



28th SUNDAY
12 October 25 – Cycle C



OUR LADY OF PILAR

KEEP SILENCE



SETTING

On this feast day, we joyfully celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Pillar, a firm pillar of our faith and a close mother who sustains us on our journey. She, the woman of faith, knew how to listen to the Word of God, accept it with humility, and respond with fidelity.

Her life was a song of praise and trust in the Lord, a testimony of hope in the midst of difficulties, an example of dedication and service.

In an attitude of listening, availability, and faith, we are grateful for her presence among our people, and for her love that encourages us to be witnesses of the Gospel.

Firm in faith, joyful in hope, and generous in charity.

SONG. THE WORLD STANDS IN NEED OF LIBERATION

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LuMOe90TPqI>

GOSPEL – Lk 17, 11-19, 10

"Now on his way to Jerusalem, he was passing through the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten men who were lepers met him. They stood at a distance and cried out, saying, "Jesus, Teacher, have mercy on us." When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." As they went, they were cleansed. One of them, when he saw that he was cleansed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He fell at Jesus' feet and thanked him, and he was a Samaritan. Jesus answered, "Were not all ten cleansed? Where are the other nine? Is there no one who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Get up and go; your faith has made you well."

To understand the Word of God today (*Marie-Noëlle THABUT*)

2 King 5,14-17. A pagan healed, "purified" by a prophet of God's people! Elisha rejects gifts: God's grace is absolutely free.

Psalms 106, 8. Thanksgiving to God who reveals himself to the nations and works wonders for them.

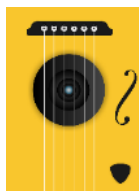
2 Tim 2,8-13. In the testament of the old Apostle, imprisoned for his faith, we hear the echo of a liturgical hymn to Christ's death and resurrection, a destiny in which Christians now share. This certainty is the foundation of unfailing faith and hope.

Lk 17, 11-19. Jesus is on his way to Jerusalem; he knows that the journey leads him to his Passion, his death, and his Resurrection. One might think that if Luke wants to tell us about Jesus' itinerary, it is because he is now going to connect us with a direct link to the mystery of salvation brought by Jesus Christ to humanity. Jesus, then, passes through Samaria and Galilee. Ten lepers come out to meet him, but they stay far away: it is well known that the Law forbids them from approaching people. Lepers are contagious in every way. Leprosy is a contagious disease and, moreover, at

that time, it was considered a sign of divine curse because it was believed to be a sign of sin. The ten lepers, then, stand at a distance and, from a distance, cry out to Jesus. This cry, and the title "Master" they attribute to Jesus, are, at the same time, a manifestation of their weakness and of the trust they have in him. Jesus does not move, does not approach them. From a distance, he tells the sick: "Go to the priests so that they may see you." Going to be seen by the priests was what the lepers had to do for their healing to be officially recognized. This order from Jesus is, in itself, a promise of healing. Only one, a Samaritan, returns to thank Jesus. "And the other nine?" Jesus asks. The others had not returned. They had found the Messiah... but they had not recognized him... This is a frequent theme in the Gospels: Salvation is for all people, and very often, it is not those who believe themselves to be closest to Jesus who welcome him most! "He came to his own, and his own did not recognize him," says Saint John.

Clues for prayer

- How do I give glory to God with my life?
- I thank Jesus for the salvation he brings to my life.
- In the community, parish... how do we give thanks for God's presence in our lives?



AMBIENTAL MUSIC.

Guitarra Zen y Olas del Mar

https://youtu.be/nksFlcOdxGk?si=FAAd9OARxof_HkCZL

GUIARRA SERENA

<https://youtu.be/oq3CaFajqPI?si=YsEziJEL3ffgcf6N>

EMBRACING YOUR PILLAR

Ten voices rose in the dust,
and the Wind of Love
heard them.
The miracle was born
on the path where faith
walked before footstep
but only one returned,
with new skin and a naked
soul to prostrate his gratitude
in the light of the Master's feet.
Today we too return strangers at
heart, seekers of meaning
to embrace the Pillar of faith,
where Mary sustains life
so that we do not lose hope.
Believing is not just moving
forward it is pausing in
the morning, breathing
in wonder,
and discovering that life
is a gift that is renewed
in every gesture of love
that never breaks.
Our Lady of Pillar, pillar

that never tires of supporting,
teach us the art of returning,
of looking back with gratitude
and forward with confidence.
Make us pilgrims of gratitude,
inhabitants of the listening
silence, hearts that know
how to remember.
May your shadow be our shelter,
and your son, the pillar
of our faith, firm as a rock,
tender as the dawn.
Beside you we were born,
and in your lap, we continue
to grow.
Make our faith an embrace,
our hope a song and our love,
a flame that never goes out.
Together with you we were born,
we grew, and we live.
Increase our faith
so that sustained by your love,
we may continue the path
with gratitude and hope.

SONG: HEAL ME O LORD

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



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