



Our Lady of Peace Catholic Primary & Nursery School

32nd Week of Ordinary Time

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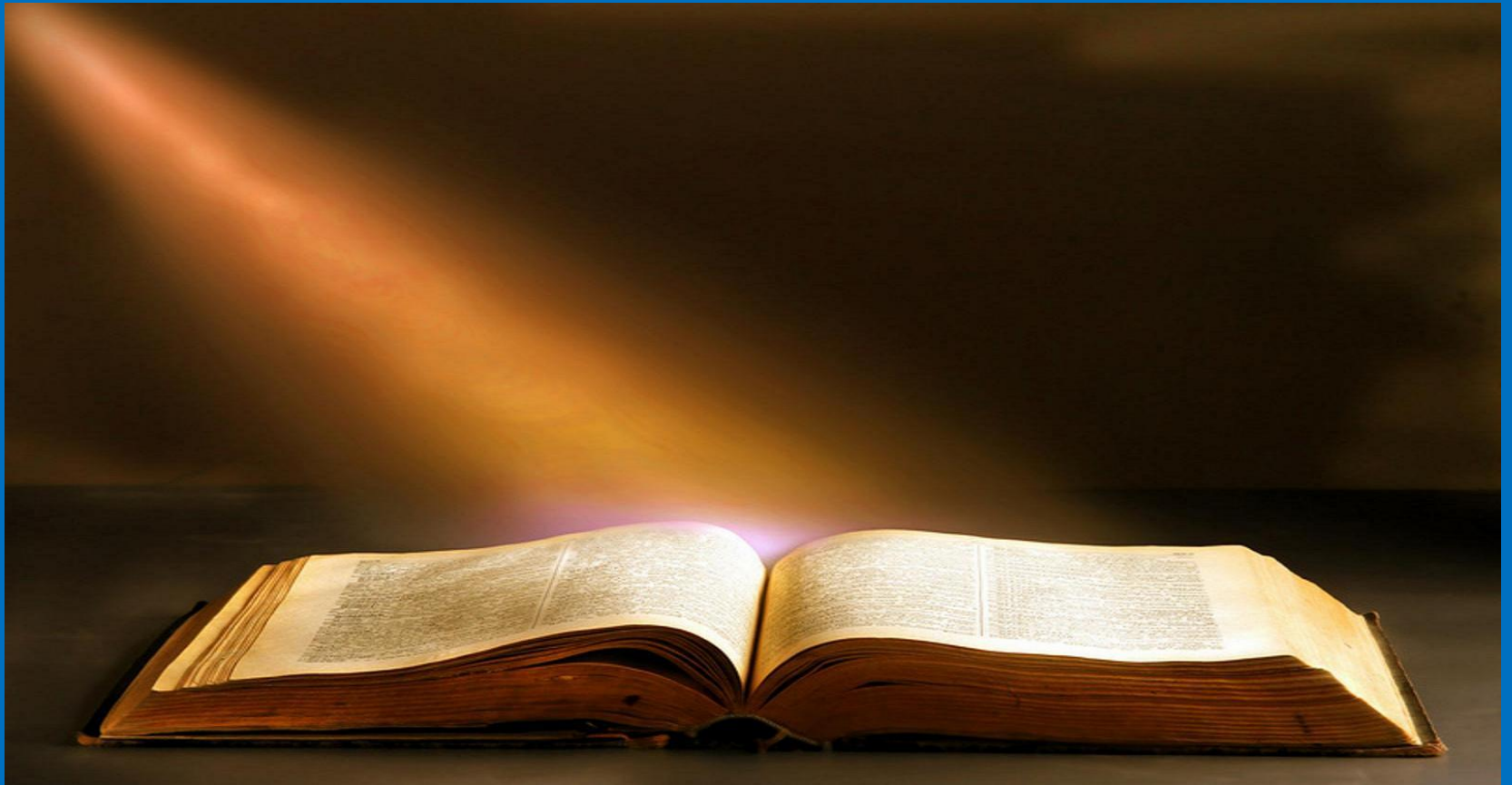
Introduction

- Today's Gospel story teaches us that it is now how much we give to others that is important, but how we give it and what is in our hearts at that moment.

