

**August 28-29, 2021**

**Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Deuteronomy 4:1-8**

**James 1:17-27**

**Mark 7:1-23**

Making a perfectly executed 'sign of the cross' upon our person does not necessarily denote a devout person. An individual that bows to the altar is not necessarily a disciple of Jesus. In like manner, an individual who offers a homeless person food or beverage but does not affiliate with any organized religious denomination, is a TRUE disciple of Jesus...what we would call 'an anonymous Christian.' With this weekend's Gospel focused on the Church authorities of Jesus' day challenging Jesus on his disciple's 'sloppy' disregard for their 'official' teachings, Jesus reminds us that discipleship is NOT all about rules and regulations. Rather, rules can be FINE when they are used to help organize, schedule or distribute information, education, food or medicines...but when they develop LIVES OF THEIR OWN and are exalted simply because they are the RULES...that is when, even Jesus, says that they ought to be ignored. Things done without purposeful recognition of why they are being done, are just 'habitual' and do not denote inner devotion or faith in Jesus. Long-lived rituals sometimes need to be REVISITED and ALTERED, an example would be those who grew up in the prior tradition of having the tabernacle behind the altar...and they would always genuflect before entering their pew (as a sign of respect)...but they keep doing it when the tabernacle is now in its own chapel and no longer behind the altar. We don't kneel to the altar...only the Eucharistic Jesus. What are the traditions/rituals with which you grew up that you no longer honor...and...what are the ones that remain...and why?

### **Glory to God**

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you; we bless you; we adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten son, Lord God, lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer, you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **Responsorial Psalm Response:**

'The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.'

### **Profession of Faith**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Holy, Holy, Holy**

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest.

### **Our Father**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.**

**Thank you for depositing this SINGLE USAGE Worship Aid in one of the WHITE trash receptacles at the back of the Hall.**

**Thank you for sharing this final weekend of August with our Santa Clara Community.** Next weekend is our LABOR DAY holiday. If you are on the roads trying to squeeze the last bit of summer out of the weekend, please drive carefully and return to us safely. A reminder that **LA CENA... September 18<sup>th</sup>...** is getting closer and closer. Please make sure you make your reservations NOW so we can set enough table space and yours truly can cook enough fine food. With Summer slowly beginning to slouch toward Autumn, **please always remember...YOU ARE LOVED!!! FKB**