

Getting Ready for Sunday!



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke 18:1-8

The Parable of the Widow and the Unjust Judge

We are coming close to the end of the Church Year! Another name for the Church Year is the Liturgical Cycle.

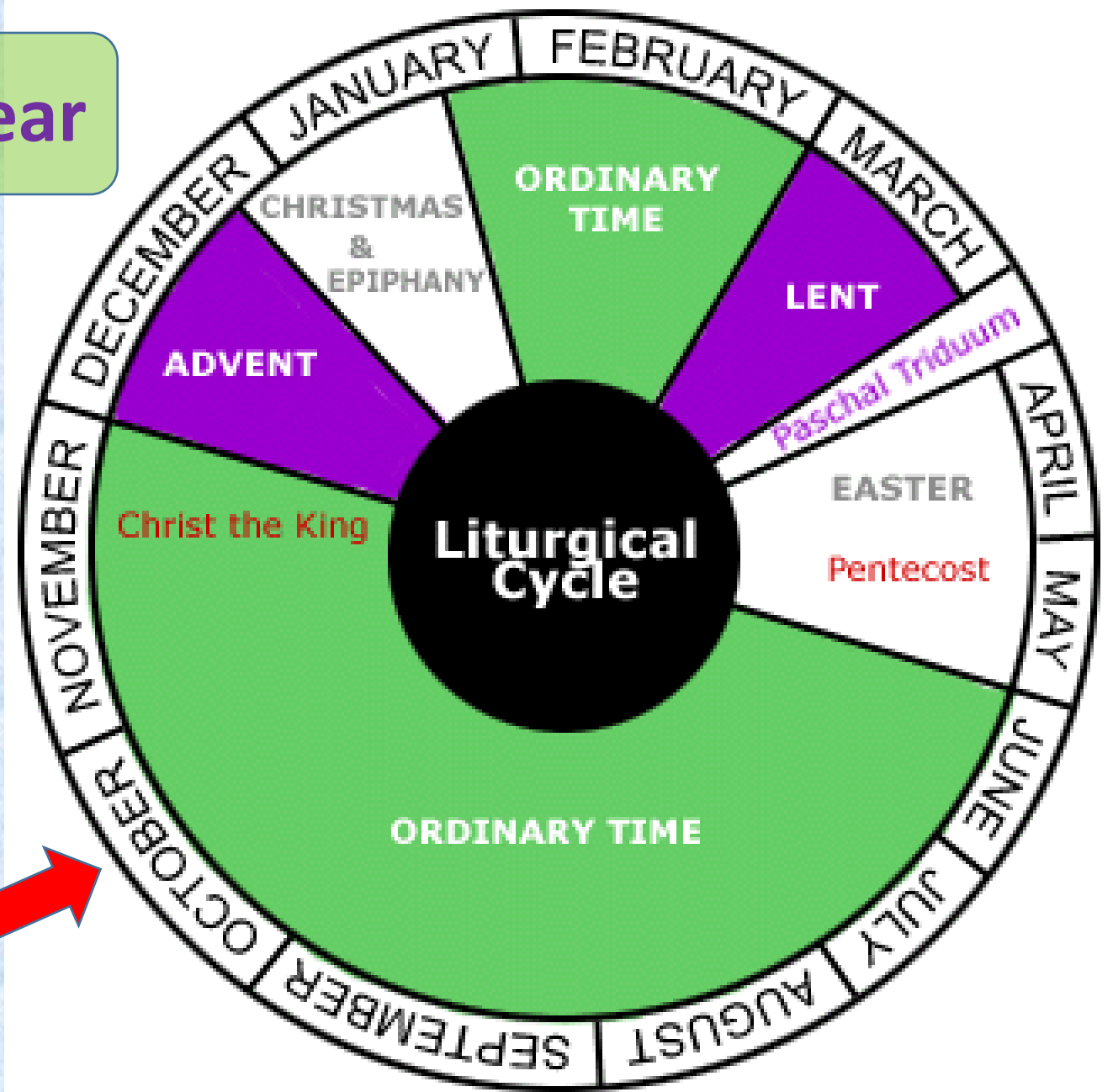
We move through the Liturgical Year in Jesus' loving company.

When the disciples grew closer to Jesus and took responsibility for building God's kingdom on earth, Jesus challenged them so that kingdom values of love, justice, prayer, peace, etc would be generously shared.

