33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 17th, 2024

FAITH @ HOWE

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First Reading: Daniel 12: 1-3

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 16: 5, 8, 9-10,11 Second Reading: Hebrew 10: 11-14,14 Gospel: Mark 13: 24-32

Find full readings from USCCB site here

1. HEAR

Grab your bible and look up the Gospel reading. Don't have one? No worries you can find the Gospel reading by clicking HERE. (Bishop O'Connell's Gospel Reflection page.)

As an alternative to reading the Gospel, you can watch a short video with the proclamation for adults by clicking <u>HERE</u>. (YouTube, WOG channel, 1:13 min)

The children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking <u>HERE</u>. (YouTube, Draw Aware channel, 2:44 min.)

2. PRAY

Gather the family around a prayer space and bring an image of Jesus that you or your family owns. If possible, light a candle too.

In the Gospel, Jesus, tells us that he will send his angels to gather the Elect from the end of the earth to the end of the sky. What does it mean to be one of the "elects" that will be gathered in by the angels? Now, consider what the Spirit is moving in you as you reflect on that question. For children, ask them to think of how they need to behave to become one of the people Jesus takes with him.

(Leave a small silent pause here, before moving to the next section.)

One adult of the family reads the following questions aloud and then invites the rest to respond after each question is read, with this verse from the Responsorial Psalm: "You will show me the path to life."

Invite all to have a conversation around the questions posed during your prayer time.

Where is my will overcoming your will, Lord? \mathbf{R} /.

Where am I not conforming to your will? **R/.**

Where have I failed to be a witness of your love to others? **R/.**

Where have I not modeled your love for those in my care? **R/.**

Where have I not been a model for my siblings, friends, schoolmate? **R/.**

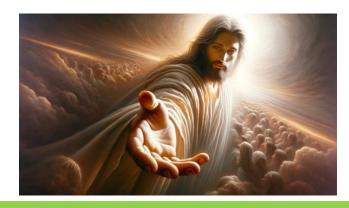
Next, invite all to pray with the following or similar words: God, our Father, we give you thanks for this time and showing us where we need to conform to your will and become those Elect. Amen.

3. TALK

Someone takes the lead, and they may choose to answer only one of the questions. Next, invite by name someone else to choose a question and share with the rest.

- 1. Where is my will overcoming your will, Lord?
- 2. Where am I not conforming to your will?
- 3. Where have I failed to be a witness of your love to others?
- 4. Where have I not modeled your love for those in my care?
- 5. Where have I not been a model for my siblings, friends, schoolmates, etc.?

Ask each person to think about two things they need to do to prepare themselves for the Second Coming of Jesus. If you have young children, ask them to draw a picture of what they can do to prepare for the coming of Jesus.





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