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August 21, 2022 ~ 21 de Agosto de 2022

21st Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Readings: Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7,11.13; Luke 13: 22-30

In today's gospel someone is posing this question to Jesus: Will only a few people be saved? Who will be saved and who will not be saved seems to be the topic of discussion.

Scripture is very clear that entry into the kingdom of God will come from all over. In Prophet Isaiah, God calls all the nations, not just a chosen people, adding that not even the once-hereditary priesthood can be restricted to a certain class. This is what scripture means when it says that God is promising that people of all nations will participate in the joy of divine glory.

Entry into heaven is not limited to a single nation, group, or select individuals. Familiarity does not guarantee entrance into the kingdom. Having sheer membership into a church or prayer group does not guarantee salvation. Salvation is not handed out as a reward for knowing and associating with the right people, same minded people, look alike people. There are no free passes. Striving to enter through the narrow gate implies that no one is guaranteed entry.

Jesus replied to the question of how to get into the master's mansion by explaining how to be ready to enter the place. Jesus explains that the saved will be the people known by the master. The owner should recognize you to open the door and let you in. Hence, Salvation becomes the equivalent of being known by Christ. In Isaiah, God says, "I know" your works and thoughts. Being known by Christ requires more than the gestures and rituals of worship. It is the experience of the people who have walked Jesus' way. It implies listening so deeply that Christ's word lives in us. The requirement for entry into God's mansion is how one has lived one's life. Those who hear the Good News of the Gospel and put it into practice will qualify for entry into the kingdom of God. Waiting to the last breath of our life expecting a miracle to happen is dangerous. It will be too late for admission. The sorrow and disappointment at that time, is what the scripture describes: "there will be great wailing and grinding of teeth as one sees Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and all the prophets in the kingdom of God—and you are refused entry".

Quite often, as a priest, I come across a dying person expressing his/her sadness about things that they failed to accomplish, or the wrong actions they took. "If I have another chance to live, I will undo some of those things", they will say. But it is too late.

Those who accept Jesus will, in turn, be accepted by him. Those who reject him will likewise be rejected, be they Jew or gentile, pagan or believer. One of the core Gospel riddles is that one cannot save oneself.

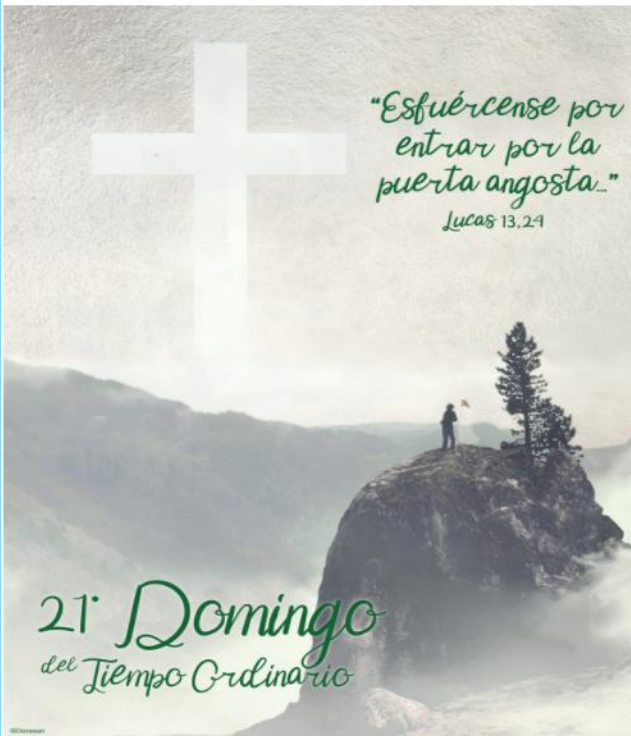
God offers salvation to all irrespective of caste, creed, color, nationality, ethnicity. The question is how many will make it their own and ascribe to it?

"Strive to
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Luke 13:24

Lecturas: Isaías 66:18-21; Hebreos 12:5-7,11.13; Lucas 13: 22-30

En el evangelio de hoy alguien le hace esta pregunta a Jesús: ¿Se salvarán solo unos pocos? Quién se salvará y quién no se salvará parece ser el tema de discusión.



La Escritura es muy clara en que la entrada al reino de Dios vendrá de todas partes. En el profeta Isaías, Dios llama a todas las naciones, no solo a un pueblo elegido, y agrega que ni siquiera el sacerdocio que alguna vez fue hereditario puede restringirse a una determinada clase. Esto es lo que quiere decir la Escritura cuando dice que Dios promete que la gente de todas las naciones participará del gozo de la gloria divina.

La entrada al cielo no se limita a una sola nación, grupo o individuos selectos. La familiaridad no garantiza la entrada al reino. Tener membresía pura en una iglesia o grupo de oración no garantiza la salvación. La salvación no se entrega como una recompensa por conocer y asociarse con las personas correctas, personas de la misma mentalidad, personas que se parecen. No hay pases gratis. Esforzarse por entrar por la puerta estrecha implica que a nadie se le garantiza la entrada.

