



Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 2025

Luke 16:19-31

You can share a variety of liturgies linked to this week's gospel with your child at home.

You can find weekly Gospel Liturgies from The Mark 10 Mission by clicking on the link [here](#).

You can also share the Children's Liturgy from Redemptorist Publications with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph by clicking this link [here](#).

Check this newsletter regularly for other links to liturgies designed for children.

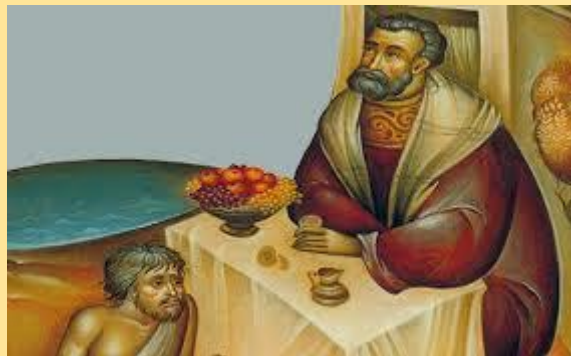
Each week, you can download a weekly Bible verse from *The God Who Speaks* website.

[Click here](#) to access the Weekly Bible Verse archive.



There was once a rich man who dressed in the most expensive clothes and lived in great luxury every day. There was also a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who used to be brought to the rich man's door, hoping to eat the bits of food that fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

The poor man died and was carried by the angels to sit beside Abraham at the feast in heaven. The rich man died and was buried, and in Hades, where he was in great pain, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus at his side. So he called out "Father Abraham! Take pity on me, and send Lazarus to dip his finger in some water and cool my tongue, because I am in great pain in this fire!"



But Abraham said, "Remember my son, that in your lifetime you were given all the good things, while Lazarus got all the bad things. But now he is enjoying himself here, while you are in pain. Besides all that, there is a deep pit lying between us,

so that those who want to cross over from here to you cannot do so, nor can anyone cross over to us from where you are." The rich man said, "Then I beg you, Father Abraham, send Lazarus to my father's house, where I have five brothers. Let him go and warn them so that they, at least, will not come to this place of pain."

Abraham said, "Your brothers have Moses and the prophets to warn them; your brothers should listen to what they say." The rich man answered, "That is not enough, Father Abraham! But if someone were to rise from death and go to them, then they would turn from their sins." But Abraham said, "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone were to rise from death."

(Gospel passage taken from Good News Translation® and used with permission, see details below)*

The rich man wears fine clothes and feasts every day on the best food that he can get. He has more than he needs.

Lazarus sits outside the rich man's gate. He is poor and he is hungry. He is also sick. He wishes that he could eat the leftovers that fall from the rich man's table.

What does the rich man do to help Lazarus? How do you think Lazarus feels about being ignored while the rich man eats his tasty food?

What do you think about how the rich man treats Lazarus? What do you think the rich man should do?

Can you think of a time when you have ignored someone? Or a time when you have been ignored? How did you feel?

We all have times when we could help others. We all have times when we need some support.

Why do you think Jesus told this story?

God created the world with enough food for everyone. But we are not sharing fairly. Some of us are like the rich man and we have more food than we can eat. Some of us are like Lazarus and go to bed hungry every night.

How does hearing this make you feel? What do you think we can do to make sure everyone has enough to eat?

We can take no more than we need, share what we have and call on people in power to make sure that everyone has the food that they need.

Every single person in the world is special. We are all loved by God. And every single person in our big global family has the right to enough food to live a healthy life.

But some of us aren't able to get enough food. This is a big problem, and it's not easy to solve. Sometimes when something is difficult we ignore it, hoping that the problem will go away.

Can you think of a time when you've hoped a problem would just go away? What happened?

The rich man in Jesus' story is a bit like this. He ignores Lazarus, even though Lazarus is right outside his gate.

God calls us to give what we can, of our time and our talents and our money, and to do all that we can to help each other get enough to eat. God asks us not to ignore each other, but to help one another.

How can you work together with others locally and around the world to make sure that all the members of our global family have enough food to eat? How will you help to build a better world?

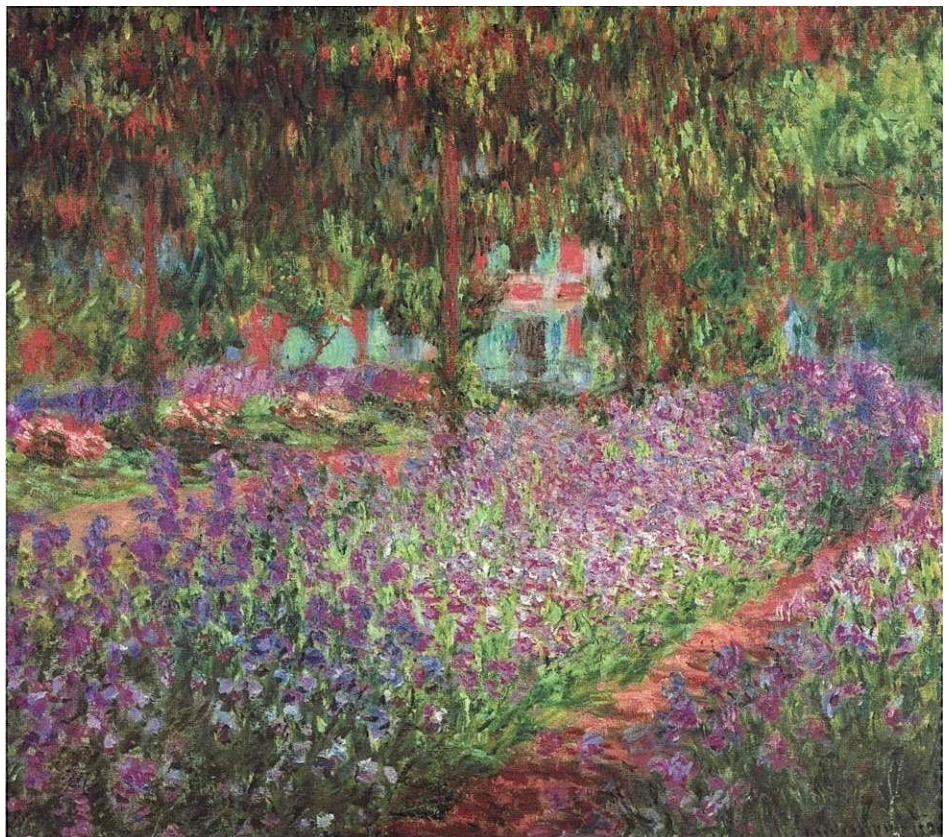
Art can help
bring the
Gospel to
life for
children.



