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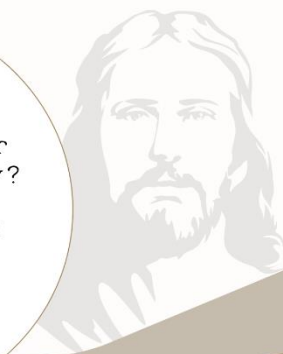
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Luke 17:17-18



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28th SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon (*Psalm 129.3-4*)

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O Lord of Israel.

First Reading (*2 Kings 5.14-17*)

Naaman the Syrian went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company; Naaman came and stood before Elisha and said, "Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel; please accept a present from your servant."

But Elisha said, "As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing!" Naaman urged Elisha to accept, but he refused.

Then Naaman said, "If not, please let two mule-loads of earth be given to your servant; for your servant will no longer offer burnt offering or sacrifice to any god except the Lord."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (*Psalm 98*)

R. The Lord has revealed his victory in the sight of the nations.

O sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvellous things. His right hand and his holy arm have brought him victory. **R.**

The Lord has made known his victory; he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations. He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. **R.**

Second Reading (*2 Timothy 2.8-13*)

Beloved: Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David — that is my Gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But the word of God is not chained.

Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.

The saying is sure: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he will also deny us; if we are faithless, he remains faithful — for he cannot deny himself.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*1 Thessalonians 5.18*)

Alleluia. Alleluia. Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. **Alleluia.**

Gospel (*Luke 17.11-19*)

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

When Jesus saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan.

Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"

Then Jesus said to the Samaritan, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

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

SUNDAY'S REFLECTION: Gratitude and Thanksgiving

In today's Gospel, Jesus cures 10 lepers; but only one of them, realizing that he has been healed, comes back to thank Him. This leads Jesus to ask the question: "Where are the other nine?" We are reminded today that, often, in nine out of 10 instances, we forget to thank God. Yes, many times we take God's blessings for granted, and we lack gratitude in our lives. Have you thanked God this morning, just for the fact that you are still alive?

Early on in life, many of us were taught by our parents to be grateful. As children we knew how to say "thank you" because of our littleness and dependence. Now that we have become adults, we sometimes forget to be grateful because of our false sense of security and independence.

In gratitude, allow me to share these lines of a song: "When I look back, and think of all the people in my life, I think of you for you're a part of my life, a special part of my life. When I recall the many phases and places in my life, I think of you for you're a part of my life, you're a special part of my life. So now, I want to thank you for your presence in my life. I want to tell you I appreciate your love. Thank you with all my heart. If I in any way have hurt you, it was never my desire. I had my faults, but God knows how much I've tried You're a special part of my life!"

Lord, help us not to lose our sense of gratitude, and help us to just "continue loving." Amen.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October 2025: Lord Jesus, You, who in diversity are one and look lovingly at every person, help us to recognize ourselves as brothers and sisters, called to live, pray, work, and dream together.



PRAYER FOR OUR BELOVED SICK

Prayer for our beloved sick: Robert de Luca, Diedrie Margaret Mackay, Agnes Rosales, Meg Anano, William Snyder, Mara Nealy, Haanah, Patricia Jayme, Liko Victor Sales, Ricardo Tan, Agnes Rosales, Lance S., Esther Mejia, Priyanti Djuhana, Remy Remedios Pamittan, Leah Manguera, Gerry Hay, Dolly Castillo.

Our Parish Life of Service

Mass Times

WEEKDAYS: Tuesday-Friday: 12:05 PM.

WEEKENDS: Saturday: 5:30 PM; Sunday: 9 AM • 11 AM • 4:30 PM

Baptism: 2nd Saturday of the month - Parent preparation session required

Marriage: a minimum of six months before the desired date.

Contact: E-mail: info@stfranciscalgary.com or Tel: 403-266-2512.

Confessions: 20 minutes before all masses or after.

Rosary: 30 minutes before Mass.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help: after Wednesday Mass.

Eucharistic Divine Mercy Adoration: 20 Minutes before Mass, every 1st Friday of the month.

OUR OFFERING TO THE LORD	TOGETHER IN ACTION (TIA)
for the week of Sept 30 – Oct 05, 2025	
Regular Collection:	Our Parish 2025 Goal: \$ 13,861.00
Loose: \$ 1,225.00	
Envelopes: \$ 1,240.00	Raised to date: \$ 8,121.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.	To raise: \$ 5,740.00
You can donate directly to St Francis of Assisi's parish by typing this URL on your browser: https://www.catholicyc.ca/donatetoparish.html	

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!

It's fitting for God's people to offer public thanks for all the gifts we have received. The bountiful produce of the earth is a visible sign of the many blessings God wants to shower on us through Christ. Our God also wants us to share the goods of the earth with all people. (Ordo 2021).

