



PARISH OF OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP
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Dear Parishioners and Friends

I give thanks to God first of all for His great love that brought us where we are today. Our forefathers built our faith on strong foundations with the guidance of the Holy Spirit. This is a beautiful family parish to belong to. You have made it great by your participation, communion and mission of this parish.

I wish to thank all ministries for their tremendous support, and individuals who gave me the strength to overcome all the challenges and stumbling blocks along the way. The renovation works and upgrading of the Church is now the pride and joy of parish.

I'm truly grateful for your contributions and generosity. You have invested so much in building up this community especially after the pandemic. As we move forward to another 50 years, may the blessings of Almighty God be with you and your family.

Happy and Blessed Jubilee to all of you.
 We Redemptorists,
 are honoured and privileged
 to serve you.

(food for thought) (Bulletin 26 June, 2022)
 Gospel: Lk 9: 51-62 *"Hands to the Plow"*



This passage contains some very harsh and strong statements from Jesus. Jesus' response to the first would-be follower is that before deciding to follow Jesus he should first know and realize what he/she must give up. What sacrifices he/she has to make?

The closing sentence is even harder, 'No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.' This is a Jesus who leaves no room for compromise.

Jesus expects a strong level of commitment. Not only must we follow Jesus, whatever the cost, but we must do it immediately and wholeheartedly, and with a sense of urgency.

Jesus did not exclude anyone. What might this mean for me in my life? Might there be anything or anyone which is holding me back from letting God be the first and in charge of my life?

'I will follow you'. Is that where I am? Is that even my desire? Talk with Jesus about this. What has been the 'cost of discipleship' for me? What has been the richness and gift of discipleship for me? What have I received in being a disciple/follower of Jesus? What blessing(s) have I experienced?

Jesus asks for commitment – real commitment. The time for it is now.

If we have not started yet, today is the day! Not too late to proclaim the Kingdom of God and announce the Good News for anyone.