

11:00 am Sunday, September 11, 2016

Readings: 1) Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 2) 1 Timothy 1:12-17 3) Luke 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today’s Mass is that although we are all sinners, God’s mercy is boundless, and he will always seek us out when we become lost.

In the first reading, Moses beseeches God to remember the covenant he made with the Israelites. Saint Paul, in his letter to Timothy, is abundantly grateful for God’s mercy, especially in light of his earlier persecution of Christians. In today’s parables, Jesus teaches that God is merciful to those who are lost, including repentant sinners.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

Called to practice forgiveness in all areas of our life,
we place our needs before our compassionate Father.

For all confessors in the Church, may they be missionaries of God’s mercy and forgiveness, following the example set by Pope Francis,
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For Christians throughout the world,
may they be led by Scripture and inspired by the Holy Spirit,
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those baptized today,
May they continue to live a Christian life in the Church.
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who are sick in mind and body;
may they be healed and strengthened.
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the faithful departed,
may they see God face-to-face in the heavenly kingdom.
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For members of our parish,
like Saint Paul in today’s reading,
be ever-grateful for the continuing mercy of God,
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions, (long pause),
We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

Merciful God, as our ever-forgiving Father,
we ask that you hear and answer our prayers according to your will.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.