

"Homily helps and liturgy resources highlighting care for our common home."

## Homily Resources and Petitions for the

16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B (22 July 2018)

### Homily Helps

#### † Scripture passages to note:

##### **Jeremiah 23:1-6**

Woe to the shepherds who mislead and scatter the flock. ... I myself will gather the remnant ... and bring them back to their meadow; there they shall increase and multiply

##### **Ephesians 2:13-18**

He is our peace, he who made both one and broke down the dividing wall of enmity.

##### **Mark 6:30-34**

When Jesus disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them.

#### † Comment for the day:

Our Creator designed creation to be a pasture nourishing God's flock. Always there are hirelings who pretend to be shepherds. They mislead people, set them against one another, and so scatter the flock. The Creator continues to work among us however as a Good Shepherd. Christ lives among us. Moved with

pity he is determined to break down the walls that divide us, including our conflicting view about the best way to care for our common home.

† **Passages from Laudato Si' to note:**

We must forcefully reject the notion that our being created in God's image and given dominion over the earth justifies absolute domination over other creatures. (#67)

The Lord was able to invite others to be attentive to the beauty that there is in the world because he himself was in constant touch with nature, lending it an attention full of fondness and wonder. As he made his way throughout the land, he often stopped to contemplate the beauty sown by his Father, and invited his disciples to perceive a divine message in things.... (#97)

### Related Prayers of the Faithful

**Option 1:** Help us defend and develop that portion of creation that you have entrusted to our care in keeping with your plan, let us pray to the Lord....

**Option 2:** Increase and multiply the number of those who venerate the sacredness of creation and are committed to breaking down the walls that divide and separate us, let us pray to the Lord....

### Further Resources

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