



October 13, 2024

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Respect Life Month Continues

Building Faith@HOME

[1st Reading - Wis 7:7-11](#)

[Responsorial Psalm - Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17](#)

[Second Reading - Heb 4:12-13](#)

[Gospel - Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27](#)

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Mark 10:17-30 recounts the story of the rich young man who approaches Jesus to ask what he must do to inherit eternal life. In this passage, Jesus tells him to keep the commandments and, when the young man claims he has done so, Jesus challenges him to sell all he has and give to the poor, promising that he will have treasure in heaven. The young man, however, goes away sad because he has many possessions.

While this passage does not explicitly present the Beatitudes, it does reflect some of the values found in them, particularly regarding detachment from wealth and the call to humility and service. In today's reading, Jesus talks about how difficult it is for the rich to enter the Kingdom of God, which aligns with the Beatitude that states, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Luke 6:20 and Matthew 5:3).

"Today's Gospel might make us uncomfortable about our possessions. This discomfort offers us an opportunity to consider our possessions and our family's commitment to the poor. Material possessions are a necessity in our culture. Our use of these possessions and our attitude about the importance is our choice, however. As one of the social teachings of the Catholic Church, the **preferential option for the poor**, is a choice we can make with the awareness that our faith in Jesus commits us to show our care for the poor." [Sunday Connection, Loyola Press](#)

Oct. 15 -Celebrate St. Teresa of Avila, Doctor of the Church.

Make this easy version of French Toast for breakfast and use her prayer as part of today's blessing.

Pan de Santa Teresa ~ St. Teresa's Bread

*Let nothing disturb you,
Let nothing frighten you,
All things are passing away:
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things
Whoever has God lacks nothing;
God alone suffices.*



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-- St. Teresa of Avila, pray for us!

Oct. 18 - Celebrate St. Luke the Apostle,, Evangelizer, and Patron saint of artists.

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Did you know that....

...the Magnificat prayer is only found in the Gospel of St. Luke

...the Magnificat is the first prayer of the Church

...the Magnificat emphasizes themes of social justice, such as God's **preferential option for the poor** and the oppressed. It speaks of God scattering the proud and lifting up the lowly, which resonates with the teachings of Jesus.

Family Table Talk

As disciples of Jesus, how can we take stock of the things we own? Are there possessions in our home that we don't need or use anymore?

How might we, as a family, share these unused possessions with those who are in need?

What other ways can we as a family demonstrate our family's commitment to helping the poor, following Jesus' example of selflessness and generosity?

Prayer of the Week: Pray for Joy and Wisdom!

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain wisdom of heart. (Psalm 90:12-13)

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Can we Follow Jesus?



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More Faith Builders!



Listen, Learn and Pray!

Here are some things for you to listen.

St. Teresa of Avila

Listen and learn about this saint, a doctor of the Church! 1m30sec. From Franciscan Media.

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Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary

St. Teresa found joy in the Lord. As we continue the Month of the Rosary, you can pray the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary with this audio.

bit.ly/Joyful-Mysteries-for-Kids



Download this coloring sheet of St. Teresa of Avila

bit.ly/St-Teresa-Coloring-Sheet



Look it up! What does the Bible say about caring for the poor?

Respect Life Month Continues with an understanding about Catholic Social Justice Teachings. The Catholic Church Teachings on Social Justice teaches us to have “preferential option for the poor”. This teaching is from Scripture. Here are just a few of the many Scriptural references:

Exodus 22:20-26

Proverbs 31:8-9

Sirach 4:1-10

Isaiah 58:5-7

Luke 4:16-21

Luke 6:20-23

This Week's Challenge:

Look up each of the short scripture passages about caring for the poor. Learn what the bible says about caring for the poor. Which is your favorite?

What can you do this week to serve the poor?



More About St. Luke

Ancient Christian tradition says that St. Luke was an artist who painted the first icons. The oldest painted images of Jesus and Mary are attributed to St. Luke, including *Our Lady of Vladimir*, *Our Lady of Czestochowa*, *Salus Populi Romani*, and *Our Lady of Perpetual Help*.



Our Lady of Vladimir



Our Lady of Perpetual Help



Parents' Corner

Make the Connection: Apples & Faith



October in Central New York is all about apples! What can parents teach about God from apples? Parents, read this short article, “Teaching about God Through Apples” for inspiration and reflection. Then, with your family, bake some apple crisp or apple pies!

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