



The Catholic Parish of Pittwater

Sacred Heart & Maria Regina. Neighbourhoods of Grace, entrusted to the care of the Salvatorians.

Prayer for the Intercession of Blessed Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan

Lord Jesus Christ,
Saviour of the world,
You called Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan to be Your apostle, to make God known and loved by all people everywhere, using all the means Your love inspires. You filled him with universal apostolic zeal, with a deep trust in God's loving providence, with a profound spirit of prayer, with a sincere devotion to Mary, Mother of the Saviour and with the courage to follow You, even into the mystery of the Cross. Grant also to me the grace to proclaim the Gospel in this spirit and make an effective apostle in today's world. Through the intercession of Blessed Francis Jordan, I pray to you. I make this prayer through You, my Saviour, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.



Thoughts of Blessed Francis Jordan

Trust in the Lord and do not lose heart! He can do all.

A warm welcome to all our parishioners and visitors who are celebrating the Eucharist with us at Pittwater Parish - Sacred Heart Church and Maria Regina Church

SAFEGUARDING

We, the people of the Catholic Diocese of Broken Bay and the Catholic Parish of Pittwater are committed to fostering communities of safety and care for all people, especially for children and others in the community who are vulnerable. Our commitment is underscored by our faith in Jesus Christ.



POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

For The Pastoral Care of the Sick

Let us pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick grant the Lord's strength to those who receive it and to their loved ones, and that it may become for everyone an ever more visible sign of compassion and hope.

MASS TIMES

SACRED HEART CHURCH

1 Keenan Street, Mona Vale

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 9.30am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, Reconciliation and Benediction from 8:30 am, followed by Mass

Wednesday 9.30am

Thursday 7pm
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, Reconciliation and Benediction from

7.30pm to 9pm

Friday 9.30am

First Friday of the Month, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration, Reconciliation and Benediction from 9.30am, followed by Mass with Anointing of the Sick at 10.30am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5.00pm
Sunday 8.00am • 10.00am • 6.00pm (SOUL)

RECONCILIATION

4.00pm to 4.30pm Saturday

Baptism

4th Sunday - 11.30am

MARIA REGINA CHURCH

7 Central Road, Avalon

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 8am

Wednesday 8am

Thursday 10am

9am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Adoration and Benediction at 9.45am
Friday 8am

Mass with Anointing of the Sick - First Friday of the Month at 8am

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

Before Vigil Mass on Saturday

BAPTISM

3rd Sunday - 11.00am

We Pray for

Deceased Anniversary
John Hagar
Maria Teresa Pisto

May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Recently Deceased
Sandra Regina
Rodrigues Do O

Prayer for the Sick

Anna Śmigowska
Santo

Brian Gregan

Marcia Bailey

Bec Burroughs

Margaret De Landre

Maureen Larios

Denise Wagner

Marco Sangiacamo

Elaine Boyes

Pauline Chipman

Brian Cranch

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Leonor

Sofia

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Mother Pauline

Carlos Herinque

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BOOK REVIEW

Entering the Silence
The Journal of
Thomas Merton
by Thomas Merton, Jonathan
Montaldo (Editor)



It is about Merton becoming a Monk and writer in Journals of his journey.

WAIT
ON THE LORD
BE OF GOOD
COURAGE
AND HE SHALL
STRENGTHEN
YOUR HEART

PSALM 27:14

Liturgy for the Week

15/07 Monday, St Bonaventure
Is 1:10-17; Mt 10:34 - 11:1

16/07 Tuesday, Ordinary Time 15
Is 7: 1-9; Mt 11:20-24

17/07 Wednesday, Ordinary Time 15
Is 10:5-7, 13-16; Mt 11:25-27

18/07 Thursday, Ordinary Time 15
Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19;
Mt 11:28-30

19/07 Friday, Ordinary Time 15
Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Mt 12:1-8

