

Integral Faith

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



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Care for Creation. Care for the Poor.

Homily Helps and Petitions for the 32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle B (November 10, 2024)

Homily Helps

† Scripture Passages to Note:

1 Kings: For the LORD, the God of Israel says, “The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry.”

Psalm 146: “The Lord keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry.”

Hebrews 9: “Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by hands... he entered heaven itself, that he might now appear before God on our behalf....”

Mark: “And calling his disciples together, he saith to them: Amen I say to you, this poor widow hath cast in more than all they who have cast into the treasury. For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want cast in all she had, even her whole living.”

† Comments for the Day:

The headlines and TV news are full of stories of places in the world where people are starving. According to the UN World Food Program USA, “Nearly 350 million people around the world are experiencing the most forms of hunger right now... Behind these massive statistics are individual children, women and men suffering from the dire effects of such severe hunger. Malnourished women give birth to malnourished babies, passing hunger from one generation to the next. Children’s physical and cognitive growth is stunted. Farmers are unable to grow enough food to provide for their families and communities. Entire towns are forced to leave their homes in search for food. Conflict, the climate crisis, and rising costs are driving the global food crisis.”

† Passages from *Laudato Si'* to Note: For example, there’s a great variety of small-scale food production systems which feed the greater part of the world’s peoples, using modest amount of land and producing less waste, be it small agricultural parcels, in orchards and gardens, hunting and wild harvesting or local fishing. Economies of scale, especially in the agricultural sector, force smallholders to sell their land, or to abandon their traditional crops. Their attempts to move to other, more diversified, means of production prove fruitless because of linkage with regional or local markets, or because of the infrastructure for sales and transport is geared to larger businesses. Civil authorities have the right and duty to adopt clear and firm measures in support of small producers and differentiated production... To claim economic freedom while real conditions bar many people from access to it... is doublespeak. (129#)

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...Christians with the help their pastors are called to hear the cry of the poor...Seeing their poverty, hearing their cries and knowing their sufferings, we are scandalized because we know that there is enough food for everyone and that hunger is the result of poor distribution of goods and income. (191#)

Related Prayers of the Faithful

Option 1: That we heed Jesus' command, "Give them You yourselves give them something to eat!, let us pray to the Lord ...

Option 2: That we support UNICEF and other organizations let us pray to the Lord ...

Again, address integral faith, ecology, and care for creation.

Further Resources

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