29th Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Sunday, October 16, 2022

Lead Story Headline:
Never Give Up

“Always be true to what you were taught and what you believe.”
2 Timothy 3:14

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Jesus wanted to teach his disciples that they should always pray and never give up. So he told them this story: “Once there was a judge who lived in a certain town. Now this man didn’t believe in God, and he didn’t care about people either. There was a woman, who was a widow, living in the same town. She kept going to the judge and saying, “I am being treated unfairly! Do something about it. Help me!” “For a while the judge didn’t do anything. But finally he thought, ‘Even though I don’t care about God or people, I will help this woman so she will stop bothering me. If I don’t help her, she’ll never leave me alone, and I’m tired of her coming here.’” Then Jesus said, “Pay attention to what this bad judge said! Now think about this: If people pray to God every day, won’t God, who is good, answer their prayers? Will God refuse for a while, like this bad judge? No, God will answer their prayers right away! Now I ask you, when I come again, will I find people who believe like this?”

This is the Good News of the Lord.


Food For Thought...

Did you know that you can pray wherever you are at any time? Prayer doesn’t have to be at a specific time or in a specific place. You can do it all the time. You can even use it like a conversation with God. Just talk to Him like a friend and you are praying!


What Do You Think?

1. Why do you think the judge only gave the woman what she wanted because she was bothering him?

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2. What do you think God is like? Do you think he won’t give you what you pray for? Or do you think he will help you? Do you think he is like the judge?

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Activity: Prayer Hand

There are many different types of prayer. There are 5 main ones that you can learn more about on the last page! Can you name any of the types of prayer before you go ahead and learn more? Check out this prayer hand that will help you to always remember the kinds of prayer!

“...when I come again, will I find people who believe like this?” Luke 18:8

Check It Out...

Look for Tomkin the Catholic Cowboy’s video online about the sign of the cross to learn what to do before and after your prayers!

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Inside Scoop...

There are many different types of prayers that we can use for different times in our lives.

1. Blessing or Adoration: we use this type of prayer to adore God.
2. Thanksgiving: when you want to thank God for all that He has given you, you use a prayer of thanksgiving.
3. Petition: if there is something that you need, you use a prayer of petition to ask God for it.
4. Intercession: if there are other people that we want God to help, we use a prayer of intercession.
5. Praise: we use prayers of praise to praise God for all He does and all that He is.

You can use all types of prayers to pray for anything in your life! Try to think of ways that you can use them all.

Do you ever feel like God isn’t listening to your prayers? Think about how many people are praying to God. God wants to be there for all of His children but it may take time because there are so many of us. Whenever you feel like God hasn't heard your prayers remember this word, P-U-S-H. This word stands for Pray Until Something Happens. Know that God wants to be there for us all, but that you have to keep praying. Always pray until something happens.


“Ask and you will have. Seek and you will find. Knock and the door will be opened to you.”