20/07 Saturday, Ordinary Time 15
Micah 2:1-5; Mt 12:14-21

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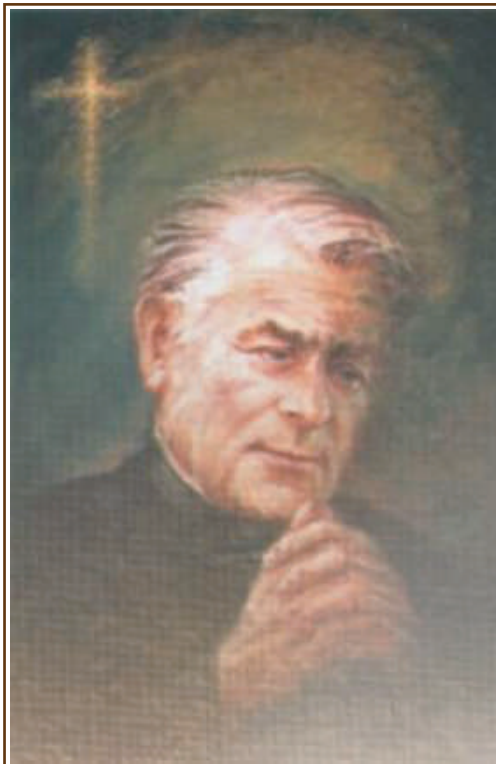
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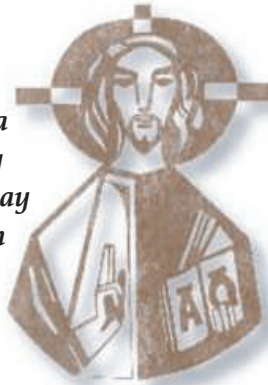
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events through this new page.

Unfortunately due to some technical issues, we were unable to keep our
old Facebook page *The Catholic Parish of Pittwater*



We are celebrating the
Feast Day of
Blessed Francis Mary
of the Cross Jordan
on Sunday, 21st of July

There will be a
Special Litany
after all Sunday
Masses in both
Churches.



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SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME UPDATE

**THE SACRAMENT
OF THE
FIRST HOLY EUCHARIST**
will take place as follows:

MARIA REGINA CHURCH, AVALON
Saturday, 14 September
at 6.00 pm
Sunday, 15 September
at 9.00 am

SACRED HEART CHURCH, MONA VALE
Saturday, 21 September
at 5.00 pm
Sunday, 22 September
at 10.00 am & 12 noon

*Children in Year 4 and above are
eligible to receive this sacrament if they have
done their First Reconciliation.*

*Enrolments are NOT OPEN.
For more information about the
requirements and how to enrol your child, you MUST attend
ONE of the following*

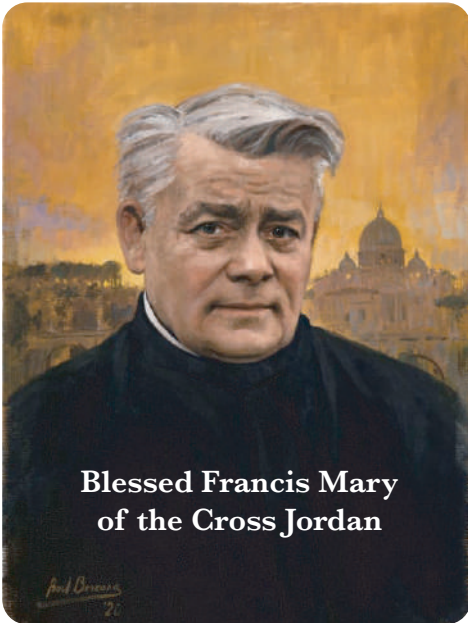
PARENT INFORMATION & COMMITMENT sessions:
(children do not need to attend)

Thursday, 25 July - MARIA REGINA CHURCH, Avalon
at 7.30 pm
Tuesday, 30 July - SACRED HEART CHURCH, Mona Vale
at 7.30 pm



Blessed Francis Jordan SDS

Founder of the Society of the Divine Saviour and
the Sisters of the Divine Saviour.



Blessed Francis Mary
of the Cross Jordan

John Baptist Jordan was born on 16th June 1848 into a poor family in the village of Gurtweil, in the southwest of Germany. He was the second child of Lawrence and Notburga Jordan, who took him to be baptised the day after his birth with the name of John Baptist. His early life was uneventful, but even as a child he had to work hard and do his share to support the family, because his father had been invalided due to an accident.

