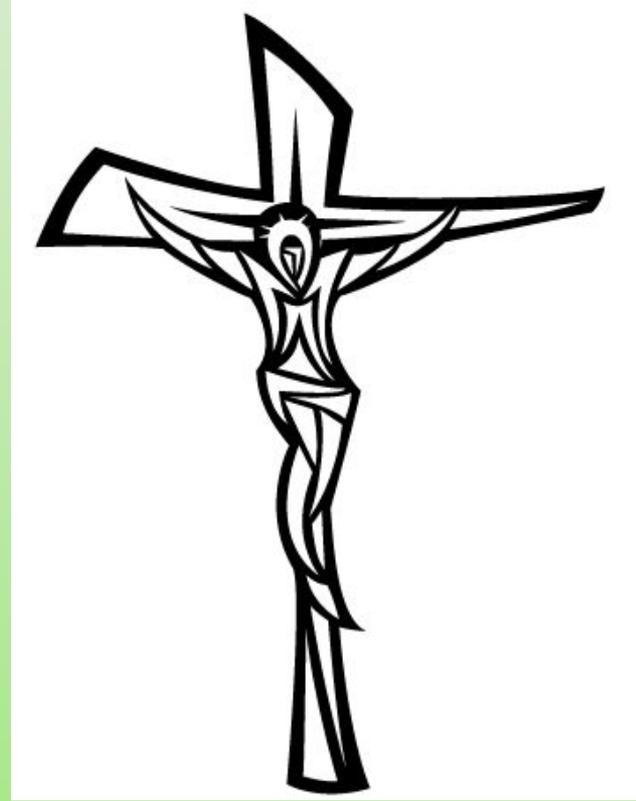


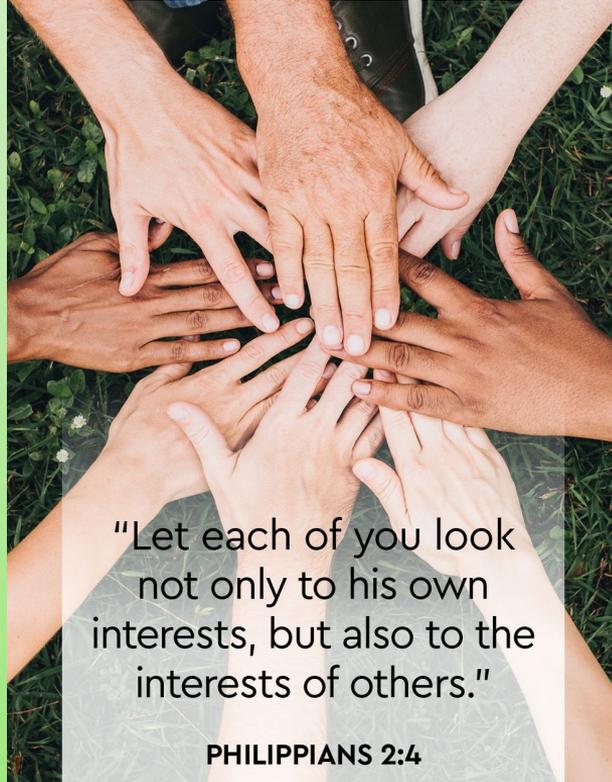
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In the name of the Father,
And of the Son,
And of the Holy Spirit
Amen



Our Liturgy theme is Helping Others



"Let each of you look
not only to his own
interests, but also to the
interests of others."

PHILIPPIANS 2:4

Peace be with you
And with your spirit



We light our candle to remind us of
Christ's presence with us as we gather
+In the name of the Father ...

Opening Prayer

Loving God, every one of us is special and loved by you. Help us to do all that we can so that everyone throughout the world has enough to eat.

Amen

Today, we hear the story of two men, one of whom is rich and feasts every day on good food. The other man, Lazarus, is poor and he longs for something to eat. This story helps us to see how we should treat one another. Let's think a bit more about this now.

Lord Jesus, you are there for us always, even when we stray. For the times we have turned our back on you: Lord, have mercy

LORD HAVE MERCY

Christ Jesus, time and again you teach us how to live in a way that brings light and life to the world. For the times we have ignored your words: Christ, have mercy.

CHRIST HAVE MERCY

Lord Jesus, you show us the way to forgive others. For the times we have not forgiven others: Lord, have mercy.

