

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**Year A**

11:00 am Sunday, July 27, 2014

Readings: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 2) Romans 8:28-30 3) Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Sunday Liturgy**The focus for today's Mass is:**

Our hope rests in the Good News of Jesus Christ, and today we are invited to renew our "Yes" to Jesus.

In our first reading, Solomon shows us the disposition necessary for receiving the Kingdom.

Saint Paul shows us in the second reading that the Kingdom is our relationship with Jesus, whereby we are conformed to his image and made children of God.

In the Gospel, Jesus encourages us to sell everything in order to receive the gift of the Kingdom.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**PRIEST:**

Aware of our need for the grace of God to strengthen our resolve for the Kingdom, we turn to him in humble petition.

**For the Church,
may she be the light of the Kingdom in our darkened world.**
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

**For all nations and peoples,
As many strive to develop pathways to peace.**
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those baptized this weekend.
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the poor, the sick and the suffering.
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For members of this community who have died in Christ's peace.
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

**For all grandparents in our parish community
may they be honoured by their families.**
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions, (long pause),
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

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PRIEST:

God our Father, you sent your Son Jesus to bring the Good News of the Kingdom. Hear our humble petitions that we may live in a manner worthy of that Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord.

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