30th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 27th, 2024

FAITH @ HOWE

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First Reading: Jeremiah 31: 7-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 126: 1-2,2-3,4-5,6

Second Reading: Hebrew 5: 1-6 **Mark** 10: 46-52

Find full readings from USCCB site here

1. HEAR

Grab your bible and look up the Gospel reading. Don't have one? No worries you can find the Gospel reading by clicking <u>HERE</u>. (Bishop O'Connell's Gospel Reflection page.)

As an alternative to reading the Gospel, you can watch a short video with the proclamation for adults by clicking <u>HERE</u>. (YouTube, Victor Hoagland channel, 3:48 min)

The children can also watch a video proclamation of the Gospel by clicking HERE. (YouTube, CartoonBible, 0:58 min)

2. PRAY

It is often difficult to acknowledge that we have needs and ask for someone to help meet those needs. In the Gospel, Bartimaeus calls out to Jesus despite being discouraged by others.

Talk with Jesus about the things that discourage or prevent you from calling out to him. Listen to what he says to you. How is he calling you? What is he asking you?

Pray for the courage to call out to Jesus and the freedom to answer his call and respond to him. You can do so using your own words or this prayer:

Dear Jesus, I know that in my weakness I can do nothing without your help. Give me the courage to call out to you when I am faced with difficulties, hurt, doubt, fear, and other needs.

Free me from anything that may hold me back from responding to you. Fill me with joy and help me to trust in you. Amen.

3. TALK

The psalm today proclaims, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Share with each other about these questions:

- What great things has God done for me?
- How have I been filled with joy?

In the Gospel, Jesus asks Bartimaeus, "What do you want me to do for you?" and Bartimaeus asks to be able to see. Share with each other:

• What do I want Jesus to do for me now?



