

Morning Prayer, October 21, 2013

Encounters with Jesus

Sign of the Cross

Introduction (*Leader*)

Part 1. Encounters with Jesus in His Word

- Reader 1.
- Scripture (Luke 5: 1 – 11)
- Questions for Reflection
- Prayer (together) Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Teach us to listen to your word with an attentive, open mind and heart, so that we may learn your plan for us. Teach us, as you once taught your apostles and disciples, by your parables and your daily example. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

PART 2. Encounters with Jesus in His Sacraments

- Reader 2.
- Scripture (Luke 24: 13 – 35)
- Questions for Reflection
- Prayer (together) Lord Jesus Christ, Grant us a new sense of your loving Presence, and by the light of your Holy Spirit open our minds to your Presence and love. As the hearts of the Emmaus walkers burned within them so long ago, so may your loving Presence be the source of warmth and light to us as we walk with you daily. To you be thanks and praise, in the glory of the Father and the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Part 3. Encounters with Jesus in Works of Charity

- Reader 3.
- Scripture (Matthew 26: 31 – 40)
- Questions for Reflection
- Prayer (together) O Lord, do not let us turn into broken vessels that can hold no water, do not let us be so blinded by the enjoyment of the good things of earth that our hearts become insensitive to the cry of the poor, of the sick, of orphaned children and of those innumerable brothers and sisters of ours who lack the necessary minimum to eat, to clothe their nakedness, and to gather their family together under one roof .(Pope John xxiii)

Concluding Rite: Blessing and Sending Forth (Father Hearn)

Living God, we thank you for feeding us with Your Word. Take us and use us to love and serve You and all people. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus, send us out with confidence in Your Word, to tell the world of Your saving acts and bring glory to Your name. **Amen.**

May the Lord Jesus draw you to Himself; may the Lord Jesus strengthen you in His service; may the joy of the Lord Jesus fill Your hearts. **Amen.**

May Almighty God bless you, Father , Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen

Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.

(Response) Thanks be to God.