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*Give thanks to the Lord for  
His many Blessings  
On Thanksgiving*

# TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 13, 2019

## “He fell at Jesus' feet giving thanks”

What can adversity teach us about the blessing of thanksgiving and the healing power of love and mercy? The Book of Proverbs states: *A friend loves at all times; and a brother is born for adversity* (Proverbs 17:17). When adversity strikes you find out who truly is your brother, sister, and friend. The Gospel records an unusual encounter between two peoples who had been divided for centuries. The Jews and Samaritans had no dealings with one another even though Samaria was located in the central part of Judea. Both peoples were openly hostile whenever their paths crossed. In this Gospel narrative, we see one rare exception - a Samaritan leper in company with nine Jewish lepers. Sometimes adversity forces people to drop their barriers or to forget their prejudices. When this band of Jewish and Samaritan lepers saw Jesus, they made a bold request. They didn't ask for healing, but instead asked for mercy.

The word mercy literally means "sorrowful at heart". But mercy is something more than compassion, or heartfelt sorrow at another's misfortune. Compassion empathizes with the sufferer. But mercy goes further - it removes suffering. A merciful person shares in another's misfortune and suffering as if it were his or her own. And such a person will do everything in his or her power to dispel that misery.

Mercy is also connected with justice. Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274), a great teacher and scripture scholar, said that mercy *"does not destroy justice, but is a certain kind of fulfillment of justice. Mercy without justice is the mother of dissolution; (and) justice without mercy is cruelty."* Pardon without repentance negates justice.

God's mercy brings healing of mind, heart, and body

So what is the significance of these ten lepers asking for mercy? They know they are in need of healing, not just physical, but spiritual healing as well. They approach Jesus with contrition and faith because they believe that he can release the burden of guilt and suffering and make restoration of body and soul possible. Their request for mercy is both a plea for pardon and release from suffering. Jesus gives mercy to all who ask with faith and contrition.

Why did only one leper out of ten return to show gratitude? Gratefulness, another word which expresses gratitude of heart and a thankful disposition, is related to grace - which means *the release of loveliness*. Gratitude is the homage of the heart which responds with graciousness in expressing an act of thanksgiving. The Samaritan approached Jesus reverently and gave praise to God.

If we do not recognize and appreciate the mercy and help shown to us we will be ungrateful and unkind towards others. Ingratitude is forgetfulness or a poor return for kindness received. Ingratitude easily leads to lack of charity and intolerance towards others, as well as to other vices, such as complaining, grumbling, discontentment, pride, and presumption. How often have we been ungrateful to our parents, pastors, teachers, and neighbors? Do you express gratitude to God for his abundant help and mercy towards you and are you gracious, kind, and merciful towards your neighbor in their time of need and support?

*"Lord Jesus, may I never fail to recognize your loving kindness and mercy towards me. Fill my heart with compassion and thanksgiving, and free me from ingratitude and discontentment. Help me to count my blessings with a grateful heart and to give thanks in all circumstances."*

### THANK YOU!



The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Peace Council #8668 would like to say "Thank You" to all Parishioners that generously donated to the Roses

for Life campaign. We received a total of \$1,172.00 on the Roses for Life weekend. All monies collected will be donated to Vita Manor. For more information on Vita Manor please go to [www.vitamanor.org](http://www.vitamanor.org).

### IMPORTANT NOTICE Weekday Mass Attendees

Please note that Fr. Bernard will be away from the Parish from Monday, October 28 to Thursday, October 31 inclusive, at a mandatory priests seminar. Weekday Masses will not be celebrated on those days.

Mass Intentions  for the Week

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 – 8:00 A.M.**

Intention Available

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 – 8:00 A.M.**

In reparation for offenses committed against the Most Holy Eucharist.

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 – 7:00 P.M.**

Intention Available

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 – 5:00 P.M.**

+ Bill Kovalchuk

+ Mr. and Mrs. Marchiori

**SUNDAY, OCT. 20 – 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**8:30 A.M.** Intention Available

**10:00 A.M.** S.I. Parish Community

**12:00 P.M.** S.I. Adam and Katrina Camilleri

+ Avelino Branco

+ Mary Fitzgerald Forsyth

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**



From Sept. 25 through Nov. 3, please join with others in a peaceful daily prayer vigil asking for God's protection of all human life. Vigil runs daily from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm for 40 days at the public right-of-way close to the Mississauga Women's Clinic 101 Queensway (at Confederation). Free parking and sign in at nearby St. Catherine of Sienna parish. Our parish date to pray at the vigil site is October 30, 2019. If you cannot be there on that day please sign up for another date or contact [www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga](http://www.40daysforlife.com/mississauga) or [rightlifemb@gmail.com](mailto:rightlifemb@gmail.com). 40 Days for Life midpoint Holy hour will take place on Friday October 18 at 7:30 pm after the 7:00 pm Mass.

**K of C MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

There will be an opportunity to speak to the Knights of Columbus after all Masses on the weekend of October 26 and 27 about the work of the Knights and to consider joining this fraternal Catholic organization.



**RENEW TORONTO CONFERENCE**

Renew Toronto is a conference for all Young Adults aged 19-39. It is an opportunity to grow in faith alongside like-minded people in a similar stage of life. This conference will offer unique opportunities for students, young adult professionals, young couples and families, men and women! Unite with one another to collectively RENEW our Hearts, RENEW our Call and RENEW our Community. On November 9 join the OCY at Isabel Bader Theatre, Toronto. For more information contact the Office of Catholic Youth at 416-599-7676.

**LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA**

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**PARISH MINISTRY CONFERENCE**

On October 19, the Office of Formation for Discipleship is hosting a Parish Ministry Conference aimed at inspiring and equipping pastoral teams to better serve the parish community. Conference is being held at St. Basil the Great College School in North York. Learn more at [www.archtoronto.org/foundation](http://www.archtoronto.org/foundation) or call 416-934-3400 ext. 523.

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