

**Our Gospel Value this
week is
Courage**

**Our Virtue this week is
Faith**



**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 Jesus tells the crowds that if they want to follow him and be his disciples then they need to give up everything.

Let's find out more...

Guiding Lord,
may we love you and
follow you all the days
of our lives.

Amen

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

We listen to the word

Gospel according to Luke 14:25-33

May the words of Jesus be

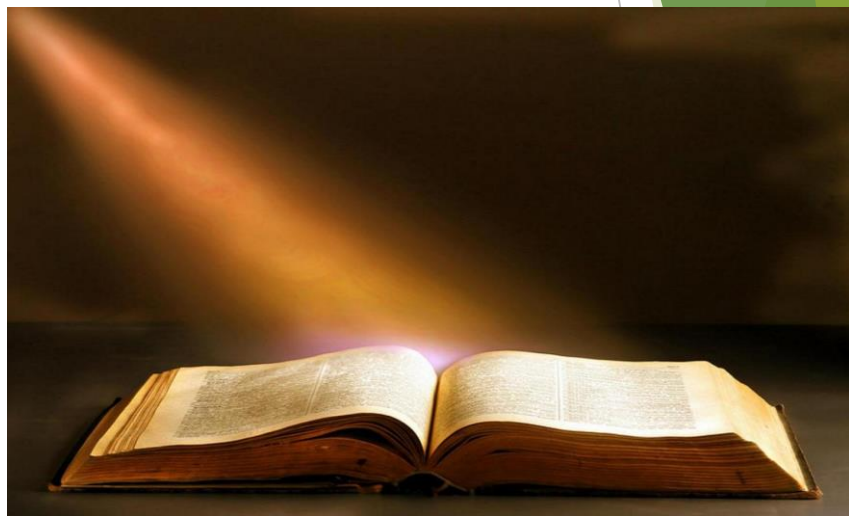
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On my lips and

In my heart

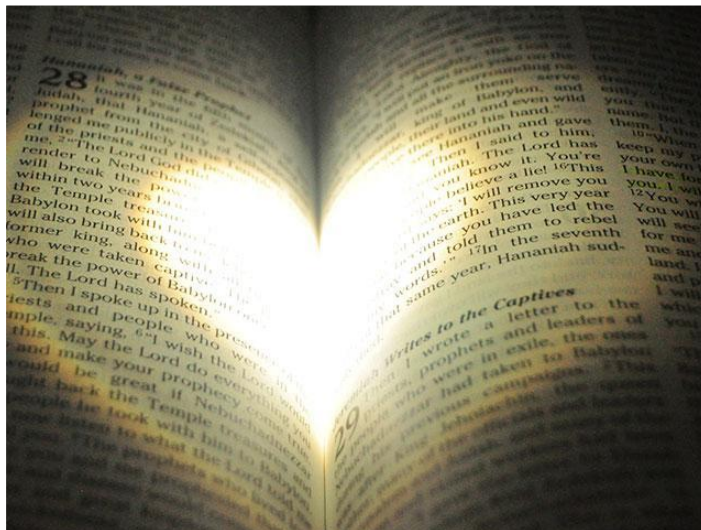
The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ



Halle, halle, hallelujah!
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Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

We are still and silent as we reflect on God's word for us in the Gospel.

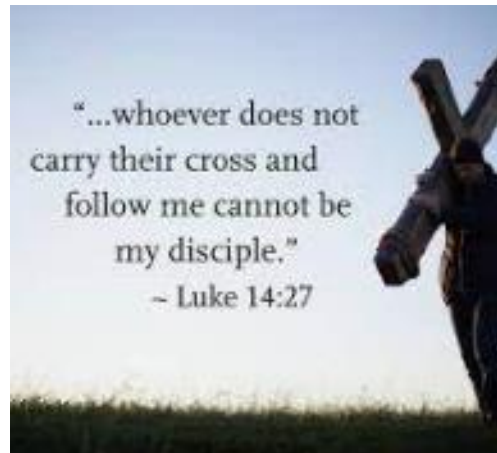


What do you remember from today's reading?



Jesus tells the crowds two short stories to explain what being a disciple means, and to show us that if we want to follow him we must give up everything.

What do you think “giving up everything” means?



I think that it means that we need to try to see that Jesus is the most important person in our lives.