Jesús respondió a la pregunta de cómo entrar en la mansión del maestro explicando cómo estar listo para entrar en el lugar. Jesús explica que los salvados serán las personas conocidas por el maestro. El dueño debe reconocerte para abrirte la puerta y dejarte entrar. Por lo tanto, la Salvación se convierte en el equivalente de ser conocido por Cristo. En Isaías, Dios dice: "Conozco" tus obras y pensamientos. Ser conocido por Cristo requiere más que gestos y rituales de adoración. Es la experiencia de las personas que han recorrido el camino de Jesús. Implica una escucha tan profunda

que la palabra de Cristo viva en nosotros. El requisito para entrar en la mansión de Dios es cómo uno ha vivido su vida. Aquellos que escuchan la Buena Nueva del Evangelio y la ponen en práctica calificarán para entrar en el reino de Dios.

Esperar hasta el último suspiro de nuestra vida esperando que suceda un milagro es peligroso. Será demasiado tarde para la admisión. El dolor y la desilusión en ese momento, es lo que describe la escritura: "habrá gran llanto y crujir de dientes al ver a Abraham, a Isaac, a Jacob ya todos los profetas en el reino de Dios, y se os negará la entrada".

Con frecuencia, como sacerdote, me encuentro con una persona moribunda que expresa su tristeza por las cosas que no pudo lograr o por las acciones equivocadas que tomó. "Si tengo otra oportunidad de vivir, desharé algunas de esas cosas", dirán. Pero es demasiado tarde.

Aquellos que aceptan a Jesús serán, a su vez, aceptados por él. Los que lo rechazan serán igualmente rechazados, sean judíos o gentiles, paganos o creyentes. Uno de los acertijos centrales del Evangelio es que uno no puede salvarse a sí mismo.

Dios ofrece la salvación a todos, independientemente de su casta, credo, color, nacionalidad, etnia. La pregunta es ¿cuántos lo harán suyo y se adscriben a él?

3rd Annual Ice Cream Social
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Sunday - September 18th
11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rain or Shine

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Since the Ice Cream Social is almost here, we are asking all bakers to pull out their favorite dessert recipes and help us make this year's social the best ever. We are in need of cakes, cookies or brownies for the Cake Walk/Bake Sale. Please bring your delicious baked goods to the Rose Room on Saturday, September 17th between 10 am and noon. Thank you for sharing your baking talents with all of us.

El Ice Cream Social ya casi está aquí, estamos pidiendo a todos los panaderos que saquen sus recetas de postres favoritas y nos ayuden a hacer que el social de este año sea el mejor de todos. Necesitamos pasteles, galletas o bizcochos de chocolate para la Venta de Pasteles/Pastelería. Traiga sus deliciosos productos horneados al Rose Room el sábado 17 de septiembre entre las 10 am y el mediodía. Gracias por compartir sus talentos de repostería con todos nosotros.

MASS SCHEDULE/ HORARIOS DE MISA

Saturday/Sabado (Vigil Mass)

5:30 pm English/ Inglés

Sunday/Domingo

8:30 am English/ Inglés

10:30 am Spanish/ Español

Wednesday/Miércoles

8:30 am Bilingual

Friday/ Viernes

8:30 am Bilingual

Mass at 8:30 am and Adoration & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament follows until 12:00 noon.
Misa las 8:30 am luego sigue Adoración y Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento hasta la 12:00 pm.

CONFESSIONS/ LA CONFESIONES

Saturday/ Sábado: 5:00 pm- 5:30 pm

Sunday/ Domingo: 8:00 am- 8:30 am

Sunday/ Domingo: 10:00 am- 10:30 am

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK INTENCION DE LA MISA PARA LA SEMANA

08/20/2022 Saturday/ Sabado (Vigil Mass)

† James Funchik

08/21/2022 Sunday/ Domingo

8:30 am

† Patricia Chilla

† Katrina Benkovich Howard

† Mamerta Yap

10:30 am

* Monica Marquez, recovery and good health/
recuperación y buena salud

08/26/2022 Friday/ Viernes

† Kathryn Seberger

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\$ 1,547.00

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Gracias por su continua participación, apoyo y donaciones. ¡Dios nos bendiga a todos!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration for this year's Religious Education (CCD) classes is now over. If you have not registered yet and want your child(ren) enrolled in the program, you **MUST** contact Mr. Dan Mauch at the parish office as soon as possible.

CSA 2022 lets you demonstrate Christ's love for others! Please give generously.

Goal/ Meta (2022)	\$ 15,749.0
Total Pledged/Comprometido	\$12,410.00
Collected/Fue Colectado	\$ 11,130.00

We are requesting each family to donate \$200.00 or more if they are able. Thank you for your support and donations.

Le pedimos a cada familia que done \$200.00 o mas si pueden. Gracias por su continua apoyo y donaciones.

2022 Catholic Men's Conference

The Diocese of Gary will host the 2022 Northwest Indiana Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, October 8, 2022 (8:00 am to 3:30pm) at St. Patrick Parish, Chesterton IN. For more details, please go to www.nwicatholicmen.com. Registration and Payment Cost per person: \$35 Regular, \$20 Student (High School and College) and Evangelization Training \$100



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