

Today in our Eucharistic Liturgical Celebration, we celebrate the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today's glimpse of my Heart connects an insight that Pope Francis shared with us recently when said that "If we want to encounter and help one another", we have to dialogue! In our First Reading, (Jerimiah 31: 7-9), God dialogues with the remnant of Israel who are scattered all over the world, telling them when they return the following will happen; he will include the blind and the lame, mothers with child in the good news that He will share with them; they departed broken, sad, hopeless, rejected, downtrodden, now as He leads and guides them on their return, He will console them; giving them the opportunity to journey on level road without stumbling. As our father, this is the same kind of relationship He provides as He encounters and helps us, giving us **HIS FATHERLY LOVE AND COMPASSION!** Sometimes, we may fail to realize God's goodness in times of difficulties, our responsorial psalm, (Ps 126: 1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6) reminds us," the Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy"

In today's gospel we have an example of an individual, Timaeus, begging, hearing it was Jesus of Nazareth passing by cried out, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me". Many in the crowd tried to quiet him, because to them he was an outcast, a marginalized individual. We do that with people who we think are not educated, poor, and handicapped and not equip like us to articulate plainly what they need to communicate correctly, precisely and clearly. Jesus saw their indignation; he stopped and told them, "Call him"! Then those in the crowd called him, (Timaeus) and said take courage, "Jesus is calling you"! According the St. Mark, Timaeus, in his excitement, he threw his cloak aside the road, sprang up and went to Jesus. In their face to face encounter, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" (Pope Francis, "if we want to encounter and help one another, we have to dialogue")! **TIMAEUS REPLIES "MASTER I WANT TO SEE"! JESUS TO HIM, "GO YOUR WAY; YOUR FAITH HAS SAVED YOU"!**

Like Timaeus, all of us have blind spots. In our moments of contemplation what blind spot seems to be the most challenging at this moment in our present living situation, to name a few; our political situation (local or national), educational, religious, employment, communal, and personal is the blind spot, like Timaeus we need to remove so that our faith can point and direct us to light which lights up the road that we should travel! Robert Frost in his famous poem, "The Road Not Take". In the final stanza of his award winning poem he says the following:

**I shall be telling you this with a sigh,
Some where ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and
I took the road less traveled by
And that has made all the difference.**

As Jesus removed Timeaus's biological blind spot, let us continue to remove our Spiritual blind spots because they block our spiritual growth. To grow spiritually, Jesus told St. Thomas follow me. Thomas said we do not know where you are going, how can we know the way? Jesus told him, **"I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE", THIS IS THE FOUNDATION OF OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE.**