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Gospel Acclamation



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Alleluia, alleluia.

Happy are the poor, because they
will see the Kingdom of God

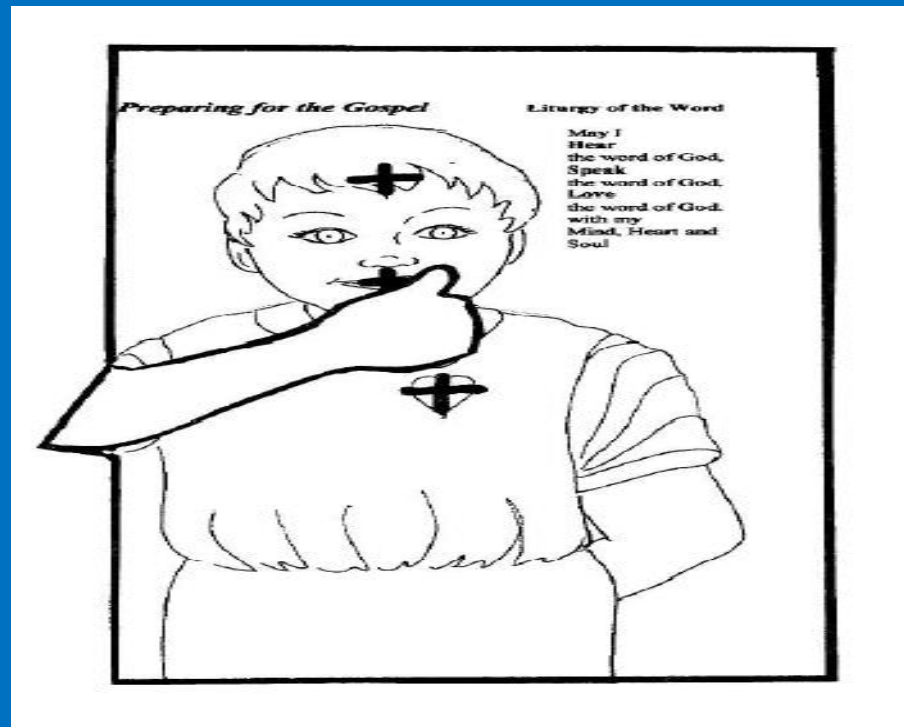
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The Lord be with you

Response: And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Mark

Response: Glory to you, O Lord



Gospel



Gospel - Mark 12:41-44

When Jesus was at the Temple one day, he watched the people putting their money in the collection box as their offerings. Many of the wealthy Jews gave large amounts of money. The poor old women came into the Temple and dropped some small coins worth as little as one pence, into the box. Seeing this, Jesus turned to his disciples and said, 'This old women has given more than any of the others! They gave money that they could spare, but she has given all the money she had.'

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The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Reflection 1



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The message from the Bible today says that when you share with others it is easy when you have plenty because we do not really miss what we have given away. It is much harder to give to others when we have very little ourselves.

Reflection 2



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Imagine if you have a large bag of sweets and were asked to share it with everyone in this room. This would be easy to do as there would be enough for everyone and still have some left over. However, imagine you had just one of your favourite sweets. How easy do you think it would be to give that precious sweet away to someone else?

Reflection 3



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The poor old woman did not have much money and because of that Jesus said she had given the most because that was ALL she had.

Take a few moments to think about ways you can give something to others.....

You could give your love, your time, your toys and possessions, your happiness and your friendship.

Giving and sharing with a loving and sincere heart is what really matters to God.

Prayer



Closing Prayer

Dear God,

Teach us how to share and never to be greedy because everything that we have comes from you.

Help us to be generous with our money and also with our love, our time, our toys, our possessions, our happiness and our friendship.

Amen