

**Our Gospel Value this
week is
Justice**

**Our Virtue this week is
Fortitude**



**We gather together to love,
value and respect each
other within our Catholic
family, to nurture each
individual's talents and skills
as Jesus taught us.**

**Peace be with you
and with your Spirit**

Jesus Christ light of the world
... **shine brightly in our lives**



Jesus Christ God's living
Word
... **speak to us your truth**



Jesus Christ God's love
revealed
... **dwell among us**



Our lit candle reminds us that
we are in God's presence as
we mark ourselves with the
sign of the cross

**In the name of the Father,
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit
Amen**

We Say Sorry

You call us to follow you
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

You call us to trust in you
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

You open your arms to all of us
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

Today we hear about a bad judge and a widow who would not give up. And Jesus teaches us the importance of justice, of praying and of never giving up hope.

Let's find out more...

God of justice and
wisdom, help us to
keep on praying and
never to doubt that
you will be with us
always.

Amen

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

We listen to the word

Gospel according to Luke 18:1-8

May the words of Jesus be

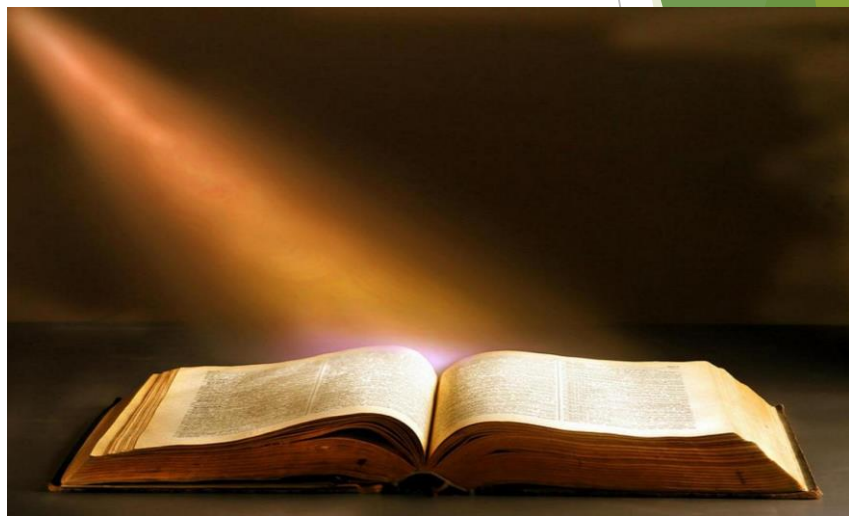
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On my lips and

In my heart

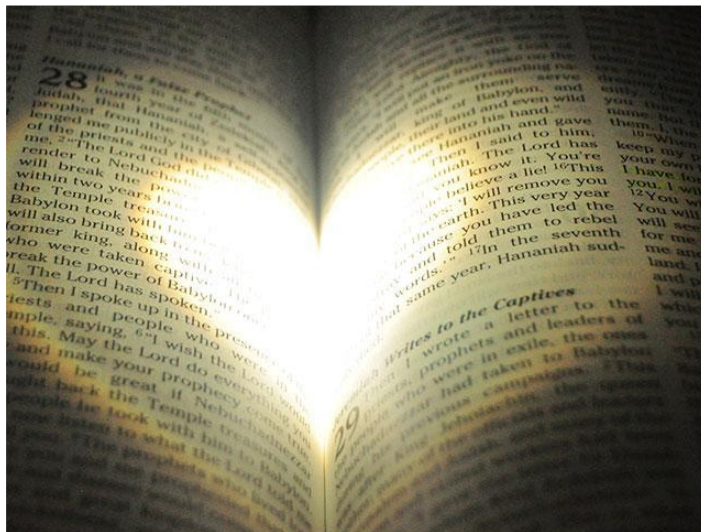
The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



Halle, halle, hallelujah!
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We are still and silent as we reflect on God's word for us in the Gospel.



What do you remember from today's reading?



Jesus tells us a story about a bad judge and a widow who wants justice - who wants what is right.



