



# A Lesson in Humility

"For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." Luke 14:11 (NIV)  
The puzzle is based on Luke 14:7-14



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G Z S Z B R K V L A M E I G Y  
C D E O I A A E L E A S T N M  
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POOR	EXALT	FEAST	HONOR	DINNER
FRIEND	SEAT	TABLE	HUMBLE	RICH
LAME	INVITE	GUESTS	LEAST	BLIND



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# REFLECTION

The first analogy of today’s gospel is set at a wedding banquet. Jesus says: “When you are invited by anyone to a marriage feast, do not sit down in a place of honor, lest a more eminent man than you be invited by him; and he who invited you both will come and say to you, ‘Give place to this man’, and then you will begin with shame to take the lowest place” (Lk 14:8-9). With this recommendation, Jesus does not intend to give rules of social behaviour, but rather a lesson on the value of humility. History teaches that pride, careerism, vanity and ostentation are the causes of many evils. And Jesus helps us to understand the necessity of choosing the last place, that is, of seeking to be small and hidden: humility. When we place ourselves before God in this dimension of humility, God exalts us, he stoops down to us so as to lift us up to himself; “For every one who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted” (v. 11).

Jesus’ words emphasize completely different and opposing attitudes: the attitude of those who choose their own place and the attitude of those who allow God to assign it and await a reward from Him. Let us not forget this: God pays much more than men do! He gives us a much greater place than that which men give us! The place that God gives us is close to his heart and his reward is eternal life. “You will be blessed”, Jesus says, “you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just” (v. 14).

This is what is described in the second parable, in which Jesus points out the attitude of selflessness that ought to characterize hospitality, and he says: “But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you” (vv. 13-14). This means choosing gratuitousness rather than self-seeking and calculating to obtain a reward, seeking interest and trying to increase your wealth. Indeed, the poor, the simple, those who ‘don’t count’, can never reciprocate an invitation to a meal. In this way Jesus shows his preference for the poor and the excluded, who are the privileged in the Kingdom of God, and he launches the fundamental message of the Gospel which is to serve others out of love for God.

Today, Jesus gives voice to those who are voiceless, and to each one of us he addresses an urgent appeal to open our hearts and to make our own the sufferings and anxieties of the poor, the hungry, the marginalized, the refugees, those who are defeated by life, those who are rejected by society and by the arrogance of the strong. And those who are discarded make up the vast majority of the population.

Let us ask the Virgin Mary, who was humble throughout her whole life, to lead us every day along the way of humility, and to render us capable of free gestures of welcome and solidarity with those who are marginalized, so as to become worthy of the divine reward.

**Pope Francis**

# NOTICES

**The Catholic Charismatic Renewal** invites everyone to their day of Renewal at the St. Joseph Catholic Church (Pomme Rose) this Sunday August 31st at 2:00pm.

**First Holy Communion** class at the Cathedral begins on Monday 8th September, 3:00 pm at Norton Hall. Persons are asked to register at the parish office.

**1st year and 2nd year Confirmation** classes resumes on Tuesday 9th September at 3:30pm. No new students would be admitted this term.

**The Missionaries of Charity** are inviting all to a celebration of the feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta on Friday 5th September at 10:00 am at the Cathedral starting with a mass.

We would like to wish **all students and teachers** returning to the classrooms a safe and productive school term.

**The St. Vincent de Paul St. George’s Conference** extends heartfelt gratitude to those who donated and supported the fund raising event. Your generosity was sincerely appreciated.

*WEEKDAY READINGS (PSALTER WEEK 2)*

**01 Monday - Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
First Thessalonians 4: 13-18; Luke 4:31-37

**02 Tuesday - Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
First Thessalonians 5: 1-6, 9-11 ; Luke 4: 31-37

**03 Wednesday - St. Gregory the Great, Bishop & Doctor**  
Colossians 1: 1-8; Luke 4: 38-44

**04 Thursday - Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
Colossians 1: 9-14; Luke 5: 1-11

**05 Friday - St. Teresa of Calcutta**  
Colossians 1: 15-20; Luke 5: 33-39

**06 Saturday - Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
Colossians 1: 21-23; Luke 6: 1-5

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:**  
Limo Grant, Ann Bishop, Thelma Joseph, Michael Philbert, Dean Andrew, Clarissa Bain, Arnold Joseph, Ambrose Noel, Andrea Jessica, Veronica Thomas, Emma Joseph, Joseph Ross, Finley Gill.