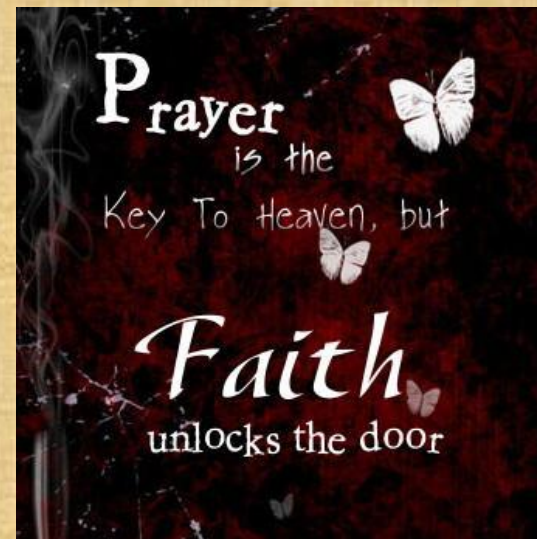
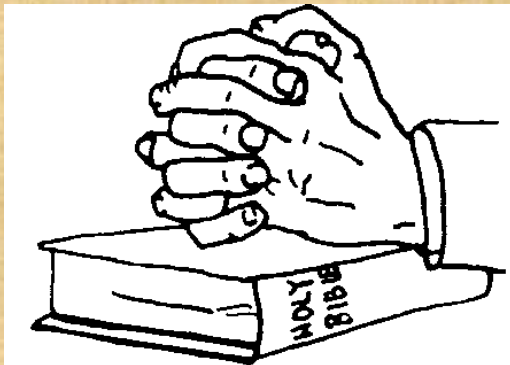
Once again, Jesus uses the medium of story to share an important message with His disciples! He tells another Parable!

As we move towards the end of the church year, what hopes and challenges are offered to us in today's Gospel passage?

