

Sunday, October 2, 2016

Readings: 1) Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 2) 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 3) Luke 17:5-10

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is that daily prayer is essential in order to be open to the workings of the Holy Spirit.

In our first reading, the Lord responds to Habakkuk's plea for help, assuring him that the just shall live because of their faith.

In the second reading, Paul encourages Timothy to find strength in God in the face of hardships, and to hold fast to his faith with the help of *the Holy Spirit that dwells within us*. Jesus tells the Apostles that if they have faith even as tiny as a mustard seed, God can perform great works in and through them.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

In humility and trust,

**let us offer our prayers for our needs and those of the world to God,
the almighty Father.**

**For Pope Francis and all Church leaders may they be given the strength to continue to
proclaim the good news of salvation,**

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

**For missionaries throughout the world,
that God may give them the strength and grace to show the face of Christ
to others and to persevere in patience, mercy and love,**

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

For those who are sick in mind and body;

Especially for:

may they experience God's healing grace and the helping hands of others.

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

For the faithful departed,

may they come to experience the joys and splendor of heaven.

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

**For in this Year of Mercy, may all members of our parish strive to incorporate the spiritual
and corporal works of mercy into our everyday lives,**

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:

**Gracious and loving God, please hear the prayers of your
servants gathered in your presence.**

We ask this through Christ, our Lord.