

11:00 am Sunday, May 21, 2017

Readings: 1) Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 2) 1 Peter 3:15-18 3) John 14:15-21

The focus for today’s Mass is that living as a disciple of Jesus requires that we be ever-ready and willing to share our faith with others.

In the reading from Acts, we trace Paul’s journey to bring the message of Jesus to many in different towns.

He follows the promptings of the Holy Spirit to travel to Macedonia.

In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, *I have chosen you out of the world*, and that they will face hardship because of him.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

Striving to lead lives which give a faithful witness to the Gospel, let us join in offering our prayers for our needs and those of the world to the Father.

For all members of the Church may they open themselves more fully to the Holy Spirit and be responsive to the Spirit’s promptings.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For policymakers may they have the courage to make wise choices for the benefit of all people.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who are sick, injured or disabled and their caregivers.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For the faithful departed, may they come to perpetual peace and joy in heaven.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For this parish community, may we love Christ and sanctify him as Lord in our hearts.

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:

Heavenly Father, we place all our hope in you and ask that you hear and answer our prayers according to your will. For we offer them to you through Christ our Lord.