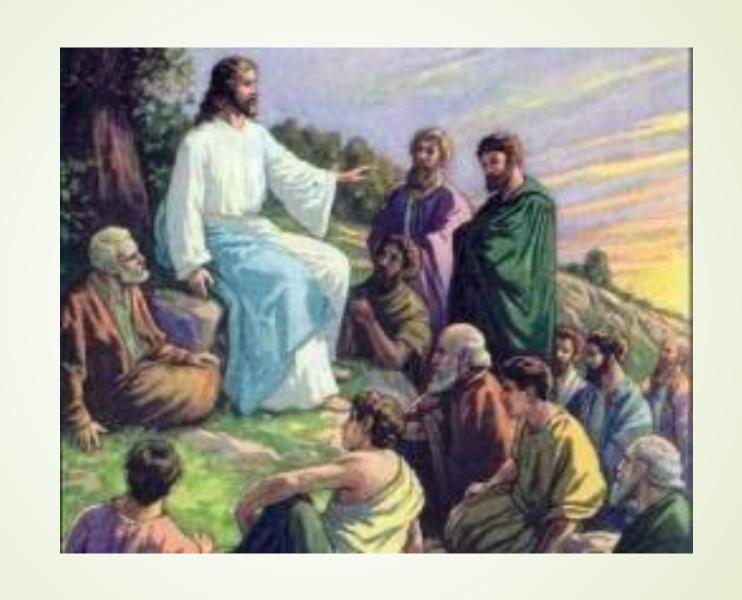
My question to you from last week...

What do I have to leave in order to follow Jesus?

6th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Monday 7th February 2022



Luke 6: 17, 20-26

"How happy are you who are poor.

Alas for you who are rich."

Who are the people who Jesus describes as blessed and happy?

...the poor, the hungry, the sad and those who are despised by others.

Who does Jesus warn?

...the rich, the people who have plenty to eat, those who laugh, and those who are revered.

Racial Justice Sunday

This coming Sunday is Racial Justice Sunday. The day highlights the need to be fair and kind to all people, making sure everyone treats each person equally and with dignity; after all, we are all created in God's image and He loves us all equally.

...Racial Justice Sunday

Although we celebrate the day on Sunday, we need to understand that this is not just supposed to happen on that one day. We have to stand up for others who are treated unfairly **everyday** so that together we can make a better world for us all.

When our eyes do not see the gravity of racial injustice,

Shake us from our slumber and open our eyes, O Lord.

When out of fear we are frozen into inaction,

Give us a spirit of bravery, O Lord.

When we try our best but say the wrong things,

Give us a spirit of humility, O Lord.

When the chaos of this dies down,

Give us a lasting spirit of solidarity, O Lord.

When it becomes easier to point fingers outward,

Help us to examine our own hearts, O Lord.

God of truth, in your wisdom, Enlighten Us.

God of love, in your mercy, Forgive Us.

God of hope in your kindness, Heal Us.

Creator of All People, in your generosity, Guide Us.

Racism breaks your heart,

break our hearts for what breaks yours, O Lord.

I will leave you with a question for next week...

Are you blessed and happy?



Loving Father,
We place our worries in your hands.
We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again.

Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us.

Amen