
TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B) 13TH OCTOBER 2024

Vestment Colour: Green

PREPARATION

If possible arrange candles, a crucifix and Gospel/Sunday Missal on a table.

INTRODUCTION

Today we hear Jesus telling us how we can enter the kingdom of heaven. We hear how difficult it can be to follow Jesus. He tells us that we must love God more than money or possessions. Possessions are not important to God.

Make the sign of the cross- a sign of the love God has for us

Light the candles- an adult should do this

PENITENTIAL ACT

Adults and children ...think about how you have behaved in the past week. Have you shown patience to those around you? Have you been kind and helpful? Have your words been fair and kind?

Lead the children in the “sorry song”- sung to the tune of Frere Jacques

We are sorry,

Truly sorry,

Heal us Lord,

In your love,
Help us to do better,
Help us to do better,
Forgive us,
Forgive us.

GLORIA

You may choose to say or sing an appropriate adaptation of the Gloria from any children's liturgy resource.

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 the Father.

Amen

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

All stand to welcome the Gospel (sing to the tune of “if your happy and you know it”

Alleluia, Alleluia, praise the Lord,

Alleluia, Alleluia, praise the Lord,

As we listen to the story,

Let us praise him for his glory,

Alleluia, Alleluia praise the Lord.

Alternatively say

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the
mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL (MARK 10:17-30)

Select the appropriate Gospel verses from the children’s lectionary.

“A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St Mark”

Explain and demonstrate – make three crosses: one on your forehead, one on your lips and one on your heart. In this way we think God’s word, we speak God’s word and we keep God’s word in our hearts as we say together **“Glory to You, O Lord”**

Read the Gospel aloud to the children.

At the end say: **“The Gospel of the Lord”**

All reply: **“Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ”**

LEAD A DISCUSSION ON THE GOSPEL

Use open questions to encourage discussion and allow the children to say what they have understood from the Word of God. Use what, where how and why?

What do you remember about today’s reading?

What did the young man ask Jesus? (He asked how he could get eternal life).

Can you remember what Jesus said he had to do first? (Jesus said to follow the commandments). Jesus knew that he was a good person and so He asked the young man to something else.

What else did Jesus tell the young man to do? By telling the young man to give away all of his belongings He was telling us that money and possessions are not valuable treasures to God.

Can you think of things that God tells us are important? (Love, joy, friendship, charity or care for others).

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

This is optional depending on time constraints. You can use bidding prayers prepared by the leaders or ask the children who or what they would like to pray for. Some suggestions are below:

We know that God loves us all, just because of who we are, and so together we pray:

We pray for world leaders: that they hear the cry of those who are struggling and that they work for the benefit of all. **Lord in your mercy....**

We pray for all teachers and community leaders: That they nurture in us all the willingness to live a life centred on love as Christ would have us do. **Lord in your mercy....**

We pray for our parish, families and friends: that we build treasures in our lives and community that are pleasing to God and that we learn to put all our trust in God. **Lord in your mercy....**

The prayer ends with “ **Lord, in your mercy**” – all respond – “**Hear our prayer**”.

ACTIVITY

If there is time, use resources to complete an activity with the children. Possible resources are listed at the end.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus, May we follow Jesus in our lives and learn to put all our trust in God.

End with **Amen**

Select volunteers for the Offertory Procession. This not involved in the procession should quietly return to sit with their family or guardian.

Useful resources <https://cafod.org.uk>>Children-s-Liturgy

[The Liturgy of the Word with Children by Katie Thompson, publisher Kevin Mayhew](#)