

Eucharistic Homily

Twelfth Lord's Day of Pentecost

August 23, 2020

There are many people today who have been blessed abundantly by God but are embarrassed by God's gracious provision. Many people believe that anyone with wealth has the moral obligation to reject his or her "privilege" and to apologize for God's generosity. This is wrong on so many levels, but the main problem is very simple: ingratitude.

The only way to honor God with the gifts he gives us is to first acknowledging God as the giver of every good gift and to thank him for his blessings. And that's why this Eucharistic Feast—this Thanksgiving meal—is so important. The Lord's Table cultivates a lifestyle of gratitude by teaching us to receive gifts that we cannot earn and do not deserve. Christ Jesus gave his body to be broken and his blood to be poured out for you and for me and for all who cling to him by faith. The first and most important response to this astonishing gift is to simply say, "Thank you."

If you've been baptized into Christ and are seeking to live faithfully and obediently for Him, you are invited to partake of this feast that our gracious God has provided for us. These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

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