

Sunday, July 5, 2020

Readings: 1) Zechariah 9:9-10 2) Romans 8:9, 11-13 3) Matthew 11:25-30

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today’s Mass is that Jesus’ kingship is one of mercy with humility and compassion for all who struggle.

In the kingship of Jesus, we celebrate his humility and gentleness, and in a particular way, his understanding of the blessings of children. His dominion is not one of power and control, but of a servant who lifts up the fallen and raises all who are burdened; he is gracious and merciful.

Zechariah tells Jerusalem to rejoice, for their king shall *come to [them] ... riding ... on a colt*, proclaiming a message of *peace to the nations*. Saint Paul instructs the Romans that *whoever does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him*. In the Gospel, Jesus gives praise to the Father for what he has revealed to the little ones.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

With humble hearts,
we come before God to speak for our needs and those of the world.

For all members of the church,
may they be filled with the Spirit and
recommit themselves as good stewards.

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

For the leaders and people of this great country,
may we provide adequate care for those injured in its service.

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

For those who are sick in mind and body;
may they know the peace of Christ and the comfort of family and friends.

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

For the faithful departed,
may they come to enjoy perfect happiness and peace in heaven.

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

For all of us here,
may we be thankful for all who have given service to keep our country free.

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, you have loved us throughout the ages with unfailing goodness.
Answer our prayers with compassion, we ask this through Christ our Lord.