# Gospel October 24, 2021. Cycle B. Sunday 30th Week Ordinary Time TELL YOUR EXPERIENCE



# **ENRICHES US ALL**

### SETTING

Today October 24, we celebrate the MISSION SUNDAY, Sunday under the motto, "TELL WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN AND HEARD". Inviting us to be witnesses of what God is and does for us. Since the Apostles, who told their beautiful experience and made the Gospel spread, our Founders, First Sisters and so many people throughout time have moved many hearts to take decisive steps in life.

Do You dare? We are mission and as such, we have this task, to take Jesus into the depths of the world.

### SONG. Bartimeo - Enrique da Fonseca and Pedro Pablo Celis

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E4P42KBdZww

#### GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST MARK . Mark 10, 46b - 52

"At that time, when Jesus was leaving Jericho, accompanied by his disciples and a large crowd, the son of Timaeus (Bartimaeus), a blind beggar, was sitting by the road. He started shouting: "Son of David, Jesus, have mercy on me!" Many rebuked him to be quiet, but he shouted much more: "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." They call out to the blind man, saying: "Cheer up, get up! He's calling you." And he, throwing his cloak, leaped up and came to Jesus. Jesus, turning to him, said: "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him: "Rabbouni, let me see!" Jesus said to him: "Go, your faith has saved you." And instantly he regained his sight and followed him down the road.

#### LET US DEEPEN THE TEXT.

This text is found just after the preceding Sundays, that is, in the last ascent of Jesus to Jerusalem; Jesus has announced, for the third time to his disciples, his passion, his death and his resurrection; then the petition of the sons of Zebedee is given "let us share your glory." Today, they begin the last stage before reaching Jerusalem. And behold, Bartimaeus, the blind beggar, begins to shout: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Mark points out that many of them wanted to silence him; Indeed, this is not the time to attract attention, but: «Bartimaeus shouted even louder: 'Son of David, have mercy on me!' It is not possible to know what his request "have mercy on me" really contains. Because the same expression was used both to beg and to pray. Jesus hears him and says: "Call him", because it is clear that he has decided not to take precautions. This time, instead of correcting the blind man, those close to Jesus encourage him: "Trust, get up; Jesus calls you. " Is this what excuses Bartimaeus' audacity? This time, his request is direct and clear: "Rabbouni, let me see!" Immediately, without making a single gesture, Jesus said to him "Go away, your faith has saved you" and instantly the blind man regained his sight. The miraculous healing of a blind man, at that precise moment, sounds, without a doubt, like a revelation of the true identity of Jesus. He is a blind man, the first who knows how to open his eyes and calls Jesus, "Son of David" (one of the titles of the Messiah); and, (in the Gospel of Saint Mark), this healing is followed by the triumphal entry into Jerusalem, where Jesus will be acclaimed as Messiah: "Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Blessed is the kingdom to come, the kingdom of David our father "We are almost tempted to bring it closer to Jeremiah's text from today's first reading:" The Lord saves his people, the rest of Israel ... Among them there are even the blind and the lame ». (Jr 31). Above all, that this prophecy of Jeremiah was considered, at that time, as an announcement of the Messiah. Curious thing, Jesus does not seek to keep the secret of this last miracle: in chapter 8, Mark had already told an identical miracle: it was in Bethsaida, in Galilee, but then Jesus had not authorized, neither the healed blind man, nor the disciples to make the minimum publicity of the fact. This time, on the contrary, at the gates of Jerusalem, Jesus agrees to be recognized for what he is: the Messiah, the son of David. It is the first time that this title appears in the Gospel of Mark. Because, from here on, things are clear: Jesus himself recognizes himself as the Messiah when he says "Son of man" but he quickly specifies that he will be so with

the way of acting as a servant and not as a teacher. Mark points out that the blind man leaps up to come to Jesus. He, the humble, is the first to rejoice in the Lord.

# Clues for prayer:

- 1. "Courage, get up, he is calling you". What is Jesus calling you to?
- 2. "He threw down the cloak, jumped up and went to where Jesus was." What do you want Jesus to do for you?
- 3. What blinds does Jesus have to heal us from? What blindness do you need to heal in you?
- 4. Today, Mission Sunday, what does Jesus invite you to announce?
- 5.

## LORD, WHEN YOU LOOK, YOU SEE \_\_\_\_

# AMBIENTAL MUSIC. I due fiumi - LUDOVICO EINAUDI

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jqHYQyd3YaU

## TELL IT ... I HAVE SEEN ...

We have experiences to tell. Life becomes experience. With you I can see and hear. the world, its people, its things. Let me see in the small, life also flourishes there, looking for meaning. Let me see your face, where the wound, transfigure and hide the being those fights, looking for the sun and the air, recreating a friendly environment. Let him see your face, in the hungry floating in the mud covering talents. Let him see your face in the sick, in suffering and crying,

in the force that springs, clinging to something. Let him see your face in the traveller, that looks for the course, where to strengthen the step and plant the tent, until he tries again. Let him see your face, in the woman, Always ready to serve everyone. Empowered, with the identity marked in the look, wrapped in the delicate gesture, very human. Let him see your face, in the smile, expression, of the tenderness, of the brother and that inflates life and elevates it, in search of the eternal, so close. Lord, with you I hear and see, I feel like I can change everything. I dream of you and I'm on my way, witness that beautiful announcement. Let all the good sprout in me so you fill my heart every day. Lord, I want to be a missionary of hope and tell You, because I have seen and heard You. We are mission with you, here, there, now. SINGING. BIG IS YOUR LOVE.

## Surge Bravery - Colegio Mayor P. José Kentenich

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