

Year B; Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Liturgical Elements
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Lectionary Texts

- Job 42:1-6, 10-17
- Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22)
- Hebrews 7:23-28
- Mark 10:46-52

CALL TO WORSHIP (*from Psalm 34*)

One: We will bless the Lord at all times;
All: his praises shall continually be in our mouths.
One: Our souls make their boasts in the Lord;
All: let the humble hear and be glad.
One: O magnify the Lord with me,
All: and let us exalt his name together.
One: O taste and see that the Lord is good;
All: happy are those who take refuge in him. Let us worship God!

***CALL TO CONFESSION** (*from Hebrews 7*)

When we approach our Lord Jesus enthroned in heaven through prayer, we do not approach a High Priest like other high priests. He has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, but this he did once for all when he offered himself. Let us ask for God's forgiveness through Jesus Christ.

***SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (30 seconds)

***CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (*Mark 10*)

Merciful God, the blind beggar called out to Jesus, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" and he called him forward, talked with him, and healed him. Too often, we come upon those in need of mercy and healing, or we see them on our televisions, our computers, and our phones, and we look away. Other times and without asking, we meet the need we assume to be the problem. Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us, and grow us into the ways you demonstrated. We pray this to the Father in your holy name. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (*from Hebrews 7*)

Jesus holds the priesthood permanently because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. Trust in Jesus and in his forgiveness. **Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (*from Psalm 34*)

God, our provider, as with the Psalmist, we know that you are worthy of our exaltations. When we seek you, O Lord, you answer us. When we are troubled by fears and cry out, you deliver us. You save us from trouble and you place your angel around those who fear you. You deliver us. If we are willing to taste — to try — you, we learn that you are good. We offer our thanks and our tithes to you in response to your blessings. Amen.

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