

Blessings in disguise!

Let us listen to Jesus speak with us...

"How happy are the POOR IN SPIRIT:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven!

Happy the GENTLE:
they shall have the earth for their
heritage.

Happy those who MOURN:
they shall be comforted.

Happy those who HUNGER AND THIRST FOR WHAT
IS RIGHT:
they shall be satisfied.

Happy the MERCIFUL:
they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the PURE OF HEART:
they shall see God.

Happy the PEACEMAKERS:
they shall be called sons and
daughters of God.

Happy those who are PERSECUTED IN THE CAUSE
OF RIGHT:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Jesus continues...

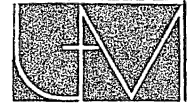
"Happy are you when people abuse you and
persecute you and speak all kinds of ill or
calumny against you on my account. Rejoice
and be glad, for your reward will be great
in heaven."

These are called beatitudes! ...blessings!
I have heard them before but... What is my
gut reaction to them? What price must I pay
to believe in the person Jesus? Am I seeing
my faith as more the acceptance of the
person Jesus and what that may cost and less
a body of rules to follow?

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Fourth Sunday
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Lord, keep me from shame,
for I have called to you.

POOR IN SPIRIT + SORROWING
+ MEEK + HUNGRY FOR HOLINESS
+ MERCIFUL + PURE OF HEART
+ PEACEMAKERS + PERSECUTED +

BLEST ARE THEY

MATTHEW 5:1-12 BY JOSEPH ROY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1987

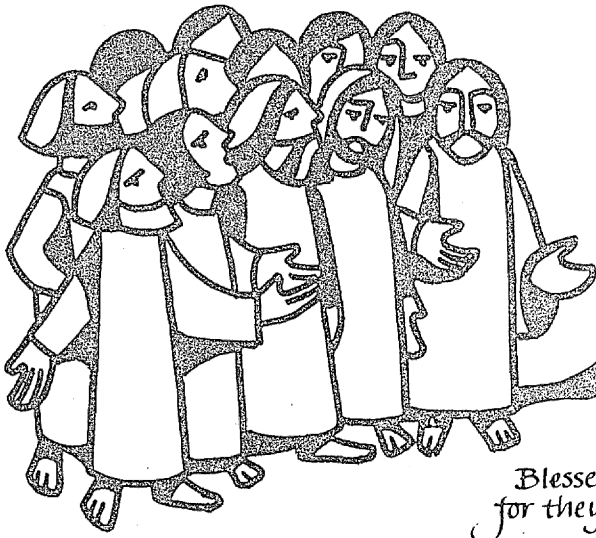
peace makers!

persecuted

hunger & thirst

mourn

gentle!



pure of heart!

poor in spirit

calumny!

Blessed are the peace makers,
for they shall be called sons of God

Peacemakers!who me? ...yes!

Jesus teaches us to be peace makers! Am I believer? Do I accept Jesus what he taught or is teaching me, us? Then I accept the HIS challenge to be a PEACEMAKER. But do I consider 'peacemaking' a part of daily Christian life?

Am I a peacemaker?

Our Church has proclaimed peacemaking and seeking justice as constitutive elements of being Catholic, a sure sign or characteristic of a believer. The military often refer to themselves as peacekeepers. Our university has recently established a PEACE INSTITUTE funded through Mrs. Krock's MacDonald's Foundation. Christianity over the centuries has struggled with this teaching of Jesus. See the current film THE MISSION for a notable historical example. After 2000 years we are still questioning how serious Jesus was. Often our own Christian family struggle with peacemaking and sometimes we give up on keeping or establishing the peace we could have.

PEACEMAKING BEGINS WITH LITTLE OLD ME!

LORD JESUS,

make me an instrument
of your PEACE

where there is hatred,
Let me sow LOVE

where there is injury,

PARDON

Where there is doubt,

FAITH

where there is despair,

HOPE

where there is darkness,

LIGHT

and where there is sadness,

JOY

O DIVINE MASTER,

grant that I may not so much
seek to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand:
to be loved as to love: for it is in
giving that we receive: it is in
pardoning that we are pardoned:
and it is in dying that we are born
to eternal life.

