

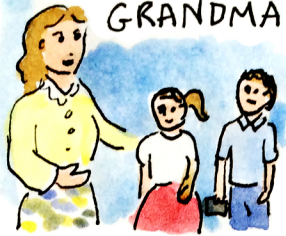
Priorities

In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that if we love anyone more than we love Him we are not worthy of Him. What He means is that we need to keep God first in our lives. The two great commandments He gave us are 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and mind and strength' and 'Love your neighbour as yourself.'



How can we keep God first in our lives? We can start by talking to Him as soon as we start our day. We can tell Him we love Him and offer our day to Him! We also keep God first by following His laws-making sure we go to Mass at least every Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation, and going to Confession when we have a serious sin.

AFTER MASS WE CAN VISIT GRANDMA.



I'D LIKE TO PLAY BUT I HAVE TO LOOK AFTER MY BABY BROTHER.

The next most important thing is loving others. God wants us to love and care for the people He has put into our lives. First we must care for our family that He has given us and then our friends and neighbours.



What is the most important thing for you to do today? How can you put God first every day this week?

Answers to Crossword: ACROSS: 4 little, 5 prophet, 6 to, 8 reward, 10 say, 11 cup, 12 cross, 14 me, 16 loves, 17 mother, DOWN: 1 righteous, 2 sent, 3 worthy, 7 lose, 9 receive, 13 sake 15 him

The Kids' Bulletin

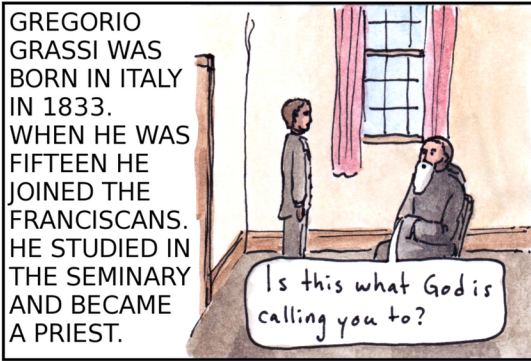
13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 2nd, 2023



In today's Gospel reading Jesus says that if you give one of these to a little one because they are His disciple you will be rewarded. What is it? Connect the dots to find out!

SAINT GREGORIO GRASSI

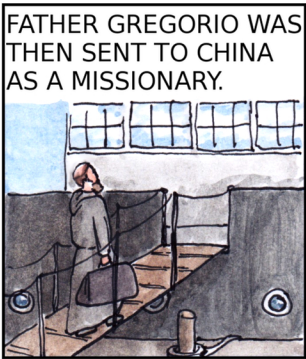
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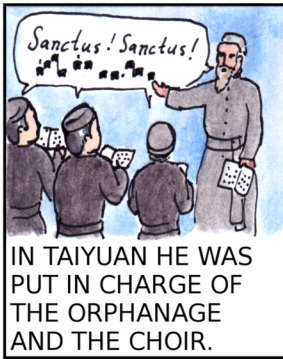
GREGORIO GRASSI WAS BORN IN ITALY IN 1833. WHEN HE WAS FIFTEEN HE JOINED THE FRANCISCANS. HE STUDIED IN THE SEMINARY AND BECAME A PRIEST.



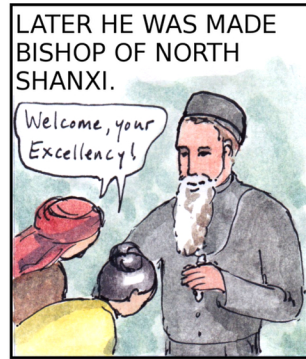
AFTER HE WAS ORDAINED HE WAS SENT TO ROME FOR TRAINING.



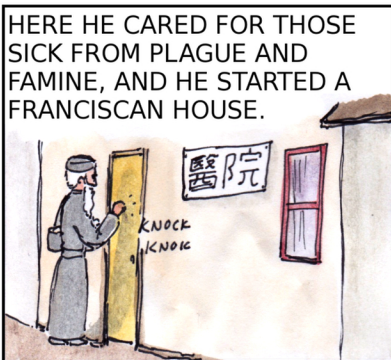
FATHER GREGORIO WAS THEN SENT TO CHINA AS A MISSIONARY.



