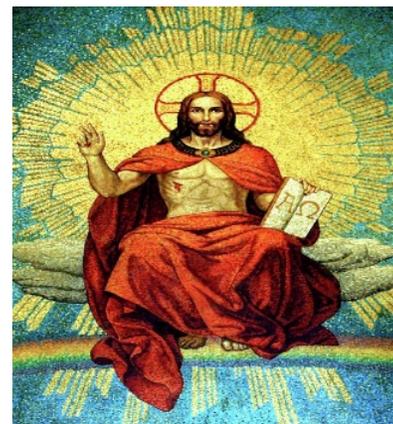


LIVING FAITH

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE
NOVEMBER 22, 2020



THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY: MATTHEW 25:31-46

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory.

All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left.

Then the king will say to those at his right hand,

"Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world;

for I was hungry and you gave me food,

I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,

I was a stranger and you welcomed me,

I was naked and you gave me clothing,

I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me."

Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing?

And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?"

And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you,

just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

REFLECTING ON THE WORD

This Gospel that we hear proclaimed today is often referred to as "the judgment of the nations." It is also the Gospel which sets forth what we have come to know as the "Corporal Works of Mercy. The Corporal Works of Mercy give us a model for how we should treat all others, as if they were Christ in disguise. They "are charitable actions by which we help our neighbours in their bodily needs" They respond to the basic needs of humanity as we journey together through this life. They are love in action. The seven Corporal Works of Mercy are: feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, giving shelter to travellers, visiting the sick, visiting the imprisoned, and burying the dead. Pope Francis, in his address at the Angelus in St Peter's Square last Sunday, described mercy as "the true face of love." "Mercy towards a human life in a state of need is the true face of love" Pope Francis said, explaining that it is by loving the other that one becomes a true disciple of Jesus and that the face of the Father is revealed.

TALKING WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- How do you show love—practical, meaningful love- to people in need?
- What does that love look like?
- What does "mercy" mean to you?
- What is Jesus asking you to do, today, to show love and to build up the Kingdom of God?

THE CHURCH TEACHES

We continue our exploration of Pope Francis' 3rd Encyclical, *Fratelli Tutti*



ENCYCLICAL LETTER
FRATELLI TUTTI
Of the Holy Father Francis
On fraternity and social friendship

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DIALOGUE AND FRIENDSHIP IN SOCIETY

What does it mean to “dialogue”?

- ▶ **APPROACHING**
- ▶ **SPEAKING**
- ▶ **LISTENING**
- ▶ **LOOKING AT**
- ▶ **COMING TO KNOW AND UNDERSTAND ONE ANOTHER**
- ▶ **FINDING COMMON GROUND**



ACCORDING TO THE CULTURE OF ENCOUNTER:

Each of us can learn something from others, no one is useless, and no one is expendable.

A PLURALIST SOCIETY THAT ENCOURAGES DIALOGUE:

- 1 Respects the dignity of others in all circumstances.
- 2 Integrates differences, thus guaranteeing a genuine and lasting peace.
- 3 Recognizes other people's right to be themselves, maintaining an atmosphere of friendliness.

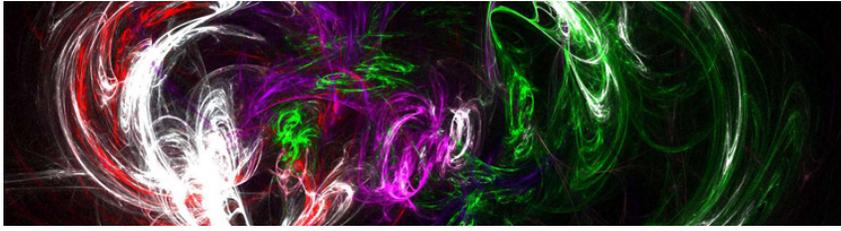


What attitudes or actions do not help toward dialogue?

- ▶ Any aggression we may manifest, for example, on social networks.
- ▶ Monologues that do not listen to others.
- ▶ The quick and humiliating discrediting of others.

“Authentic social dialogue involves the ability to respect the point of view of others.”

