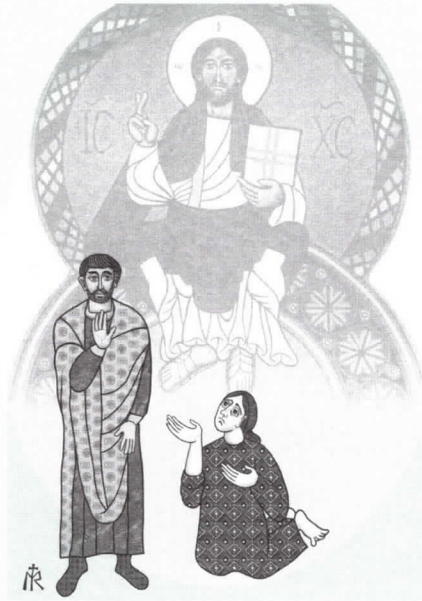


Gospel

Luke 18:1-8

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary. He said, "There was a judge in a certain town who neither feared God nor respected any human being. And a widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.' For a long time the judge was unwilling, but eventually he thought, 'While it is true that I neither fear God nor respect any human being, because this widow keeps bothering me I shall deliver a just decision for her lest she finally come and strike me.'" The Lord said, "Pay attention to what the dishonest judge says.



Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Readings for the week:

29th Sunday

in Ord.Time
Exod 17:8-13
Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
2 Tim 3:14-4:2
Luke 18:1-8

Monday

Eph 2:1-10
Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5
Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday

St. Luke
2 Tim 4:10-17b
Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18
Luke 10:1-9

Wednesday

Eph 3:2-12
Isa 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
Luke 12:39-48

Thursday

Eph 3:14-21
Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19
Luke 12:49-53

Friday

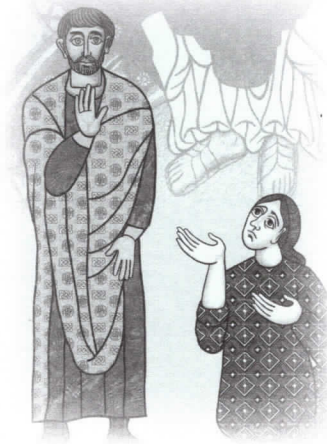
Eph 4:1-6
Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
Luke 12:54-59

Saturday

Eph 4:7-16
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5
Luke 13:1-9

30th Sunday

in Ord.Time
Sir 35:12-14, 16-18
Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23
2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18
Luke 18:9-14



Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,
grant that we may always conform our will to yours
and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

As Jesus travels with his disciples to Jerusalem, today's gospel describes how he tells stories that smash some stereotypes. We meet an insistent widow and an unjust judge whom she gets the better of. The parable is prefaced with Jesus's comment about the need to pray always and not lose heart, but it is a parable that not only illustrates the importance of persistent prayer but also concerns the persistent pursuit of justice.

The judge is described as dishonest and contemptuous in order to put him in sharp contrast with God. If even a judge like this one gave in to the widow because of self-interest and suspect motives, how much more, suggests Jesus, will our compassionate God do justice for those who persist in their prayer and their faith. The destitute and the despised, those on the losing side are offered in the person of Jesus the presence and grace of God. Jesus's disciples, therefore, are to persist in prayer and be accountable for justice, advocating for people on the margins and enabling the defenseless to find their own voices, because what is not just is not of God.

To prayer that is persistent and constant must also be added the qualities of trust and patience that support the belief that God answers persevering prayer when and how God wills. That the timeline may be lengthy is suggested by the "sandwiching" of the parable between the preceding narrative about the "last days" (see Luke 17:20-37) and the last verse of today's reading (Luke 18:8). Our faith should be "night and day" faith like Anna's, the first widow whom we meet in Luke's gospel (2:37), faith that endures until the coming of the Son of Man at the end of both our own personal life and the second coming at the end of human history.

Closing Prayer

Loving God, thank you for the gift of this day and the opportunity to grow in relationship with you. We know you hear us when we pray, and you never tire of listening. May we never tire of reaching out to you as we strive to remain faithful to your Gospel and the way of life to which we are called. **Amen.**

For Reflection:

- How do you practice perseverance in faith?

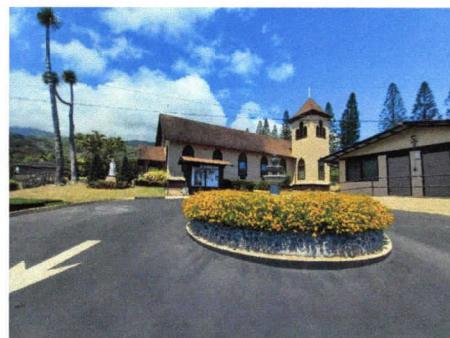
Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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Fr. Anastacio Postrano, Pastor

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Saturday: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

4th Wednesday Masses are at 9:00AM at Hale Makua Nursing Home (Wailuku).

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every 1st Friday: 6:00 AM

CONFESSION

Saturday: 4:30 PM

After every weekday mass or by appointment.

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St. Anthony Church will be having a FALL FAIRE ON October 22, from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the school cafeteria. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

Next week Second Collection for World Mission Day. We are called through baptism to be part of the Church’s missionary efforts, through prayer, self-sacrifice and support of missionary vocations through material aid. Remembering that we are baptized and sent as a Universal Church of Christ on mission in the world, we can PRAY for the Church’s worldwide missionary work, and offer financial help and charity through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for vulnerable communities throughout Asia, Africa, Latin American and the Pacific Islands. Mahalo for your kokua!

Tuesday, October 18th is Bread Day; Pick up 8 a.m. to Noon. Volunteers needed Monday afternoon from 3:30 p.m. – should you have some time please stop by to help with this monthly endeavor. More hands make the load lighter ~ hope to see you there!