**Nutrition Tip for the week**  
Medication should be taken as prescribed along with dietary changes to manage symptoms or health condition.

## Catechesis Corner

### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS CONT...

#### THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT

##### I. "Male and Female He Created Them . . ."

"God is love and in himself he lives a mystery of personal loving communion. Creating the human race in his own image . . . God inscribed in the humanity of man and woman the vocation, and thus the capacity and responsibility, of love and communion." (FC 11).

"God created man in his own image . . . male and female he created them"; (Gen 1:27). He blessed them and said, "Be fruitful and multiply"; (Gen 1:28). "When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man when they were created." (Gen 5:1-2).

Sexuality affects all aspects of the human person in the unity of his body and soul. It especially concerns affectivity, the capacity to love and to procreate, and in a more general way the aptitude for forming bonds of communion with others.

Everyone, man and woman, should acknowledge and accept his sexual identity. Physical, moral, and spiritual difference and complementarity are oriented toward the goods of marriage and the flourishing of family life. the harmony of the couple and of society depends in part on the way in which the complementarity, needs, and mutual support between the sexes are lived out.

"In creating men 'male and female,' God gives man and woman an equal personal dignity." ( FC 22; cf. GS 49 # 2). "Man is a person, man and woman equally so, since both were created in the image and likeness of the personal God." (MD 6).

Each of the two sexes is an image of the power and tenderness of God, with equal dignity though in a different way. the union of man and woman in marriage is a way of imitating in the flesh the Creator's generosity and fecundity: "Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and cleaves to his wife, and they become one flesh." ( Gen 2:24). All human generations proceed from this union. (Cf. Gen 4:1-2, 25-26; 5:1).

Jesus came to restore creation to the purity of its origins. In the Sermon on the Mount, he interprets God's plan strictly: "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that every one who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart." (Mt 5:27-28). What God has joined together, let not man put asunder.<sup>123</sup> The tradition of the Church has understood the sixth commandment as encompassing the whole of human sexuality.

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### COLLECTIONS:

#### 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time /C - 24th August, 2025

Cathedral 6.00 p.m.	\$ 7 11.10	Belmont	\$ 326.00
Cathedral 8.00 a.m.	\$ 740.50	Mt. Mortiz	\$ 278.40
Happy Hill	\$1017.05	Brizan	\$ 234.67
Tempe	\$ 426.50		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 3,734.22</b>		

### THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in Heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, **Pilgrims of Hope**, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. **Amen**.

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST:

#### For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

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### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time / C - August 31st, 2025

#### Sunday Mass Schedules:

Cathedral Saturday: 6:00 p.m.  
Belmont Saturday: 6:00 p.m.  
Brizan Sunday: 6:30 a.m.  
Cathedral Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Happy Hill Sunday: 8:00 a.m.  
Tempe Sunday: 8:00 a.m.  
Fontenoy Sunday: 10:00 a.m.  
Mt. Moritz Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

#### Weekday Masses:

Cathedral: 6:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Happy Hill - Wednesday - 6 pm

#### CONFESSIO:

Cathedral: Saturdays: 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
(Priests available at request)

### Welcome!

We have come to honour the invitation of Jesus to His Eucharistic Supper. He is the Host, we are the guests. Here every place is a place of honour. Let us humble ourselves in His presence.

**First Reading:** From the Book of Ecclesiasticus chapter 3 verses 17 to 20 and 28 to 29. The person who is humble is praised in this reading.

**Second Reading:** From the letter to the Hebrews chapter 12 verses 18 to 19 and 22 to 24. As a father shows his concern for his son by training him in discipline, so God trains his children through suffering.

**Gospel:** According to Luke chapter 14 verses 1, 7 to 14. The Kingdom of God is offered, not just to the Jews, but to people from the four corners of the world.