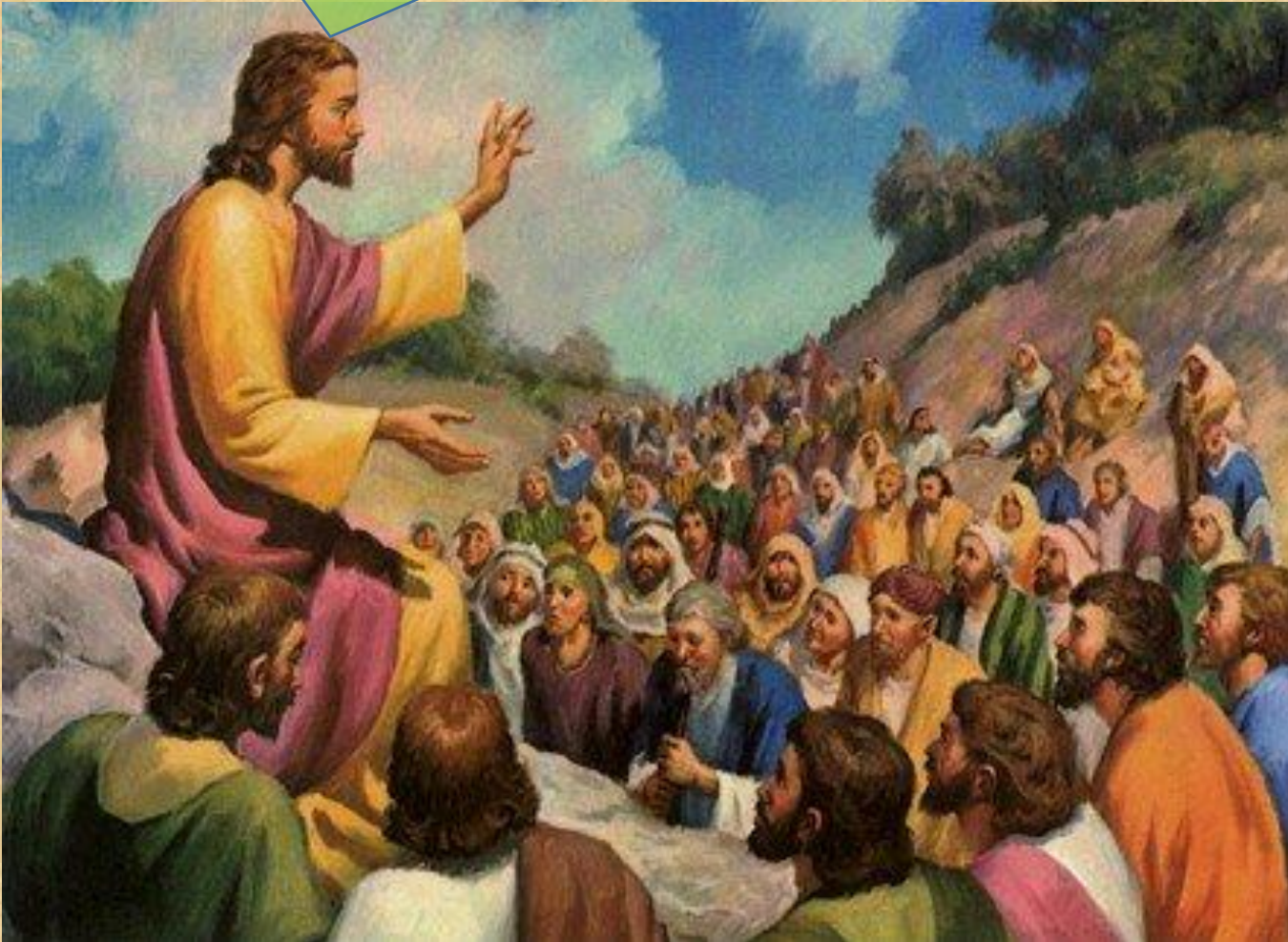
Liturgical Cycle of the Year



Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.



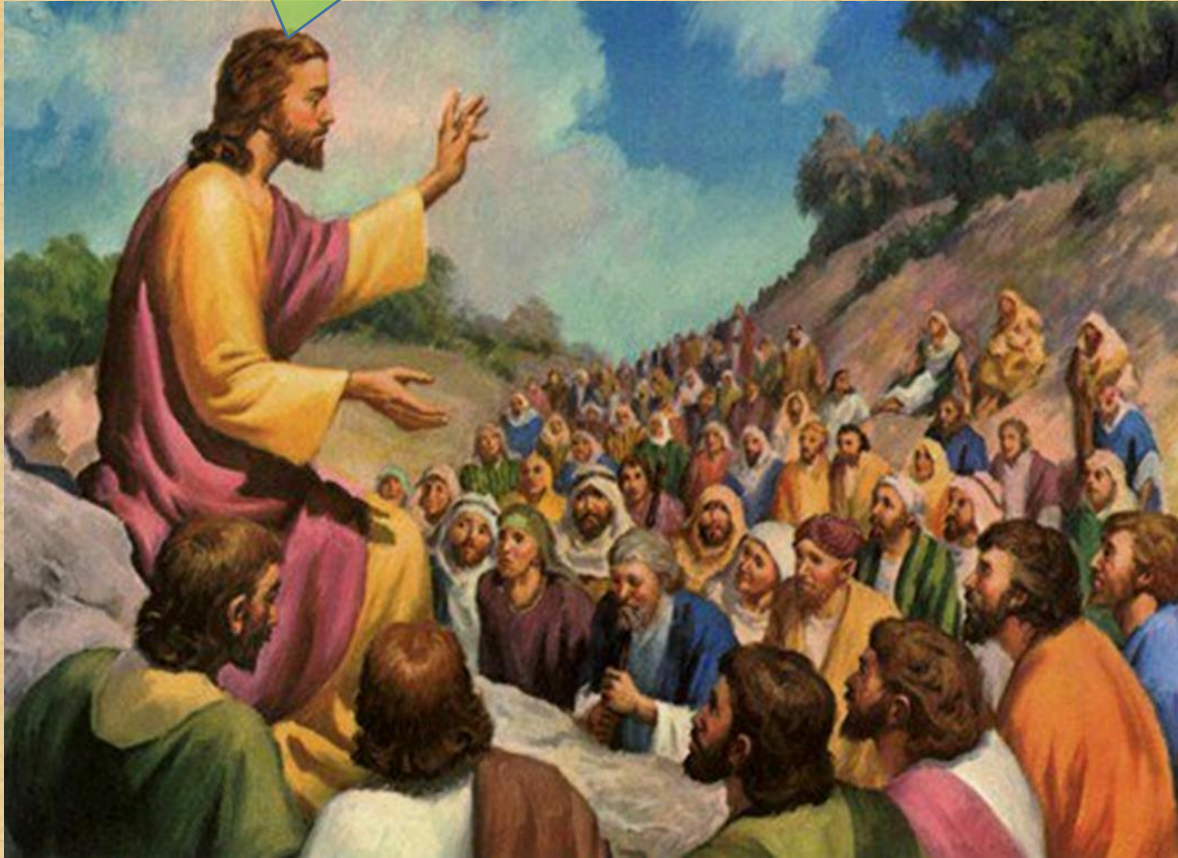
In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying:



