

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1. Welcome and Alleluia

2. Gospel: God speaks to us through what is written in the Bible. Today Jesus is telling us not to be greedy. Listen. (*Now read the gospel.*)

3. Dialogue Homily

- We need things and we have to take care of ourselves, but if we think only of ourselves (*are selfish*) and about how much we can get for ourselves (*are greedy*), that is bad.
- Jesus wants us to learn that we and what we do to others are more important than having a lot of things for ourselves.
- Some boys and girls are never satisfied. They have nice clothes and lots and lots of toys, but they always want more and better things. They don't think of others. They are selfish and greedy.
- How was the man greedy in the story Jesus told? (*See gospel.*)
- God gave us so much. He's not greedy about the fresh air we need, the water, the land, the trees, the fruit, etc. He shares his gifts with us.
- God want us to share, too, to care, to help others and to be kind.
- We all need things. Jesus even teaches us in the Our Father to ask for our daily bread. Open up your hands as we say this part of the prayer, "Give us this day our daily bread" (*what we need*).
- In the next part of the Lord's prayer we ask God to forgive us for the times we were selfish and greedy. "Forgive us our trespasses" (*our wrongdoings*).

4. Intercessions

Now stand; our response today will be: We are sorry, Lord.

- For the times we have been greedy, we are....
- For the times we were selfish, we are
- (*Children's intentions*)

Let us pray:

Give us this day our daily bread (*what we need*)
Forgive us our trespasses (*our wrong doings*)
As we forgive those who trespass against us (*those who do wrong to us*). Amen.

5. Activity

See Activity, page v. Sing the first verse of "This Is My Commandment" (*Hi God 2*).

A reading from the holy gospel according to Luke (12:13-21)

Glory to you, Lord!

Once there was a rich man who had a very good crop. His barns were full and he had no room to store the grain.

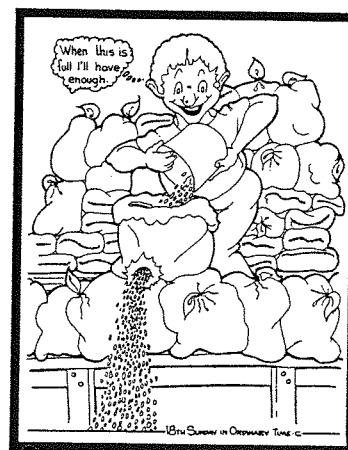
"Oh," he said, "this is what I'll do. I'll pull down my barns and build bigger ones. Then I'll take it easy and have a good time. I've got lots for myself for many years to come."

Soon after the man died. Who will own all the things now?

So don't just pile up things for yourself, but think about making yourself rich in the things God asks of you.

This is from the gospel of the Lord. (Adapted)

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!



When this is full I'll have enough.

