

XXII SUNDAY GOSPEL
28th of August 2022. Cycle C



THAT NOBODY IS LEFT OUT



WITH YOU ALWAYS

SETTING

Being with you, living like you, sharing what you are from what I am, with yours, who are all.

Imagine new paths and journey, configure routes, from where we have to live. Animate lives, welcome circumstances, concerns, feelings, being.

Prayer is the strength and what gives meaning to my life. I am grateful for my life in your life and I wish to walk with all of yours, all of you and express in every little detail the gift of every day life; gift and grace that want to express itself and contribute in the lives of others, the poor, the little ones, the most vulnerable. Close and friendly, grateful, committed.

SONG. HUBMLE ME: Kaleb Brasee

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TH1CQ5qUF4Q>

GOSPEL – Luke 14, 1. 7-14

"On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of one of the leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the Sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the first places, he told them a parable: "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet,, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited both of you may come and say to you, Give this person your place, and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place; so that your host comes, he may say to you, Friend, move up higher; then you will be an honoured in the presence of all who sit at table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. . He also said to the one who had invited him: "When you give a meal or a dinner, do not invite your friends, or your brothers, or your relatives, or your rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

We deepen the Gospel

In the Gospel of Saint Luke, we often find scenes of meals. Today's text tells us one in the house of a Pharisee. Luke places it on a Sabbath day. The importance of the Sabbath in the life of the people of Israel is known. That day is a day of rest, ("Sabbat" in Hebrew means to cease all activity) and the chosen people had made a day of celebration and joy in honour of their God. Feast of the creation of the world, feast of the liberation of the people that came out of Egypt... awaiting the great feast of the Day on which God will renew the entire Creation. In the time of Jesus, the feast existed, and a solemn meal marked that day: a meal that was often the occasion to receive co-religionists; but the ritual prohibitions of the Law had multiplied in such a way that the respect of the prescriptions hid, for some, the essential: **fraternal charity**. That day, at the beginning of the meal, a scene, which does not appear in our liturgical reading, is found in the topics of conversation: Jesus heals a sick man suffering from dropsy (oedema). This gives rise to new discussions around the table, because Jesus is accused of having broken the rule of Sabbath rest. For the Pharisees, maintaining their religious identity rests on a great respect for tradition: this word "tradition" should not be understood in a pejorative way; tradition is the wealth received from parents. But the most beautiful religious ideal can hide its drawbacks: the rigor of observance can generate too good a conscience of your person and lead you to despise those who do not do as you do. More profoundly, wanting to be "separated" entails a certain ambiguity,

since it is known that God's plan is a project of meeting in love. These are the deviations that inspire some of the harsh words of Jesus: and that goes directly against the trend called "self-righteousness". But Jesus wants to go much further: like the prophets, Jesus vehemently seeks to open the eyes of the Pharisees before it is too late because too much self-satisfaction can lead to blindness.

The Pharisees run the risk of being far from welcoming the poor, the handicapped when this welcome is the main sign of the Kingdom. And Jesus says that it is those who welcome and respect these humble people, without expecting anything in return, who will participate, with them, in the promised resurrection.

Prayer Clues

1. What does the text say? (Reading)
2. What is God telling me through this text? (Meditation)
3. How do I dialogue with God with what the text tells me? (Prayer)
4. How do I feel the presence of God in my life? (Contemplation)
5. How do I put into the practice the message of the word of God in my real life? (Action)

AMBIENTAL MUSIC. Algorithms Justin Bianco

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vG--gGlasas>

**YOU INSPIRE MY LIFE
YOU ACCEPT ME AS I AM**

THE LAST PLACE

The one who humbles himself
will be exalted.
The last place, the first,
It is the place of the poor,
of the singles,
that of the vast majority.
Put yourselves there
in the place of vulnerability,
in the place of those who count little,
in the place of the discreet majority,
in the place of those of Jesus.
Introduce yourself simple,

that the Lord welcomes you.
Introduce yourself kindly,
Others will recognize you.
Make yourself accessible
everyone will be able to reach you.
Present yourself with what is fair,
share the rest.
Show up close,
You are a possibility for many.
Blessed are the little ones,
the credible ones,
the sincere ones,
those who share,
those who are,
those who seek and
make a way to help out.
Blessed are the simple,
those who do not seek richness,
no honour,
no acknowledgments.
Blessed are the transparent one
that opens their hands
and the heart,
Spawning houses,
decent homes,
warm, welcoming,
where to rest,
relieve roughness,
design dreams,
build new horizons.
In whatever position,
be with you

SONG. Help and the poor and... – Todd Schreiner

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-QnTxcqyv4>



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