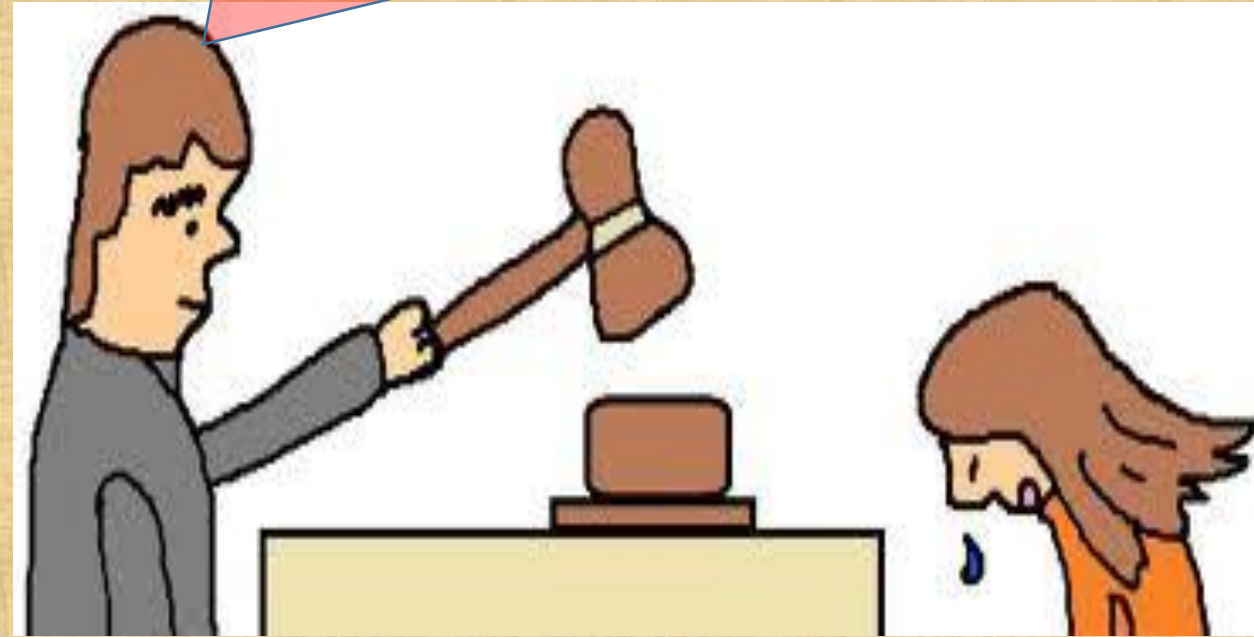
Grant me justice against my opponent.



***For a while he refused; but later
he said to himself:***



***Though I have no fear of God and no
respect for anyone, yet because this
widow keeps bothering me, I will
grant her justice, so that she may
not wear me out by continually
coming.***



Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them.



The woman believed that her words to the judge could make a difference so she didn't give up!

Do you trust God to ask for what you need?

Do you trust in God's love for you?

***And yet, when the Son of Man comes,
will he find faith on earth?***



**God trusts us with the
gift of life and the care
of God's beautiful
creation!**

**Do you act with justice
by doing right for
others and creation?**

**How well do you care
for the gifts God has
given to you? Have you
used your gifts well?**

Bible Search

Read **Luke 18:1-8** in your family Bible-this is the Gospel reading at Mass this Sunday.



Activity

- Write down what you feel and think as you read or hear the story.



- Draw a picture to show the message that you got from today's Gospel!



Consider



Do you have enough faith in God to ask for what you need?
Do you trust God?
Do you have any idea how precious you are to God?

Praying to Jesus



**Pray for the grace to really have faith in God and
in how much God loves YOU!**

