

Our Liturgy theme is Celebrate!



Peace be with you And with your spirit



We light our candle to remind us of Christ's presence with us as we gather +In the name of the Father ...



Opening Prayer

Forgiving God, So often in our lives, we get distracted by things and are too busy to put you first. Yet you never stop loving us. Whenever we need you, you are always there. When we are lost, you find us. When we go astray, you lead us back to happiness and so we thank you, Father, for never giving up on us. Amen

Today, we hear some of Jesus' most famous parables. It is always comforting to know that no matter how far we go, or how lost we think we are, Jesus will always reach out and bring us back into His Love, just as a good shepherd looking after his flock, a woman finding a lost coin, or a father welcoming back his long-lost son.

Sometimes, it is hard to remember and appreciate this overwhelming love and we can take it for granted. We come before Jesus to ask His forgiveness for the times when we have turned away from Him and His grace.

And so we say sorry...

Lord Jesus, you are there for us always, even when we stray. For the times we have turned our back on you. LORD HAVE MERCY

Christ Jesus, time and again you teach us how to live in a way that brings light and life to the world. For the times we have ignored your words, Christ, have mercy. CHRIST HAVE MERCY

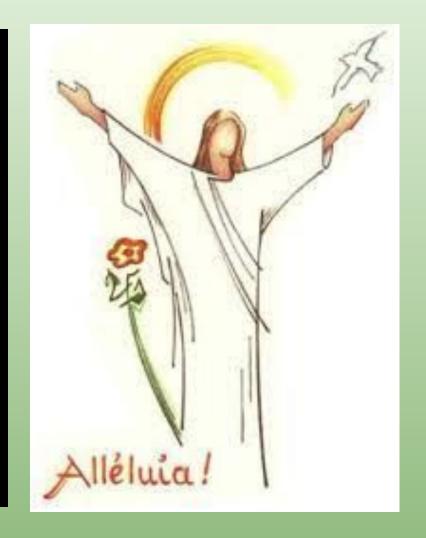
Lord Jesus, you show us the way to forgive others. For the times we have not forgive, Lord, have mercy. LORD HAVE MERCY



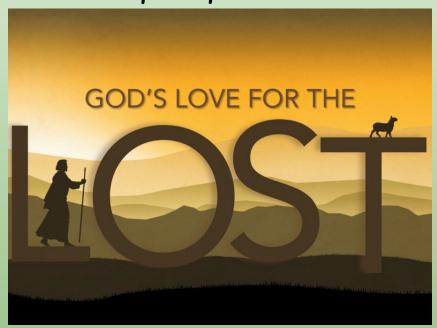
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A reading from the Gospel according to Luke Glory to you, O Lord



The Gospel of the Lord Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Time to reflect on God's words for us today.



- What is a parable?
- · In this Gospel there are three parables. Take a moment to think what they all teach us.
- · Did the shepherd or the woman in the parables give up searching?
- · How did the people in these parables react when they found what they had been searching for?
- · Can you think of something or someone in your life that you would never stop searching for if you lost it?

In each parable the person who has lost something, or someone,

celebrates when they find what they have lost.
They are so happy and relieved that they have forgotten what they were angry about.

These parables are all about returning to God. In each story, anything that happened before has been forgiven.

Jesus teaches us that God cherishes each and every one of us. He knows your name. He knows your trials and struggles. He knows your fears and successes. He knows the things that make you sad and the things that make you happy - and He is there for you every step of the way; holding out his hand saying, 'Walk with me. You don't need to do this alone!

Let's take a moment and imagine taking Jesus' hand. Let Him be with you and support you with your worries. He is always there if we just reach out to Him.

The response is: Hear our prayer.

We pray for the Church throughout the world: that she may show us God's love and forgiveness for all people. Lord, in your mercy...

We pray for our brothers and sisters in every country: that we may not turn away anyone who comes to us for help and that we may welcome everyone in our communities.

Lord in your mercy...

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may be loving and forgiving towards all people.

Lord in your mercy...



We pray for one another. We ask that we may make God's love known in the world to our families and to each other. Be the change you want to see.

Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

We ask Mother Mary to join us in our prayers, as we say together:

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee, Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen

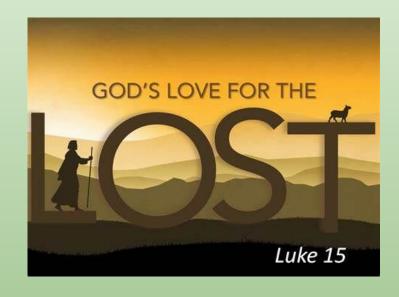
Dear Jesus, Thank you for caring so much about me.

If I get lost, I know you will never stop looking for me.

Thank you for letting us join your flock no matter who we are, where we come from or what we do. Help us to follow you all the time.

This week, let us show our faith in action by:

- Sharing God's love
- Trying to make friends with someone new this week
- Reaching out to people who need a guiding hand



THANKS BE TO GOD

In the name of the Father, And of the Son. And of the Holy Spirit Amen





"We have a Lord who is capable of crying with us, capable of walking with us in the most difficult moments of life."

> -Pope Francis Philippines, 2015









