

SUNDAY

GOSPEL

REFLECTIONS

Sunday, October 12, 2025 | Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time | [Luke 17:11-19](#)

Friends, today's Gospel recounts the Lord's healing of ten lepers, only one of whom comes back to give thanks. Leprosy frightened people in ancient times, just as contagious and mysterious diseases frighten people today. But more than this, leprosy rendered someone unclean and therefore incapable of engaging in the act of worship. It is not accidental that the person responsible for examining the patient in ancient Israel was the priest. The priest's job was to monitor the whole process of Israelite worship, very much including who could and couldn't participate in the temple.

What is so important about worship? To worship is to order the whole of one's life toward the living God, and in doing so, one becomes interiorly and exteriorly rightly ordered. To worship is to signal to oneself what one's life is finally about. Worship is not something that God needs, but it is very much something that we need.

Bishop Robert Barron



Explore the goodness, truth, and beauty of the Faith



Faith & Family

Faith in the Everyday

It's always in the practice of loving that we can get better and better. **Here are a few simple ways you and your family can practice putting your love in action this month.**

Little habits for little prayers

Building prayer into our daily lives as a family is a great way to live out our faith in the little moments of life. You might have the wonderful habit of bedtime and prayers before meals, is there another small habit you can build to add more prayer to your family's life?

Habits seem to 'stick' better when they are anchored to something - like a meal, time of day, place, or event. Below are a few other examples of 'little reminders' we can use to stop and pray. Kids especially love ones that you have to 'be on the lookout for'. It connects the world around them with prayer.

Little reminders for short little prayers:

- When you hear an ambulance or sirens
- When you see your favorite animal or plant
- When driving by a church or hospital
- When you see a first responder, healthcare worker, or military personnel
- When you zip or unzip your backpack

Discuss as a family: What little reminder could you use to create a new prayer habit?



GOD HEARS ALL OF OUR PRAYERS