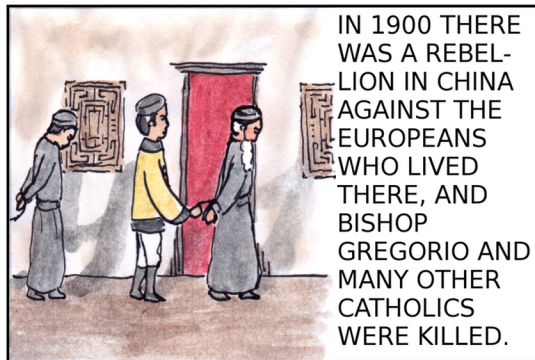
IN TAIYUAN HE WAS PUT IN CHARGE OF THE ORPHANAGE AND THE CHOIR.



LATER HE WAS MADE BISHOP OF NORTH SHANXI.



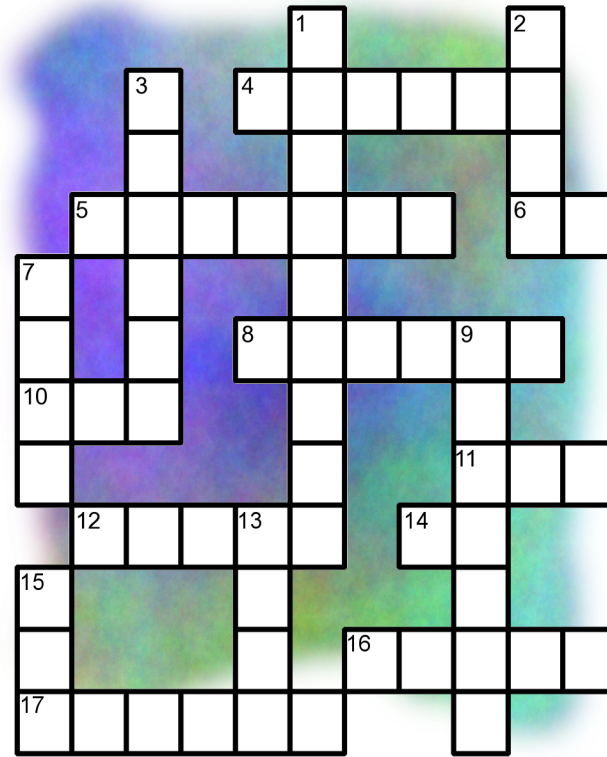
HERE HE CARED FOR THOSE SICK FROM PLAGUE AND FAMINE, AND HE STARTED A FRANCISCAN HOUSE.



IN 1900 THERE WAS A REBELLION IN CHINA AGAINST THE EUROPEANS WHO LIVED THERE, AND BISHOP GREGORIO AND MANY OTHER CATHOLICS WERE KILLED.

WHEN THE REBELLION STARTED BISHOP GREGORIO WAS WARNED TO LEAVE CHINA, BUT HE HAD LONG DESIRED TO DIE AS A MARTYR FOR CHRIST. HE CHOSE TO KEEP HELPING THE POOR AND SICK AND TO GIVE HIS LIFE FOR JESUS AND HIS CHURCH. WOULD YOU BE BRAVE ENOUGH TO DO THAT?

A Gospel Crossword



Fill in the missing words in today's Gospel reading to find the answers to this crossword!

A=Across
D=Down

He who loves father or _____ (17A)
more than me is not worthy of me; and he who _____ (16A)
son or daughter

more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his _____ (12A) and follow me is not _____ (3D) of me. He who finds his life will _____ (7D) it, and he who loses his life for my _____ (13D) will find it. "He who receives you receives _____ (14A), and he who receives me receives _____ (15D) who _____ (2D) me. He who receives a prophet because he is a _____ (5A) shall _____ (9D) a prophet's reward, and he who receives a _____ (1D) man because he is a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's _____ (8A). And whoever gives _____ (6A) one of these _____ (4A) ones even a _____ (11A) of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I _____ (10A) to you, he shall not lose his reward."