



Getting Ready for Sunday

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday, 27 October 2024

The Healing of Blind Bartimaeus

Mark 10:46-52



They came to Jericho.

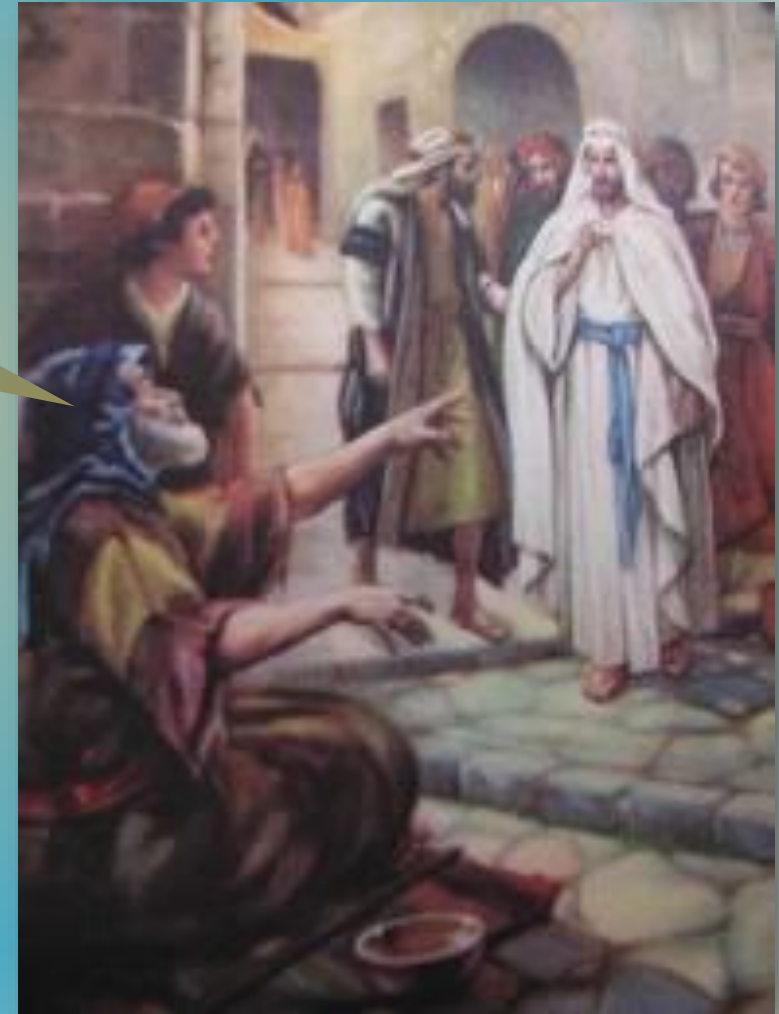
As he and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside.



When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say-

Jesus, Son of David,
have mercy on me!

How did Bartimaeus
know this was Jesus?



Jesus stood still and said -

Call him here.



*When did you
last call to Jesus
in need?*

And they called the blind man, saying to him-

Take heart; get up,
he is calling you.

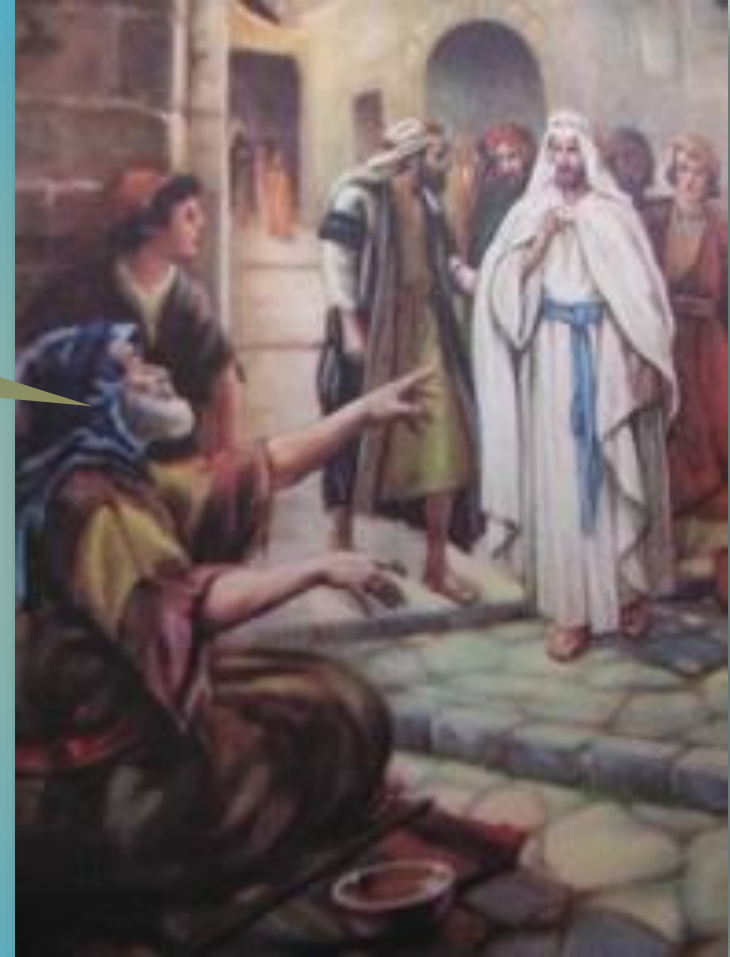


The Healing of the Blind Bartimaeus by Harold Copping

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*How do you think
Bartimaeus was feeling as
he realised that Jesus was
really listening to him?*



So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.



Then Jesus said to him -

What do you want
me to do for you?

What do you
ask of Jesus
today?



The blind man said to him -



My teacher, let me see again.

Jesus said to him,
Go - your faith has made you well.



Your faith has made you well!

What does that mean?

What meaning does it have for your life?

Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Do you have any worry, difficulty,
argument, illness or loss that is causing
you pain?

What kind of healing do you need
today?

Bible Search

A vibrant autumn landscape. In the center, a large, full-canopied tree with leaves in shades of red, orange, and yellow stands on a small patch of ground. The background features rolling hills in warm, golden tones. The foreground is filled with a field of wheat, its stalks also in warm autumn colors. The sky is filled with large, fluffy white and yellow clouds, suggesting a bright, sunny day. The overall mood is peaceful and serene.

**Read Mark 10:46-52 in your family Bible-this is the
Gospel reading at Mass this Sunday.**

Activity

Write out the Gospel passage putting yourself into some part of it and then see how it feels to be there. Or you may prefer to draw a picture! What is Jesus saying to you?



Consider



- Imagine what it is like to be blind.
- Have you ever been blind to anything?
- Have you ever been blind to how you effect others by your behaviour and attitude?
- Have you ever been blind to the fact that you are loved by others and by God?

A person with a backpack and a glowing lantern is walking on a path through a mountainous landscape. The scene is illuminated by a green aurora in the sky. The person is in the center of the frame, walking away from the viewer. The mountains are dark and jagged, and the path is a light brown color. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and spiritual.

Praying to Jesus

If you realise that you are blind, go back to the words Bartimaeus says to Jesus and perhaps you can now say them to Jesus in prayer as you imagine yourself sitting by the roadside in need of His help.