

SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME NAME: _____

MARK 10:46-52



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This week we hear the story of a blind man named Bartimaeus. This man, a beggar, believed in Jesus so much that he begged Jesus to help him. Jesus' friends, the disciples, tell him to leave Jesus alone - but Jesus is touched by Bartimaeus' faith, and asks his disciples to bring him to him. Jesus listens to the man's request to help him see, has mercy on him and heals him! Now able to see for himself, Bartimaeus immediately becomes a follower of Jesus!

If we ask the Lord to help us, He will! While he may not answer our exact prayer or request, He will help us in some way. It may be a person put in our path or gentle guidance to sort out a problem.

Our faith can help us "see" as God wants us to see! Many times in our lives we are "blind" to things around us: to the needs of friends or the poor, to hurtful things we say or do, or to God's many blessings in our lives. This week, ask Jesus to help open your eyes to see people as Jesus sees them and bring His light to them.

FOR MORE FUN

- ★ This month we've learned about many of the miracles Jesus performed. Did you know that miracles continue to happen today? Every time the church declares a person a "Saint," documented miracles are presented as evidence of heavenly intercessions!

We have many examples of modern miracles! Read about the miraculous healing of Father Patrick Peyton when he was in the seminary at FatherPeyton.org!

- ★ This week on November 1 is All Saints Day. As Catholics, we remember the Saints of our Church and ask the Holy Spirit to direct our paths so we may also be Saints some day! Heaven is full of Saints - some we know, many we don't! All of us are called to aspire to be all that God created us to be - and to be Saints with Jesus in Heaven!