At his first communion a strange incident occurred. It seemed to him that a dove fluttered over his head, but since no-one else saw it he kept the vision to himself. But from that time he committed himself to God and felt that he had a vocation to the priesthood. He was a talented and lively boy and well liked in the village. Because of the poverty of the family he could not continue at school. Instead he learned the trade of painter and decorator and travelled widely for several years practising his new profession. In this way he saw the great spiritual and material needs of the people.

Jordan was eventually able to begin his journey to the priesthood by taking lessons in Latin from a friendly priest. He then went to the Gymnasium in Constance for two years to complete his basic education. It was not easy for him to sit in the class with much younger boys, but by dint of hard work he graduated with good marks, particularly in languages. From there he went to the Diocesan Seminary of St Peter in Friburg (Germany), where he was ordained in 1878 at the age of thirty. Already in the Seminary he showed great interest in the Missions and in the apostolate of the press, and began to have ideas about starting a work that would unite Catholic forces in the spread and defence of the faith.

Rome

Due to the Kulturkampf—the opposition of the Prussian State to the Catholic Church—he was unable to exercise his ministry in his home Diocese and his Bishop sent him to Rome to study oriental languages. He went to live at the Campo Santo Teutonico right next to St Peter's Basilica, where he soon became known as The Chinaman because of his interest in oriental languages. This extraordinary gift for languages—he had a working knowledge of more than forty languages—meant that in 1880 he was given the opportunity by the Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith to travel on their behalf to the Middle East.

On this tour of Egypt and Palestine Jordan took the opportunity to discuss his plans with many eminent Churchmen; their interest in his ideas gave him great encouragement. While climbing Mount Lebanon he had a profound spiritual experience. The words of John 17:3 ran through his mind "Eternal life is this, to know you, the one true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent." He came down from the mountain resolved to put his plans into practice.

On his return from the Middle East he began to search for collaborators. By this time he had moved to the house of S. Brigitta in Piazza Farnese where he established a printing press and started printing the monthly magazine *Der Missionär*.

Foundation of the Salvatorians

On the 8th December 1881 in the Chapel of St Brigida in Rome, Father Jordan and two other priests took private vows as members of the Apostolic Teaching Society. It is this date which is kept as the foundation day of the Salvatorians.

Father Jordan would have achieved little if he had depended solely on his own abilities. Those who followed him did so because they realised that he was a man of God. They knew him to have deep faith and trust in God. Over and over again his plans had to be modified in the face of circumstances and the demands of the Church—Jordan bowed to these changes as expressions of the will of God.

Spiritual Diary

He kept a Spiritual Diary in which he poured out his deepest thoughts and prayers. This Spiritual Diary is a remarkable document, and it remains a source of inspiration to his spiritual sons and daughters. Father Jordan was very much devoted to the See of Peter and went each day to St Peter's Basilica to pray at the tomb of the Apostle. It was often said, 'If you want to see a Saint, go to St Peter's and you will see Father Jordan at prayer.'

Last Days

Over the years Jordan's health was gradually undermined. Some of the reasons for this were: the stresses and strains of turning his ideas into a concrete reality; the daily worries involved in running a house of over a hundred priests, brothers and scholastics; the work of establishing the Society in many different countries in a short space of time, and the attacks he suffered in a press campaign against him in 1906. So, in 1915 when Italy entered the First World War and the Generalate moved to Switzerland, Jordan stood down as Superior General and Father Pancratius Pfeiffer took his place. Father Jordan's health took a further turn for the worse and he died in the care of the Daughters of Charity in Tavers, Switzerland on 8th September 1918. His remains are interred in a special chapel in the general headquarters of the Society of the Divine Saviour in Rome.

On the way to Holiness

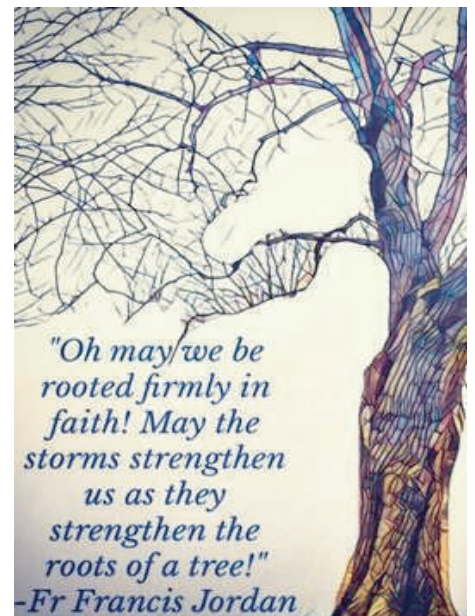
We see in Father Francis Jordan a man of great faith and depth of character. Early in his life he committed himself to the Lord, and to the realisation of the special task he knew he had been given. His vision, determination and faith attracted many people to follow him and join him in trying to win the world for the Saviour. His ideas have not lost their relevance with the passing of time. If anything, his idea of working closely with groups of apostolically minded laity is more relevant than ever.

