



01 September 2024

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time -B



Introduction:

Purity and impurity arise within the human heart and depends on the condition of the heart. However, our purity does not merely depend on our moral life but most importantly depends on the closeness of our relationship with the Abba Father through Jesus Christ. Today, let us seek to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ through whom we are made pure.

First Reading: Deut 4: 1-2, 6-8
Psalm: Ps 15: 2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5
Second Reading: Jas 1: 17-18, 21b-22, 27
Gospel: Mk 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Prayers of the Faithful

Celebrant:

As we stand as one family in the presence of the Father, who purifies us through the sacrifice of his Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, we now present to Him our humble petitions.

Response: Abba Father, in your love, answer our prayers.

For the Holy Father, the Bishops, Priests and Religious men and women, that they may grow in their encounter and relationship with Jesus Christ. **R/**

For all government officials, that they may honestly work to foster the values of justice, peace and charity. **R/**

For all of us preparing for the Nativity of our dear Mother, that through these pious practices, we may nurture within us the values of our dear mother. **R/**

For Holy Father's Universal Intention, *for the Cry of the Earth*: We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climatic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live. **R/**

For our personal intentions which we now place before the Lord in silence (Pause). **R/**

Celebrant:

We thank you Father for listening to all these prayers we make in faith, through Christ Our Lord. Amen.