

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday, October 6, 2019

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: God's gift is not a spirit of timidity, but one of faith-filled courage. Courage lies at the heart of all our readings today – the courage to be faithful before the Lord in all things. Like the disciples, we, too, should be unafraid to ask him for an increase in faith. For Jesus reminds us that even with the smallest amount of faith, we have the capacity to do great things in his name.

Habakkuk complains to the Lord, who responds that what Habakkuk awaits will come in time, and the just one shall live because of his faith. Saint Paul writes to Timothy and encourages him in his faithfulness to the Gospel. In the Gospel, the Apostles say to Jesus: *Increase our faith*. He responds by comparing faith to the size of a mustard seed, and expounding on the role of a good servant.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

God knows our joys, hopes and fears.

In complete trust, let us bring our needs and prayers before him.

For the Church, drawn from all nations and languages to proclaim the fidelity and praise of the Lord to all peoples.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

For God's law, may they inspire nations in working for greater justice and peace.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

For all those who are sick in mind, body and spirit, may Christ the healer bring his restorative touch to their lives.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

For our loved ones who have died, may they be welcomed into the loving presence of God.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

For our community of faith may we grow in holiness and faith through Christ's presence in the sacraments.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

For our own personal intentions..... (long pause)

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

PRIEST:

Father, we entrust our prayers to you in the holy name of your son, Jesus Christ.