

## **The Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time    Year C**

**Sunday, November 3, 2019**

Readings: 1) Wisdom 11:22–12:2    2) 2 Thessalonians 1:11–2:2    3) Luke 19:1-10

### **Sunday Liturgy**

The Focus for today's Mass is: **No one is lost to the love of God.**

In love, God created the world and all things in it. His love for all souls moves him to forgive sins so all can repent and know his love. Jesus Christ is the embodiment of his love, and comes to invite and empower each of us, especially the lost, to turn back to God and know the joy of his mercy.

In the Book of Wisdom, the author says that God loves all things because they are his, and he overlooks sin so that all may repent. In the second reading, Paul offers prayer and encouragement to the Thessalonians in their efforts to glorify the Lord. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus empowers Zacchaeus to return to right relationship with him.

### **GENERAL INTERCESSIONS**

#### **PRIEST:**

Placing our trust in the Lord, let us join together and offer him our petitions.

**For the church,**  
**may Christ find us eager and ready for him on the day of his coming.**  
 We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For government officials,**  
**may they be guided by God's grace in working for and promoting justice.**  
 We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For all who are sick, or suffering**  
**from any infirmity of body, mind or spirit.**  
 We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For all those who have died,**  
**may they know the loving welcome of God in heaven.**  
 We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For the love of Jesus may he guide and encourage**  
**members of this faith community to grow in virtue.**  
 We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

**For our own personal intentions..... (long pause)**  
 We Pray to the Lord. Lord, here our prayer.

#### **PRIEST:**

**Father, we entrust our prayers to you in the holy name of your son, Jesus Christ.**

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