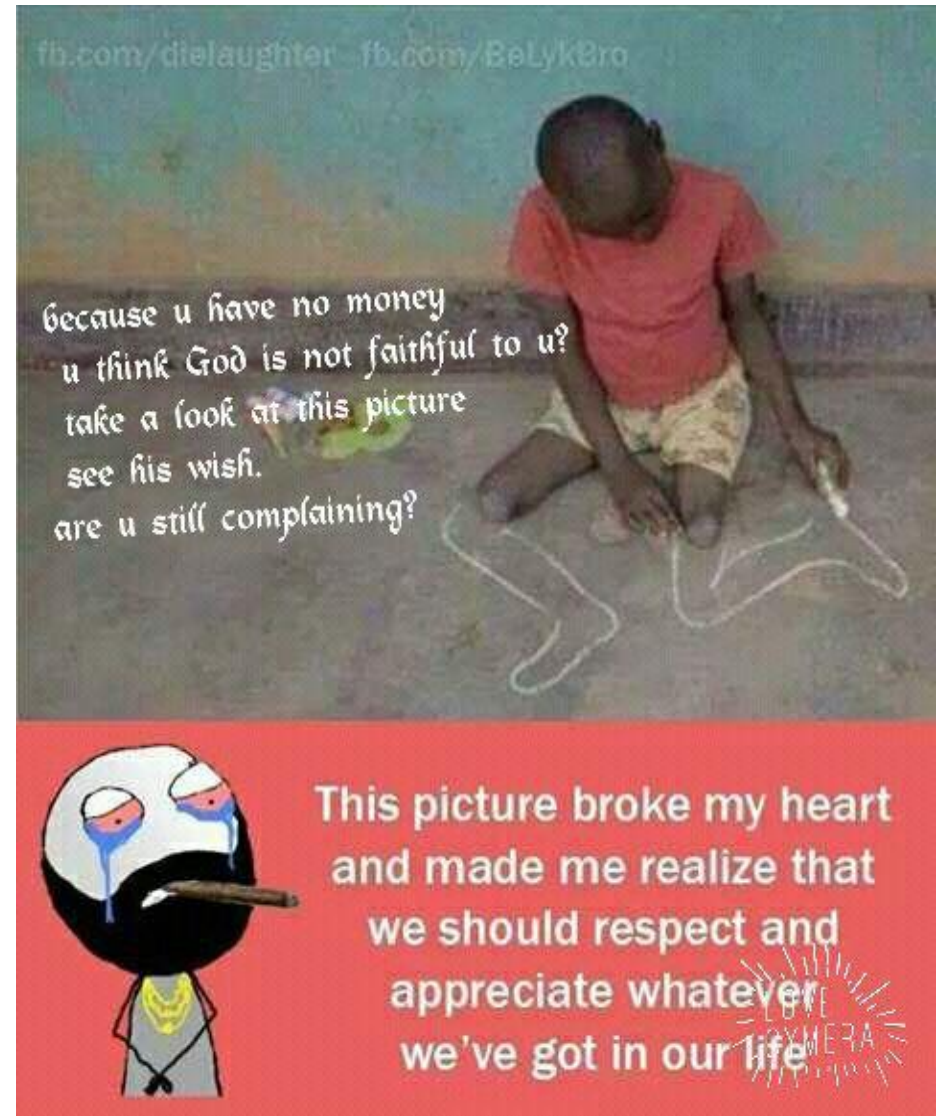
Vote freely, not necessarily for party but for individuals with an agenda, leading ability and morally upright.



Once elected, we have to be subject to them (as long as what they command is not a sin). 1Peter 2: 13-17 "Be subject for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether it be to the emperor as supreme, or to governors as sent by him to punish those who do wrong and to praise those who do right. For it is God's will that by doing right you should put to silence the ignorance of foolish men. Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God. Honour all men. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the emperor."

Social responsibility  
(personally not just corporate).

Quite selfish, the scene leads him to appreciate what he has, it does not move him to help!





Video:

**Rwanda survivor (Negative ethnicity) and  
Action orphans 1&2**