You may find the
website [Christian Art](#) enjoyable to
explore with your child. Each day they
share artwork linked to the daily
Gospel.

**Some seed fell into good soil, and
yielded a hundredfold
Luke 8:4-15**

**The Artist's Garden at Giverny,
Painting by Claude Monet (1840-
1926),
Painted in 1900,
Oil on canvas
© Musée d'Orsay, Paris**



We can worship and pray through Music. For this week's Gospel, enjoy listening to both traditional and contemporary worship music!



Traditional: [We Are Marching](#) - South African from traditional Zulu song

Contemporary: [You'll Come](#) by Brooke Ligertwood



You can now access the Ten:Ten Parent Portal at home with the details below.

Ten:Ten
Resources

Username: st-michaels-tw15

Password: thames-orange

Parent Portal:

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal



YouCat is a guide to the Catechism of the Catholic Church for children. It is an easy read and a user friendly guide for parents and carers to support their children.

You can find out more about YouCat at www.youcat.org

Catholic Social Teaching:

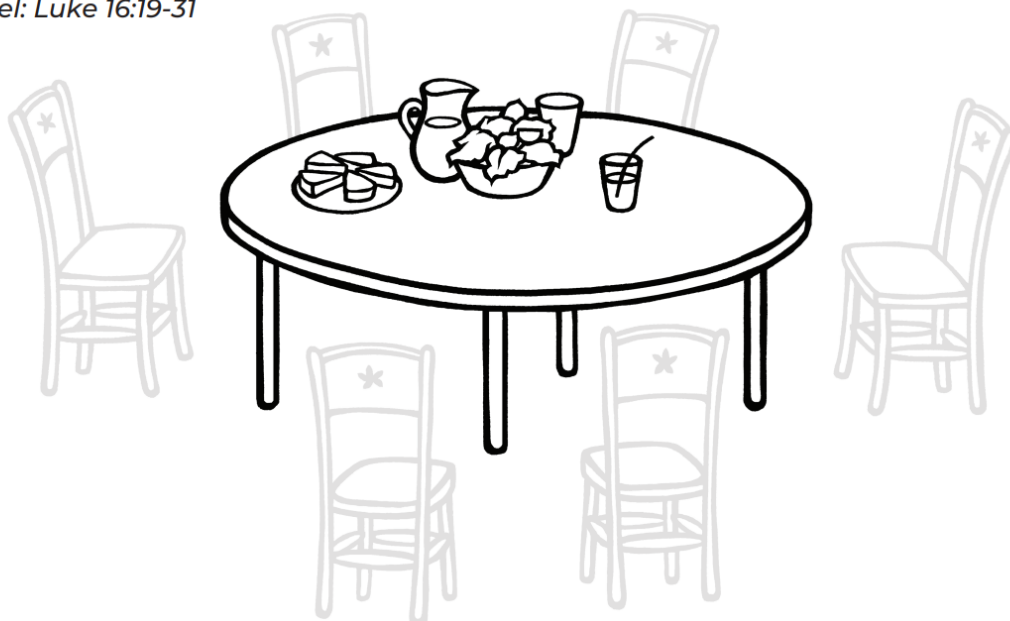
Which principle do you think the gospel teaching best relate to this week?

**DIGNITY SOLIDARITY THE COMMON GOOD THE OPTION FOR THE POOR PEACE
CARE FOR CREATION THE DIGNITY OF WORK AND PARTICIPATION**



This week's Gospel activity sheet from [CAFOD](#):

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Date	Feast / Memorial	Type
Sept 3 (Wed)	St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor	Memorial
Sept 8 (Mon)	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Feast
Sept 9 (Tue)	St. Peter Claver, Priest	Memorial
Sept 12 (Fri)	Most Holy Name of Mary	Optional Mem.
Sept 13 (Sat)	St. John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor	Memorial
Sept 14 (Sun)	Exaltation of the Holy Cross	Feast
Sept 15 (Mon)	Our Lady of Sorrows	Memorial
Sept 16 (Tue)	Sts. Cornelius (Pope) & Cyprian (Bishop)	Memorial
Sept 17 (Wed)	St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor	Memorial
Sept 20 (Sat)	Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang & Companions, Martyrs	Memorial
Sept 21 (Sun)	St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist	Feast
Sept 23 (Tue)	St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest	Memorial
Sept 26 (Fri)	Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs	Optional Mem.
Sept 27 (Sat)	St. Vincent de Paul, Priest	Memorial
Sept 28 (Sun)	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday Mass
Sept 29 (Mon)	Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels	Feast
Sept 30 (Tue)	St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor	Memorial