

The Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

Sunday, June 28, 2020

Readings: 1) 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a 2) Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 3) Matthew 10:37-42

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is: Putting Jesus first is our challenge.

Once again Jesus discusses the challenge of living the Gospel. Faithful discipleship comes with demands. But we are not to keep the Gospel message to ourselves – it must be proclaimed and lived no matter what the cost. For those who are faithful, the reward will be newness of life.

In the first reading, *a woman of influence* who consistently offers hospitality to Elisha is rewarded with the promise of a son. Saint Paul reminds the Roman community that through baptism they share in the death and resurrection of Christ. In the Gospel, Jesus tells his Apostles that *whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me.*

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

Let us present our needs, and those of the world, to our most gracious God.

For all who minister in the church, may their work bear fruit a hundredfold.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all Christians, that we die to sin and live for God in Christ Jesus.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all the poor, the sick and the struggling.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all our beloved dead.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For all of us here,

may God restore in us whatever is necessary for fullness of life and health.

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions, (pause).

We Pray to the Lord. Lord, hear our prayer.

PRIEST:

Father, hear the prayers of your people, we ask through your Son, Jesus Christ.