Judges are supposed to be fair and honest, but this isn't always the case. The prophets in the Bible were always getting angry with bad judges who thought more about themselves than about the people who needed their help. And if the judges didn't sort out the problems fairly then people would suffer again and again.



Can you think of things that seem unfair to you?

How do you feel when someone has treated you unfairly?



The widow was ignored by the law,
but she didn't give up. She just kept
asking the judge to make things right.
Eventually, just to get rid of her, he
gave her what she wanted, justice.
Her prayers were finally answered.



Why do you think Jesus told us this story?

What does he want us to understand?



The widow is like us - we call to God in our prayers to give us what we need and want.

But if this bad judge eventually did the right thing, how much more will God, who is all-powerful and good, do what is right? So, if we don't get what we pray for the first time, should we just give up?



Jesus says that God hears the cries of all who call out to him day and night. And God will certainly answer our prayers, even if it's not in the way that we expect.



How does it make you feel to know that God always hears you when you pray?



There are many things that are unfair in our world. And there are many people, like the widow in the story, who struggle to make their voices heard.

We can pray for these people, but we also have to do what we can to make sure all people are treated fairly. Who knows, we might even be the answer to someone's prayers!



Did you know that one in three people around the world do not have enough safe and healthy food all year round?

This is not fair and it is not right.

Do you think you could do something about this?



In silence, pray for each other -
that God will be with all of us.



Let us pray together to God
for a fairer world:

We pray for the Church:
that it may stand up for
what is right and never
stay silent when people
are treated unfairly.

Lord in Your mercy

Hear our prayer

We pray for people in our community and around the world who are struggling to get enough food: that God may give us all strength to work together for a fairer world where everyone has enough.

Lord in Your mercy

Hear our prayer

We pray for our school,
parish, families and
friends: that we may
show kindness, fairness
and justice in our hearts
and in our homes.

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer

Loving God,
We pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide
their choices.

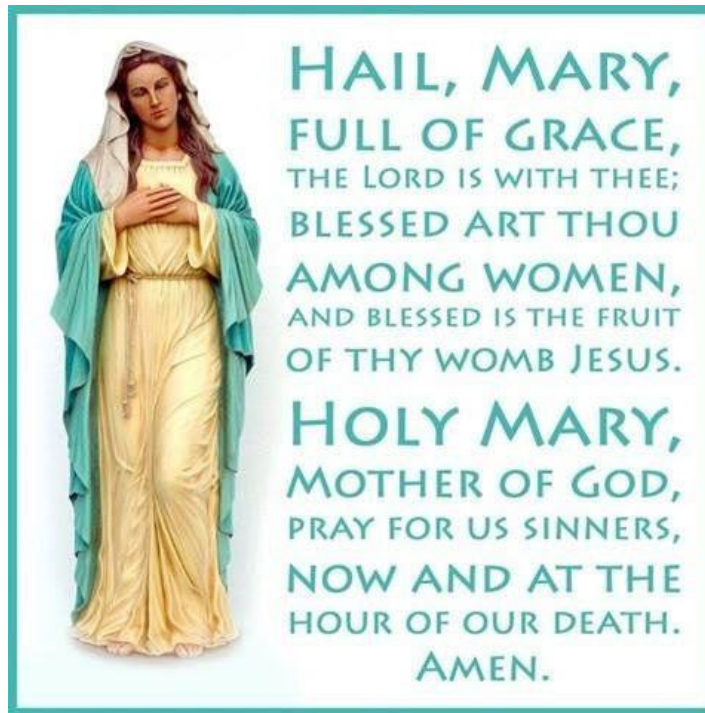
We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.

