

XVI SUNDAY GOSPEL
17th of July 2022. Cycle C



IN YOUR OWN WAY,



MEET

SETTING

You pass by our side; you are always present, especially when we need you the most. You are home, home in which we feel welcomed; place to rest, wash our feet, drink water, eat and rest.

Go out to meet others, get ahead in serving, welcoming, listening... When you get out of your things, your situations, your circumstances and you are ready to welcome others in their problems, their life, their things, without doubt, you are relativized. Place ourselves on the other shore and from there we will surely see things differently.

Walking in your own way, welcoming and hosting those who come on the way, making our presence privileged spaces of Hospitality. To be each of us exquisite in attention and care, in kindness and simplicity with everyone who approaches us and with whom we can meet.

SONG. A heart like yours – Cece Winans

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PmprgCQXR1M>

GOSPEL – Luke 10, 38-42

“Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village where woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the feet of the Lord, listening to his Word. But Martha distracted by her many tasks: so she came to him and said “Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work? Tell her then to help me.” But the Lord answered her: “Martha, Martha, you are worried and disturbed by many things: there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.”

We deepen the Gospel

Jesus is on his way with his disciples”, Luke tells us, and we already know that this long journey is the right occasion to give multiple instructions to his disciples. That's right, since the end of chapter 9, Jesus, at the beginning of the ascent to Jerusalem, has been concerned only with giving them the points of reference to help them remain faithful to their vocation, as wonderful as it is demanding, to follow the Lord and, among other things, Jesus recommends that they accept hospitality (Lk 9,4;10,5-9). That is exactly what he himself does in today's story: it can therefore be said that Jesus gratefully accepts Martha's hospitality.

In this story, typical of Luke's let us avoid criticizing Martha, the active one, in relation to Mary the contemplative. The centre of interest of the evangelist is rather, it seems the relationship of the disciples with their Lord. It is what the context makes us understand and also the repetition of the word "Lord" that is repeated three times: "Mary was sitting at the feet of the Lord"...Marta says: "Lord, does it matter to you that my sister has left alone with all the service?" "The Lord answered her." The use of the word "Lord" suggests that the relationship described by Luke between Jesus and the two sisters, Martha and Mary, should not be judged according to the usual criteria of good conduct. Here, the Master wants to lead to the discernment of what is "the best part", that is, the essential attitude that he expects from his disciples.

The two women welcome the Lord in detail: Marta, to receive him well, Mary so as not to lose anything of what the Master says. One cannot say that one is active and the other passive; the two have done nothing but take care of him. The dialogue itself does not appear only

on what Marta demands: Lord does nothing matter to you? My sister has left me alone to do the service. Tell him to help me." We see that the Lord then pronounces a phrase that has given much to talk about: "Marta, Marta, you are worried and distressed by many things. Without a doubt, Jesus does not reproach Martha for her eagerness to receive him well; who says hospitality, especially in the country of Jesus, says good food, bone preparations". To kill the fattened calf" is a biblical expression!

Here, it is the case that it is Martha's restless behaviour that is going to inspire Jesus with a small but accurate phrase so that everyone can take advantage of it. And, in reality, through the character of the two sisters, Jesus gives a recommendation to each of his disciples: "Only one thing is necessary", which does not mean that, from now on, you should not eat!! If not, do not neglect the essential. Seek the Kingdom and the rest will be given to you in addition. "Do not be afraid, little flock, because your Father has given you the Kingdom." (Luke 12, 22-32). "Do not be afraid", certainly this is the true Word.

Clues for the Prayers

1. What does the text say? (Reading)
2. What God is 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 practice the message of the word of God in my real life? (Action)

AMBIENTAL MUSIC.

Ravel - Pavane pour une infante défunte

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2_c8JRCKq1A

**YOU INSPIRE MY LIFE-
TO BE HOSPITALITY**

MAMBRE, FRIENDLY HOME

When your,
life, attitudes,
the words, the gestures,
They are like oil in the lamp.
It surrenders, it burns

and is consumed by lighting.
Light that illuminates and revitalizes,
the place, the person.
Like Abraham in Mambre.
go out to meet,
ask in,
offer rest,
to restart
the road again.
To be Mambré is to have
the God in the entrails.
To be Mambré is to be home
who hosts
To be Mambre is to offer
yourself in everything and to everyone
To be Mambre is to go to meet
To be Mambre is to be compassionate
With everyone.
To be Mambré is to go to
to the needy and help them out.
Being Mambre is contagious
the joy of meeting.
To be Mambre is to build
brotherhood in our world.
To be Mambre is to be a
Prophet of this time.
To be Mambré is to be
in the manner of God.
what better word
than the one that is specified
in the friendly gesture, simple;
that barefoot the heart
and open your hands
in the sincere embrace
Like you, being a Host.

SONG. SHOW MW YOUR WAY – Darlene Zschech

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZGp3VCKkjaU>



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