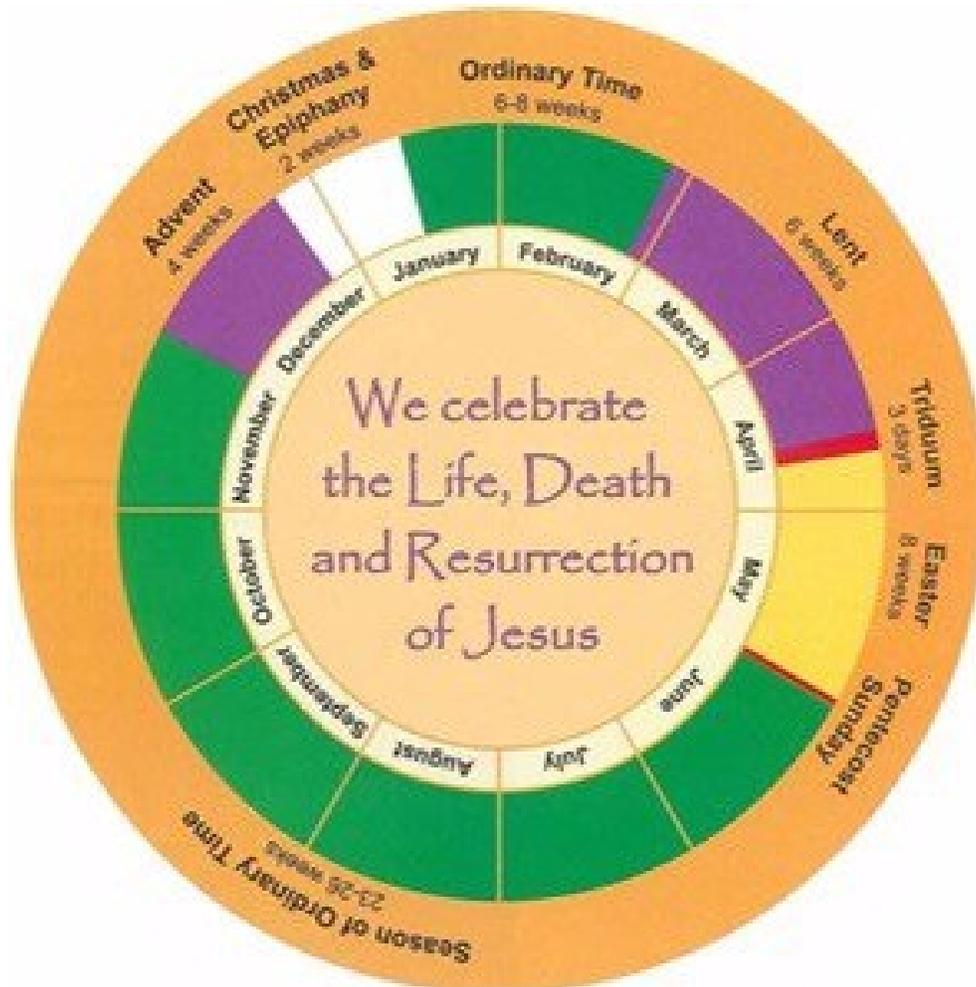
Click [here](#) for an English translation of this Encyclical.



THE LITURGICAL YEAR

Next Sunday, November 29, 2020 we begin a new Liturgical Year. The Liturgical Year begins with the First Sunday of Advent. In the liturgical calendar, Year A is the year in which we will hear the Gospel of Matthew proclaimed, except in Easter Season. In Year B we hear the Gospel of Mark proclaimed, except in Easter Season, and in Year C, we hear the Gospel of Luke proclaimed, again except in Easter Season. In Easter Season, we hear the Gospel of John proclaimed in all years of the liturgical cycle.

We are entering into Year B of the liturgical cycle, and so next week, we will learn more about the Gospel of Mark. For now, here is a map of how the Liturgical Year is structured.



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Unto the Least of These

"The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:40 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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KING	VISIT	DRINK	SICK	STRANGER
TRUTH	THIRSTY	CLOTHES	LEAST	EAT
INVITE	HUNGRY	PRISON	THRONE	BROTHERS

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- youth aged 18-35 can participate in our National Youth Assembly in January 2021.
- meet with Development and Peace partners from countries of the Global South.
- Participate in the Democratic Structures of Development and Peace

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