Beatification

The biggest event in the Salvatorian history from the time of our foundation was the beatification of our Founder, Fr. Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan on 15th May 2021.

It is our greatest joy to see that the vision and life of our Founder was approved by the Church.

Article from sds.org.au



Believe in the message of God

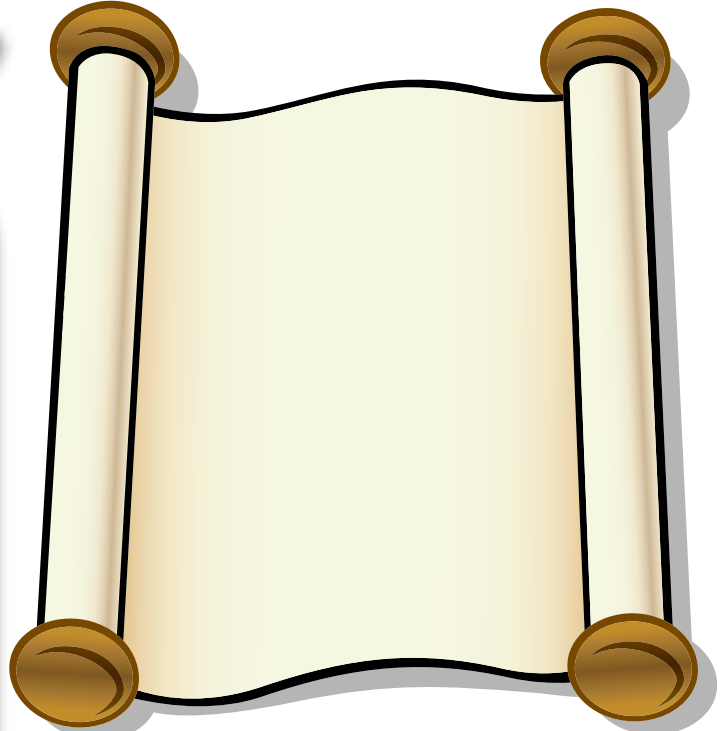


15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Jesus sent the disciples out two by two. If this happened to you, who would you take as your partner? Write their name and why you would take them with you and draw their picture.

