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### **Remember In Prayer**

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## **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**October 24, 2021**

The Lord has done great things for us; we are  
glad indeed.

### **RECOGNIZING JESUS**

The star of today's Gospel is a panhandler. Bartimaeus is blind, yes, but he is probably also homeless and filthy, a real nuisance to respectable citizens. Even so, it is Bartimaeus who recognizes Jesus as the Messiah, places all his faith in him, throws aside everything he has (his cloak), begs him for mercy, receives new vision, and follows Jesus on the way to suffering and death in Jerusalem. How desperate will we have to get before we can do the same?

### **FEAST OF FAITH**

#### **The Sound of Communion**

The priest receives Holy Communion, and then there is movement, a bustle of activity, as we prepare to join the Communion procession. This holy meal does not happen in silence! Instead, we sing together even as we rise and move forward in procession to the altar. We must change and move to receive the Eucharist, and fittingly so, since the Eucharist is transformative—it demands action of us, internal as well as external. We do not receive the sacrament in silence, but with a dialogue that is also a profession of faith: “The Body of Christ.” “Amen.” “The Blood of Christ.” “Amen.” We acknowledge the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist with our “Amen” of faith, but more, our “Amen” is also a prayer that we may become what we receive, the Body of Christ, living and active in the world. We receive him not that he may become a part of us, but that we may become a part of him—part, too, of all the others who receive him, the whole communion of believers.

## **TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — I will lead the people to  
brooks of water, on a level road, so that none  
shall stumble (Jeremiah 31:7-9).

**Psalms** — The Lord has done great things for  
us; we are filled with joy (Psalm 126).

**Second Reading** — It was not Christ who  
glorified himself, but rather the one who said  
to him: You are my son: this day I have  
begotten you (Hebrews 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Immediately the blind man  
received his sight and followed Jesus on the  
way (Mark 10:46-52).

### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

“What is the Church if not the assembly of all  
the saints?” wrote the fifth-century bishop Niceta.  
Each Sunday, in the Profession of Faith, we express  
our belief in the communion of saints, the one body—  
with Christ as its head—made up of “those who are  
pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified and  
the blessed in heaven.” We are not alone!

The preface for All Saints begins, “For today  
by your gift we celebrate the festival of your city, the  
heavenly Jerusalem, our mother.” What astounding  
words! All Saints Day (like every solemnity) is nothing  
less than the festival of the fullness of the paschal  
mystery, our dying and rising in Christ. Of course,  
now in autumn the mystery comes “clothed” in  
glorious autumnal garb, and so we celebrate our Easter  
faith with signs of the harvest, signs of nature's dying,  
signs of the “homecoming” that happens naturally  
when the weather gets cold and families find  
themselves together more often. While the dying can  
point to our own mortality, the homecoming reminds  
us of the mystery of our own resurrection with Christ.

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time;

World Mission Sunday

Thursday: Ss. Simon and Jude

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday Nov 1st All Saints Day  
Mass will be at St Andrew 9:00 am

Tuesday Nov 2nd All Souls Day will  
be St. Andrew at 11:30 am

St. Regina at 5:00 pm

Wednesday Nov. 3rd

Mass at the regular times

### **POSSIBILITIES**

All things are possible for one who believes,  
more to one who hopes, even more to one who  
loves.

Oct,31th  
Lector Mark

### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

**Aug 17th**

**BUDGET \$1351.00**

**\$168300**

**B&M**

**\$400.00**