



33rd SUNDAY
16th November 2025 – Cycle C



SUNDAY OF THE POOR
"You, Lord, are my hope" (Psalm 71:5)

DO NOT BE AFRAID



SETTING

From silence we gather to listen to the voice of Jesus, who today calls us to look beyond fear and confusion. His words awaken us, encourage us to live with hope and to commit ourselves to a more just, more humane, and ever more fraternal world. Give me peace and the assurance that I walk with you. May this prayer, this moment of encounter with you, renew us from within and inspire us to be a light wherever it is needed

SONG. HE IS MY EVERYTHING - PROVIDENCE

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HRwZ9-nAyFE>

GOSPEL – Luke 21, 5-19

“As some were saying about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and votive offerings, he said, ‘As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another that will not be thrown down.’ They asked him, ‘Teacher, when will this happen? And what will be the sign that all these things are about to take place?’ He said, ‘See that you are not deceived. For many will come in my name, saying, “I am he,” and “The time is near.” Do not follow them. When you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be terrified; for these things must happen first, but the end is not yet.’” Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven. “But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you, handing you over to synagogues and prisons, and bringing you before kings and governors because of my name. This will happen so that you may bear witness. “So, make up your mind not to worry beforehand about how you will defend yourselves. For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers, relatives, and friends, and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by everyone because of me, but not a hair of your head will perish. By your perseverance you will gain your lives

To deeper into the Word today (*Marie-Noëlle THABUT*)

Mal 3, 19-20. Whatever events you face, do not give in to discouragement or doubt.

Psalms 97:5-9. The Lord comes with justice and righteousness. Will his coming be a day of celebration and joy for us?

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12. Waiting for the Lord's coming does not free anyone from the conditions and anxieties of daily life.

Luke 21, 5-19. This discourse is meant to help us overcome the trials of the present. The message, ultimately, is: “Whatever happens... do not be afraid...” It also means: “Do not rely on false values.” It is pointless to look for specifics in Jesus’ words regarding the dates or the nature of the Kingdom. It is about the resurrection of the body. In his response to the Sadducees in today’s Gospel, Jesus doesn’t give specifics; one might say he avoids a direct answer. He is asked: What will happen? What will be the sign that it is going to happen? Jesus doesn’t answer these questions, which are quite precise. He simply says: “Be on your guard and do not be led astray...” There will be persecutions. Jesus describes the catastrophes and concludes by saying: “But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you... You will be hated by everyone because of my name.” The words that follow, we know well: “Get it into your head that you don’t have to worry about your defense. I myself will inspire you with a language and wisdom that your adversaries will not be able to resist or contradict.” “Not a hair of your head will perish,” which means that our whole being, our body and our soul, is in God’s hands. Even after passing through death, we are assured of continuing to live in the life of God. And that, whatever the persecutions, the Word of God will continue its course. As Saint Paul says: “Nothing can separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord” (**Romans 8:38-39**).

Clues for prayer

- What do I rely on? What or who is my strength and helps me persevere?
- I share my experience with Jesus Christ.
- What values do we transmit as a parish, community...?

AMBIENTAL MUSIC.



_Canon in D (Pachelbel's Canon) - Cello & Piano

https://youtu.be/Ptk_1Dc2iPY?si=2iXc7aA6OEn_w1tL

YOU LAID ASIDE YOUR MEJESTY

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Asy9EQSvrZ4>

NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS

Whatever happens, Lord,
may your light never be
extinguished within us.

Though the world is uncertain,
keep our hope firm.

We are seduced by power and
appearances,
but you dwell in the small things,
in the pure gaze,
in the faith that does not boast.

When everything crumbles,
give us roots, not ruins;
give us shelter, not a wall;
a gentle presence, not noise.

We want to follow you, Jesus,
without manuals or certainties,
only with the confidence
that you walk with us.

We do not want empty words,
but healing hands,
shared bread,
gestures that illuminate the
future.

Teach us to persevere,
not to give in to weariness,
to look with tenderness upon
what others consider lost.

When fear screams loudly,
whisper your calm to us:

“Not a hair is lost,
I am with you.”

May faith not be a refuge,
but an impetus to love,
to go out, to serve,
and to build justice.

Make us bold,
capable of saying yes,
even if the night is long,
even if the wind does not die
down.

Whatever happens, Lord,
give us your gaze and your
strength.

We want to believe, to never
stop,
and to always love.

CANTO. NO ME ESCONDERÉ | CRISTÓBAL FONES, SJ

<https://youtu.be/2vAE-F8jj20?si=qPCCX6mC0YkZP1EL>

SOPLO DE DIOS - MAXI LARGHI FEAT. MATEO RODO

<https://youtu.be/8oAFFnkPOvg?si=4KbbfkMvkVrVW4le>

Hermanas de la Caridad de Santa Ana

C/ Madre Ràfols, 13 - 50.004 - ZARAGOZA (España)

www.chcsa.org