We must also “carry our cross” which means accepting the things we find difficult in our lives and asking for God's help in these difficult things.

These difficult things might be people we find it hard to get on with, lessons in school that we find boring or wanting something we can't have. It might be not having enough to eat or even living somewhere where there is violence.

For a few moments in silence, think about what you find difficult and ask for God's help now.

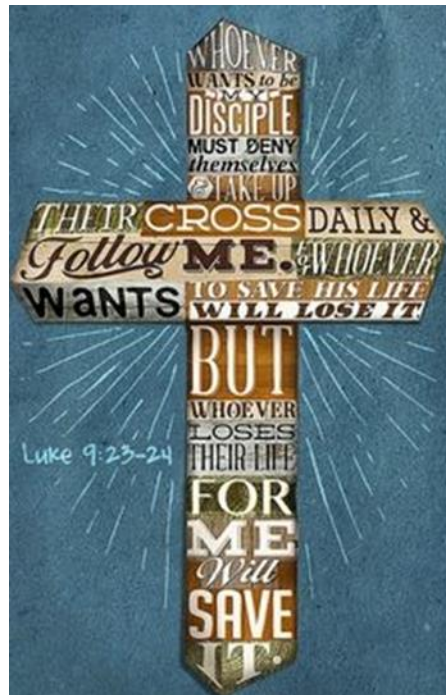
Then still in silence pray for each other - that God will be with all of us. While we do this, we know that we are all supported in prayer.

Let's look at the two stories now...

The first story is about a man who wants to build a tower. He must work out the cost to make sure he has enough money and resources to finish the job.

The second story is about a king who is going to war. He must first count his soldiers and resources to make sure he can win the battle.

What do you think these stories are telling us?



Jesus is telling us that following him and being a disciple is something that we have to see through to the finish. We need to follow Jesus always and this isn't always easy. Often we are distracted by other people or by thinking about what we want, rather than about what Jesus wants for us.

Throughout our lives as followers of Jesus we might have to choose to do what Jesus wants even if it means not always being popular.

It is hard but God is with us all the way to help and guide us.



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



Jesus asked us to follow him
and so we pray together:

We pray for the Church:
that it may always work to
share God's love with all,
and especially with those
who are poor, sick or
ignored.

Lord in Your mercy
Hear our prayer

We pray for leaders in our communities: that they may do their best to serve everyone they meet, even when it is difficult or makes them unpopular.

Lord in Your mercy

Hear our prayer

We pray for our school,
parish, families and
friends: that we may be
disciples together and
support each other in all
that life gives us.

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.

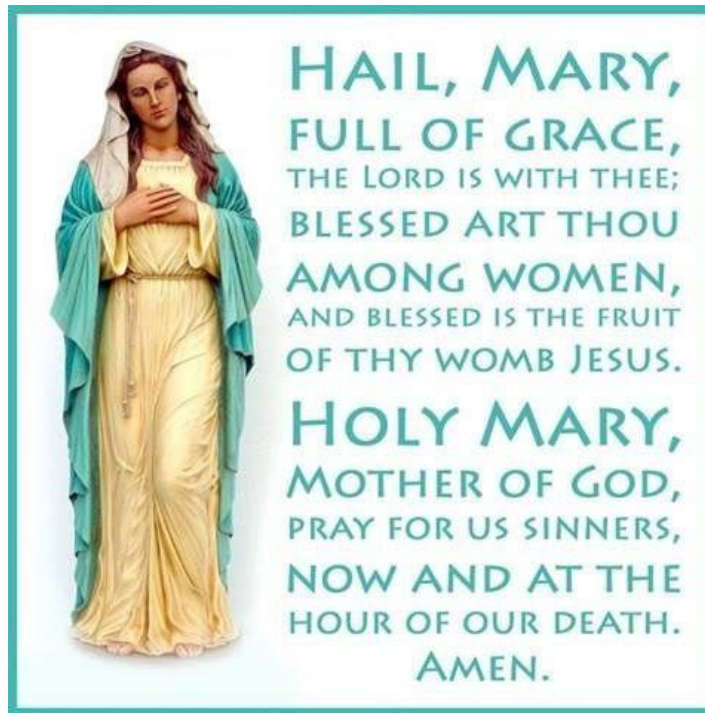
We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.

