

SANTA MARIA GORETTI PARISH

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Mass Schedule: Tuesday to Friday - 7:00 p.m.

Weekend: Saturday at 5:00 pm. Sunday: 9:30 am (*English*) and 11:30 am (*Italian*)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays at 4:30 p.m. before Mass or by appointment

Adoration: Every Friday at 6.30 pm. Rosary every evening: 6:20 pm.

Baptism: Please contact parish office for scheduling Baptism.

Marriage: Contact the Priest at least 6 months prior to the Wedding.

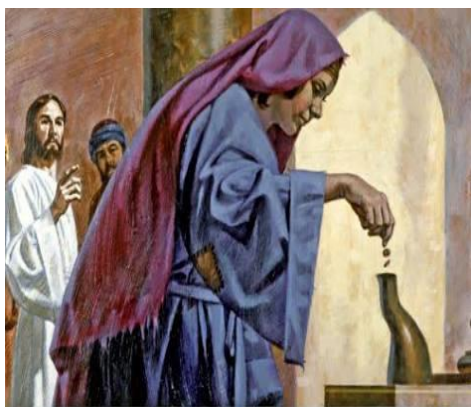
(A Catholic Marriage Preparation Course is a requirement.)

Mezz'ora Con Voi (Italian Radio Program): Sunday at: 8:30 a.m. on 101.7 FM

07 Novembre 2021

XXXII Domenica del Tempo Ordinario / B

Con Cuore Grato



La Giornata del ringraziamento che ricorre oggi ci sollecita a riconoscere il creato e tutte le sue ricchezze come dono di Dio, come espressione dell'amore del Padre e a cantare al Signore con cuore gratissimo: «Laudato si'». I testi liturgici ci invitano poi a unire a questa gratitudine un immenso grazie anche per tutti coloro che sanno condividere il dono di Dio, per tutti i cuori aperti e le mani slegate che scelgono la condivisione, come la vedova povera – e pagana – di Sarèpta che fu capace di condividere il poco che le restava per non morire (*I Lettura*). Solamente i più poveri sanno amare in questo modo! Come la vedova del Vangelo che nel tesoro di Dio «nella sua miseria ha gettato... tutto quanto aveva per vivere» (*Vangelo*). Questi santi nascosti che non trattengono per sé stessi né i beni né la loro stessa vita, sono grandi, sono immagine vivente di Gesù! Mettiamoci alla loro scuola, affidando a Gesù sommo sacerdote il peccato del nostro non saper condividere. Diventeremo così strumenti di una cultura di fraternità e il Signore, come già per Elia, farà sovrabbondare la sua Provvidenza.

Fr. Antoine-Emmanuel.

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Widows figure prominently in this Sunday's readings because of their vulnerability (they are most likely destitute), their self-offering and their complete trust in God. The first lives outside the Israelite fold in a region where Baal is worshipped; the second is one of Israel's own. The first, by her faith, becomes an instrument helping to demonstrate the character, power and jurisdiction of the God of Israel. The second, by the same faith in God, models the appropriate behaviour for all sincere disciples: a constant dependence on, and love for, God. By contrast, those who give only from their surplus, who serve themselves and their own interests, or who take advantage of the vulnerable, show that they have not truly recognized who this God is. The source and sustainer of all creation, God is also redeemer of that creation. Salvation is offered and accomplished by the very self-offering of Jesus Christ, who gave of himself out of love, once and for all. Praise the Lord, O my soul! None can compare to this trinitarian Holy One who is our constant advocate, the source of our sustenance, the protector of the vulnerable and achiever of justice. Before this God, our self-interest is unworthy. It is entirely appropriate, then, that we pray in today's liturgy, out of gratitude and in need of mercy, for the grace of integrity.

Christine Mader.