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Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Through his suffering, my servant shall justify many.

— *Isaiah 53:11b*

THE HUMANITY OF JESUS CHRIST

All three readings today support—each in its own way, of course—a reflection on the humanity of Jesus Christ and how that humanity played a key role in the drama of our salvation. Although not chosen specifically to coordinate with the other two readings, today's second reading does in fact carry forward the theme of Christ's humanity in a remarkable way. The author of the Letter to the Hebrews highlights the solidarity that exists between Jesus and us, precisely because in his human nature Jesus has known the same sufferings and testing that are our own experience. Because he can "sympathize with our weaknesses," we can "approach the throne of grace to receive mercy." For the author of Hebrews, the humanity of Jesus was an essential requirement for his redemptive death, as well as an invitation to us to find in Jesus someone with whom we can identify in our daily struggles.

FEAST OF FAITH Only Say the Word

The bread is broken, the banquet is prepared, and now we are invited to the feast. Once more the priest holds the host, now broken, for us to see, and invites us to behold the one "who takes away the sins of the world." Truly blessed and happy are those invited to this meal, which is a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, the supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19:19). We respond to this invitation with a prayer to the Lord: we acknowledge that we are not worthy, but at the same time we are confident that the One who comes to us can heal us, body and soul. This prayer echoes the story of the centurion in Luke's Gospel. The centurion, a Gentile, asks healing for his servant, but does not consider himself worthy to have Jesus come under his roof—he believes that Jesus can heal his servant with a word, without even seeing him. Jesus is amazed at his faith. It is the same for us. We believe that Jesus speaks to us, comes to us, dwells with us, even though we neither hear his voice nor see his face.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — My servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear (Isaiah 53:10-11).

Psalms — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help (Hebrews 4:14-16).

Gospel — Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all (Mark 10:35-45 [42-45]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;
Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21;
Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk
12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-
53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77,
93-94;
Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk
13:1-9

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6;

ACHIEVING SANCTITY

Let us throw ourselves into the ocean of God's goodness, where every failing will be cancelled and anxiety turned into love.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Luke
Tuesday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues,
and Companions
Wednesday: St. Paul of the Cross
Friday: St. John Paul II
Saturday: St. John of Capistrano;
Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday: The Holy Guardian Angels; First Saturday

Deacon Moss is having a class on the book
"A Quiet Place"

We meet on Tuesday morning at 10am
until 11:30 am, the class is always very
informative

Please join us in learning about God's love

**Second collection is for
World Mission Sunday next
Sunday October 24th**

Oct. 24th

Lector Jeff

WEEKLY OFFERING

10-10-2021

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