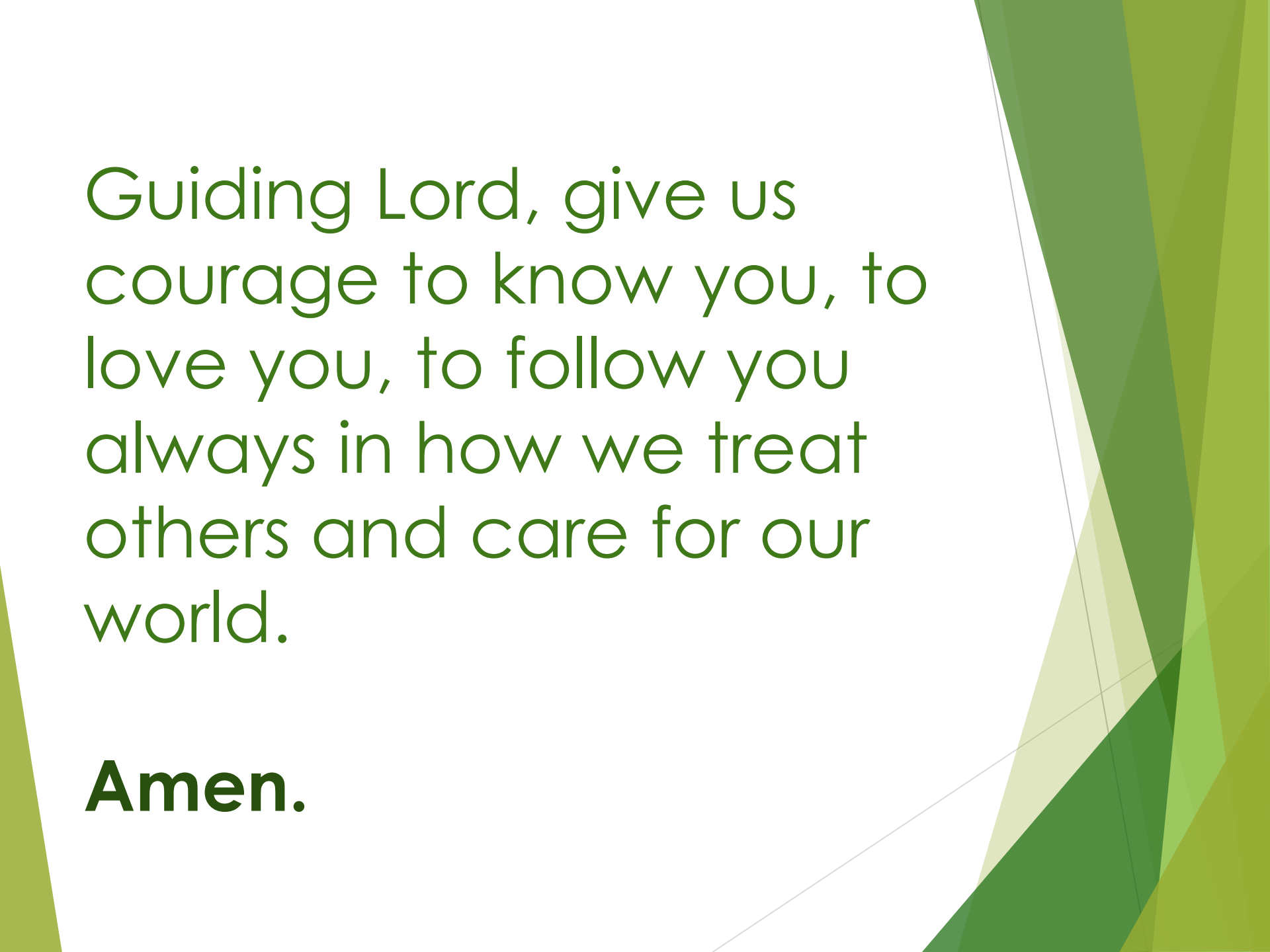
May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and for all the world.

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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Guiding Lord, give us
courage to know you, to
love you, to follow you
always in how we treat
others and care for our
world.

Amen.

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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...

- ▶ do one thing to show that you follow Jesus, and finish it, even if it is difficult.

Jesus, I offer my day to you
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Let us go in
peace

Thanks be to God

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