

October 16th 2022 29th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Year C – Luke 18:1-8

¹Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. ²He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. ³In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ ⁴For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.’” ⁶And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? ⁸I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?”

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Read and re-read – out loud and slowly the Gospel.➤ Meditate - on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life | <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Pray - Thanksgiving – Repentance – Petition➤ Action – Attitude (Call to change / to act /to do |
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In this week’s gospel Jesus tells his disciples about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. The widow reminds us that her power did not depend on money or influential people but on her moral qualities, her passion and her perseverance. She was doing just as Jesus asked us to do. Have we got the faith as strong as the widow or do we give up easily when we feel our prayers are not being answered?

Prayer:

Thank you Lord for the people who persist in looking for justice for all. We thank you that they continue to cry out even when they feel there is a delay in their request being granted.

Forgive us Lord for the times we have given up hope and belief that our world could be a better place instead of praying continually and believing you are there for us and will answer our prayers in your own good time

Help us Lord to let your church be in word and deed the voice of Jesus seeking justice without vengeance.