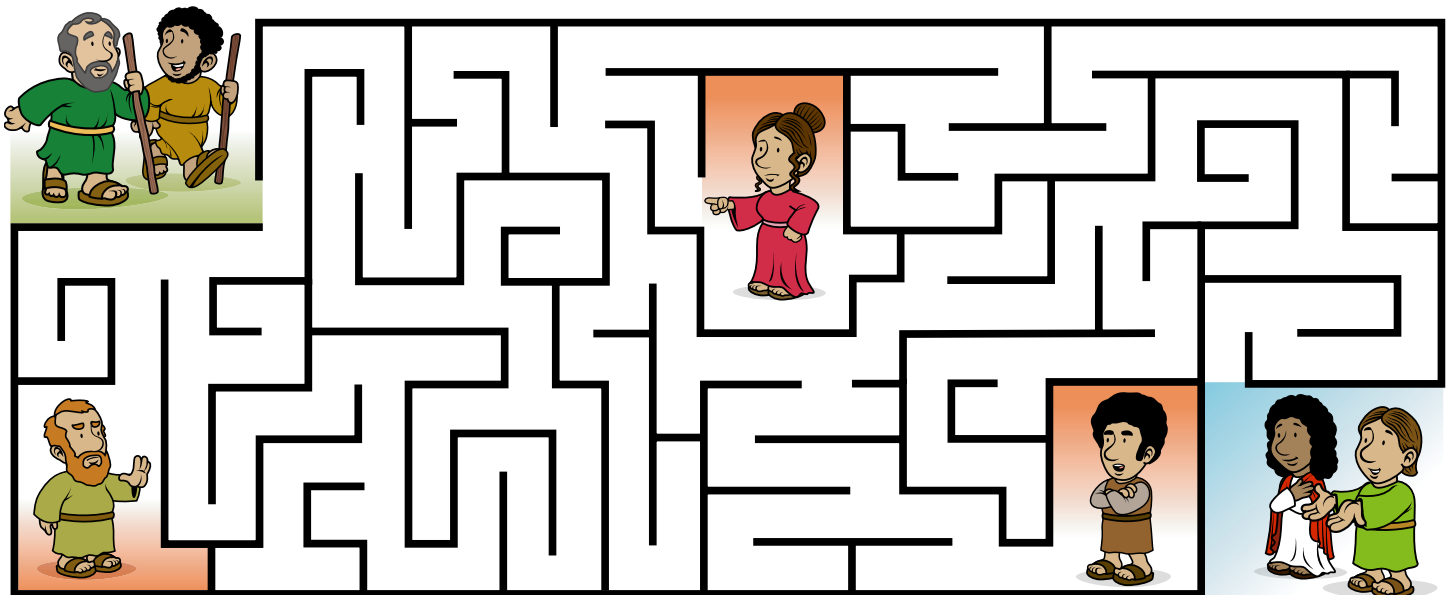


I would take _____ with me
because _____



If Jesus sent you out to proclaim his Good News, what would you tell people? Write or draw your answer in the scroll above.

Peter and John are on their way to spread God's message to others. Help them find their way through the maze where they will find people who will welcome them and listen to their message. Keep an eye out for those who look unwilling to listen!



The *Living* Word

Entrance Antiphon

Psalm 16:15

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

First Reading

Amos 7:12-15

A reading from the prophet Amos

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **(R.)**

Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **(R.)**

The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **(R.)**

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning

to act upon when the times had run their course to the end:

that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came.

Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Luke 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 6:7-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

The Gospel of the Lord

Communion Antiphon

Psalm 83:4-5

The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

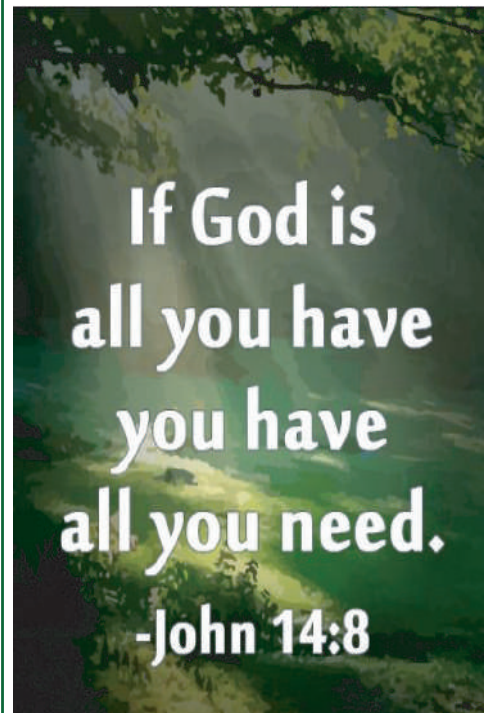
REFLECTION

by Diane Bergant

God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability. The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

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"Don't forget to do good and to share what you have because God is pleased with these kinds of sacrifices."

HEBREWS 13:16



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- Hebrews 11:6 -



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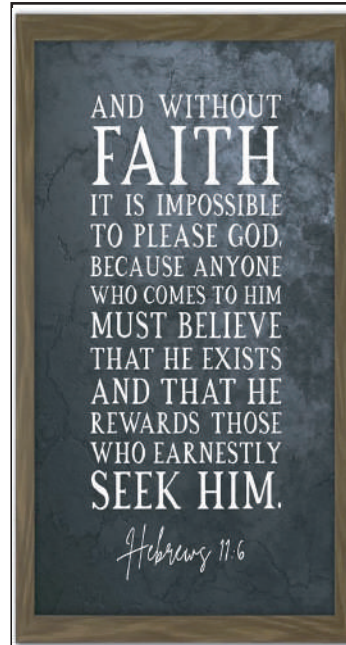
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