LORD HAVE MERCY



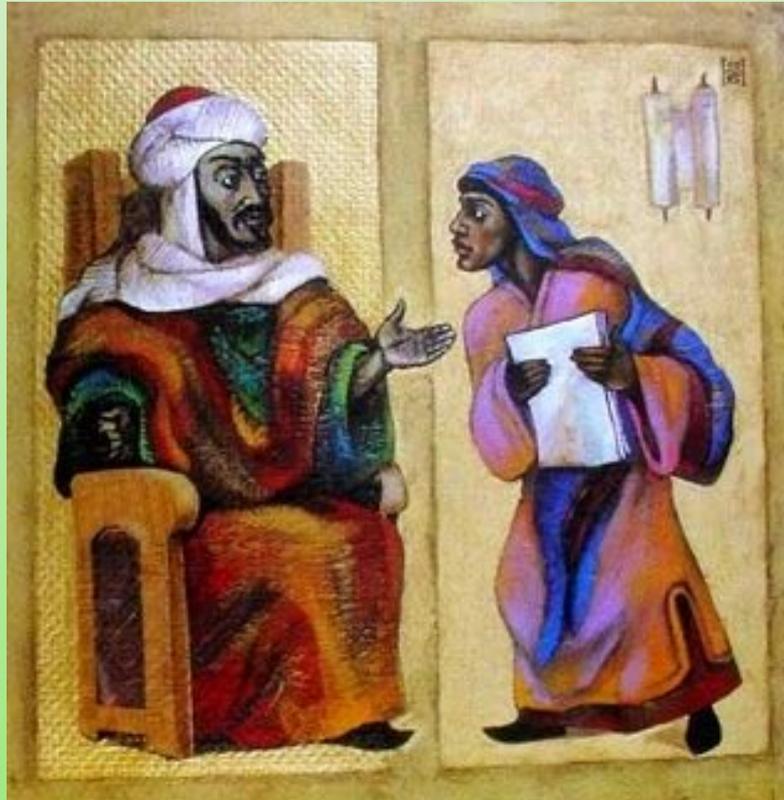
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A reading from the Gospel according to Luke
Glory to you, O Lord



“There was once a rich man who dressed in the most expensive clothes and lived in great luxury every day. There was also a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who used to be brought to the rich man's door, hoping to eat the bits of food that fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

The poor man died and was carried by the angels to sit beside Abraham at the feast in heaven. The rich man died and was buried, and in Hades, where he was in great pain, he looked up and saw Abraham, far away, with Lazarus at his side. So he called out, 'Father Abraham! Take pity on me, and send Lazarus to dip his finger in some water and cool my tongue, because I am in great pain in this fire!'

But Abraham said, 'Remember, my son, that in your lifetime you were given all the good things, while Lazarus got all the bad things. But now he is enjoying himself here, while you are in pain. Besides all that, there is a deep pit lying between us, so that those who want to cross over from here to you cannot do so, nor can anyone cross over to us from where you are.'

Abraham said, 'Your brothers have Moses and the prophets to warn them; your brothers should listen to what they say.' The rich man answered, 'That is not enough, father Abraham! But if someone were to rise from death and go to them, then they would turn from their sins.' But Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone were to rise from death.'"

Time to reflect on God's words for us
today.



What do you remember from today's reading?



The rich man wears fine clothes and feasts every day on the best food that he can get. He has more than he needs.

Lazarus sits outside the rich man's gate. He is poor and he is hungry. He wishes that he could eat the leftovers that fall from the rich man's table.

What does the rich man do to help Lazarus?

How do you think Lazarus feels about being ignored while the rich man eats his tasty food?

What do you think about how the rich man treats Lazarus?

What do you think the rich man should do?

What would you do?

Why do you think Jesus told this story?

God created the world with enough food for everyone. But we are not sharing fairly.

Some of us are like the rich man and we have more food that we can eat.

Some of us are like Lazarus and go to bed hungry every night.

How does hearing this story make you feel?

What do you think we can do to make sure everyone has enough to eat?

We can take no more than we need, share any extra that we have and we can ask the government to fix our broken food system.

Every single person in the world is special. We are all loved by God. And every single person in our big global family has the right to enough to live a healthy life.

But some of us aren't able to get enough food. This is a big problem.

And it's not easy to solve.

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Can you think of a time when you've hoped a problem would just go away?

What happened?

This rich man in Jesus' story is a bit like this. He ignores Lazarus, even though Lazarus is right outside his gate and he walks past him every day.

What lesson do you think we can learn from this story?

That ignoring something doesn't help the problem to go away, that we have to think about more than just ourselves, that we need to try to listen to Jesus and treat others as we would like to be treated.

God calls us to share what we have and to do all that we can to help each other get enough to eat. God asks us not to ignore each other, but to reach out and help one another.

What could you do to help make sure that all people here and around the world have enough to eat?

The response is: Hear our prayer.

We are all God's children and so we pray together...

We pray for world leaders: that they may make wise decisions for the good of all people, so that everyone may have enough to eat. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for those who go hungry: that they may know that they are not forgotten and that together we can work so that all people have enough to eat. Lord in your mercy...

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may share what we may be moved to share what we can with our brothers and sisters here and around the world. Lord in your mercy...



We ask Mother Mary to join us in our prayers,
as we say together:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee,
Blessed art thou among women and blessed is
the fruit of thy womb Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners
now and at the hour of our death. Amen

Closing prayer

Generous God, you created the world with enough food for all to share. Help us to play our part in making sure that all people can have their fair share of food to eat. We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

This week, let us show our faith in action by:

- Sharing what food we have with others.
- Ensuring that we only take what we need so that there is always some for everyone.

THANKS BE TO GOD



Our faith in action



Last week, we were focusing on the Gospel Value of **Justice** and the Virtue of **Prudence**. We celebrated those children who had shown them through their actions and choices.

This week, let us show the Gospel Value of **Integrity**.



Our Virtue this week is **Charity**.





GOOD WILL
COME TO THOSE
WHO ARE GENEROUS
AND LEND
FREELY.

- Psalm 112:5