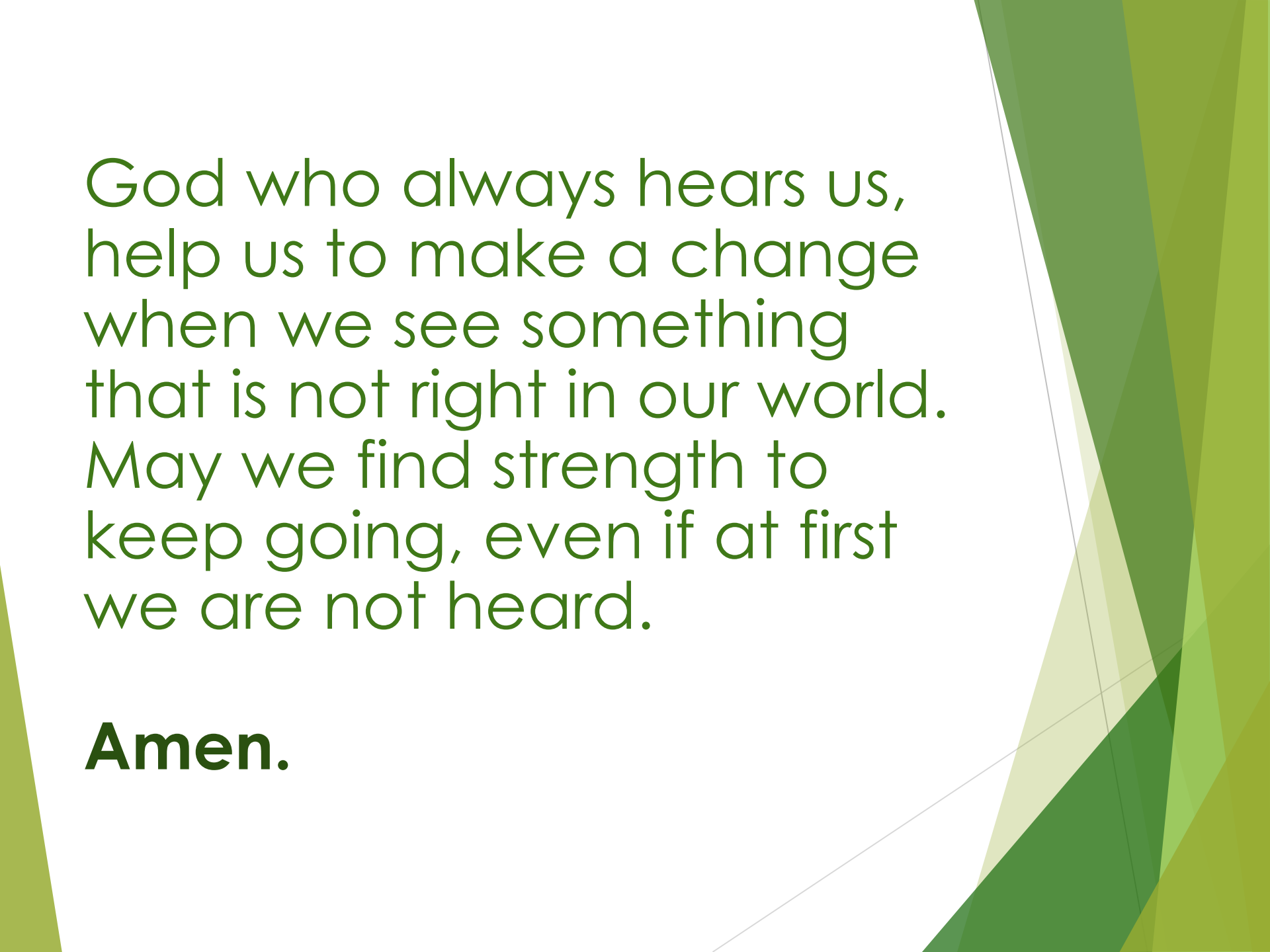
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.

Amen

We take a
moment now
to pray for our
own intentions

We ask Our
Lady to
intercede on
our behalf as
we say
together



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God who always hears us,
help us to make a change
when we see something
that is not right in our world.
May we find strength to
keep going, even if at first
we are not heard.

Amen.

St Anthony

Pray for us

St Mark

Pray for us

St Francis

Pray for us

St Alban

Pray for us

How will
you follow
Jesus this
week?

In the week ahead let's try to...

- ▶ think about how you can treat other people in our world fairly and justly
- ▶ do something to help others know that you care

Jesus, I offer my day to you
Jesus, I offer my day to you
Jesus, I offer my day to you

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Let us go in
peace

Thanks be to God

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