

The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday, January 31, 2016

Readings: 1) Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 2) 1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13 3) Luke 4:21-30

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is that love is the greatest of all spiritual gifts. Without it, we gain nothing.

The first reading reminds us that God formed and fashioned each of us in our mothers' wombs to play a unique role in his unfolding plan of salvation.

The second reminds us that love is the greatest of all spiritual gifts.

In the Gospel, the people of Nazareth reject Jesus after listening to him teach in the synagogue on the Sabbath.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

With loving trust in the Lord God, we come before him with our petitions.

**For the leaders of our Church,
may they may guide us in walking in the way of Jesus.**

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

**For people of all nations,
may they respect children in the womb,
that they enjoy the same rights and protection as those outside.**

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

**For those who are sick in mind and body;
may they be healed and strengthened.**

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the faithful departed may they find rest and eternal life in heaven.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For this faith community, may we answer Christ's call to serve the poor.

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.

PRIEST:

**Heavenly Father, we know the tremendous love that you have for us
and we know that you are present with us.**

**We ask that you answer our prayers according to your will, through Christ, our
Lord.**