CLIP A PRAYER

Am I at PEACE WITH MYSELF, a surely loveable person whom God continues to love and sustain even when I am just the opposite of peaceful

Do I consciously try to sustain peaceful relations with those close to me, my family, my roommate(s), my neighbors, my profs, my students by giving them the benefit of the doubt when they irritate, cross, challenge or are angry with me?

Do I ever try to make peace when others are angry or at odds with me or others or friends or parents? ...or do I become haughty and refuse to give the other a second chance?

Am I orienting my career to being influential in bringing peace to commerce, to politics, to society, to the world? ... or am I merely blindly ambitious?

The Christian stands tall in the world as an obvious peacemaker! How do I stand? Am I willing to change my stand to respond to Jesus' challenge to be a peacemaker?

An obscure example of a modern peacemaker is Senator Mark Hatfield who lives his faith in the person Jesus as a peacemaker in his role as a U.S. Senator. He makes a difference in the Senate. Do I, will I make a difference in my life?

BEST ARE
THE
PEACEMAKERS

1987 SUMMER SERVICE PROJECTS: APPLICATIONS
ARE DUE MONDAY FEB 1. See or Call Sue
Cunningham 239-7867.

THIS WEEK : CATHOLIC FAITH PROGRAM
SUNDAY & TUESDAY FEB 1 & 3 @ 7 pm

Regina Coll speaks on "What Catholics
should know about CHURCH?"

Body And Soul

Student Nurse Susan Leckrone searched the chart for the 100th time. What else could she do? What else was she looking for? She had taken Kelly's vital signs again and both the temperature and blood pressure were too high.

The doctors had just left. They had quietly explained to Kelly that although she was a high risk patient, the infection near her metal hip joint could only be arrested through surgery.

Now, Kelly lay still and expressionless. Staring at the ceiling. Susan entered the latest readings on the medical chart.

Susan knew she was doing everything a professional nurse could do for her patient. But why didn't it seem enough?

For the last 23 months, St. Vincent's Hospital and Medical Center Nursing School had put Susan through nearly 2000 hours of intense classroom and clinical instruction. She knew she had been well-educated.

The hospital-based school had given her the opportunity

to discuss her nursing theories in the classroom. And then to apply them clinically under watchful supervision.

Susan had come to St. Vincent's for its holistic approach to medicine. "While I'm not a Catholic, faith is the most important element in my life, and I wanted to be educated and associated with professionals who addressed the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of every patient."

But right now, Susan felt helpless. Kelly looked frightened. Susan feared that any comment might be the wrong comment.

While replacing the medical chart on the hook on the end of the bed, Susan noticed a small crumpled book clutched in Kelly's hand.

The student nurse gently loosened Kelly's grip, picked up the book and softly began to read aloud. "The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want..."

As she was wheeled out for surgery, Kelly squeezed Susan's hand and smiled gratefully. "You are heaven sent."

The art of medicine, the love of humanity.

UNIVERSITY MINISTRY - SACRED HEART CHURCH

Collection Report
July - December, 1986

I. Special Collections -----\$12,580.62

El Salvadorian Relief - dorms	\$ 539.19
- S.H.C.	3,000.00
Missions Sunday	6,455.25
St. Vincent De Paul(Poor Box)	1,855.70
World Hunger Coalition(Thanks-giving Baskets) - dorms	530.48
- S.H.C.	200.00
Disbursement -----	\$12,580.62

II. Sunday Collections -----\$26,328.26

Disbursements:	
Andre House	\$1,200.00
Bread for the World	200.00
Catholic Social Services	500.00
Catholic Workers(South Bend)	200.00
Catholic Workers(New York)	200.00
Clay Social Services	300.00
Covenant House	200.00
Family Health Center	750.00
Goodwill Industries	500.00
H.C. Justice and Peace Center	3,000.00
H.C. Mission Center	3,000.00
Hope Rescue Mission	500.00
Hospice	500.00
Logan Center	200.00
Menno-Hof(Mennonite & Amish)	350.00
Our Lady of the Wayside(New York)	500.00
St. Augustine's Soup Kitchen	500.00
St. Stephen's Parish	750.00
St. Vincent De Paul	2,500.00
Shelter for the Homeless	500.00
The Christophers	200.00
United Religious Community	600.00
Volunteer Services(Cen. for Soc. Concerns)	2,500.00
Women's Care Center	250.00
	<u>\$19,900.00</u>

Balance -----\$6,428.26