

**SUNDAY, September 19, 2021**  
**25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

- 1) Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
- 2) James 3:16–4:3
- 3) Mark 9:30-37

**FOCUS: Jesus calls us to humble service.**

A common thread in today's readings is that the marks of faithfulness are humility, peacemaking, and service to the lowliest among us. In the midst of cynicism, which is so often the reality of our modern world, how can we better witness to the world the peace of Christ?

**LITURGY OF THE WORD**

In Wisdom, the wicked speak of testing *the just one* until he sins or until God intervenes. In the second reading, James says that *the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace*. In Mark's Gospel, Jesus teaches about his passion but the disciples do not understand; he then demands humble service of his followers.

**GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

**For Pope Francis, may he be guided by Christ in his papacy.**

We Pray to the Lord. **People say: Lord, hear our prayer.**

**For peace among nations and peace in our hearts.**

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**For all the sick and suffering, may God bless and console them.**

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**For all who have died may they be welcomed into the arms of Jesus.**

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**For this faith community,  
may the saving grace of Christ be our hope and our refuge.**

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**For our own personal intentions.**

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