



# Friends of Jesus and Mary

## Cycle C - VI Sunday in Ordinary Time

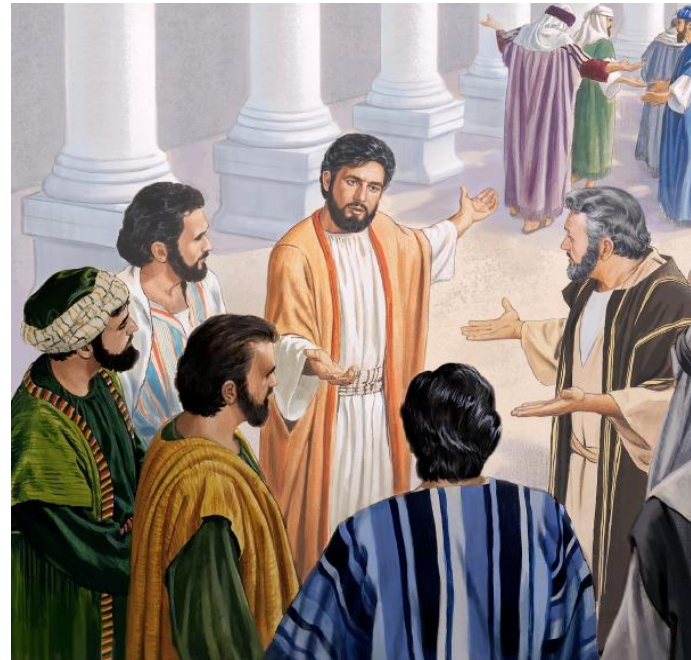
*Jeremiah 17, 5-8; Psalm 1; 1Corinthians 15, 12.16-20; Luke 6, 17.20-26*

### The Beatitudes

Jesus came down with the twelve and stood on a stretch of level ground with a great crowd of his disciples and a large number of the people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon. And raising his eyes toward his disciples he said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied. Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice and leap for joy on that day! Behold, your reward will be great in heaven. For their ancestors treated the prophets in the same way. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are filled now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who laugh now, for you will grieve and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for their ancestors treated the false prophets in this way."

### Reflection

**Jesus says to His disciples: "Blessed are you who are poor," Why are the apostle's poor?** (They left their work and their families to follow Jesus. Jesus then explains why they have made a good decision to leave everything and follow Him: "for the kingdom of God is yours".) **Where is the kingdom of God?** (In the hearts of those who love and follow Jesus the King.) Jesus continues: "Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied." **What does Jesus mean?** (Those who are hungry for God, like Jesus' followers, will be satisfied because God will fill them with love and joy.) **Jesus says: "Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh."** (Sometimes we have sufferings in our lives, but Jesus helps us carry them making them lighter; and in the end He takes us to Eternal Life where there is only happiness.) **Jesus continues: "Blessed are you when people hate you...on account of the Son of Man."** **Why do some people hate the followers of Jesus?** (The followers of Jesus, by their good behavior, remind them that they are doing wrong, but they do not want to change.) **Jesus wants to teach the apostles that it is not always easy to be a follower of Jesus, but He promises to help them and to give them happiness that never ends in the Kingdom of God. On the other hand, those that refuse to follow Jesus, will be poor, hungry, and sad for all eternity.**



**Activity**

### Activity

On the following page make the Beatitudes banner by following the instructions.

### Prayer

Lord, Jesus, place the desire of Your Kingdom in my heart so I may follow you always, in good and in difficult times. Do not allow that thing of this world separate me from you. Amen

**Song:** I Have Decided, CJ and Friends, (Ctrl Click) [https://youtu.be/G\\_fZfiuONi0](https://youtu.be/G_fZfiuONi0)

**PPT:** <https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1LLpSgsy1YOSBNWhvS-x8r148NIqVdSzT/edit?usp=sharing&oid=115268475267556305384&rtop=true&sd=true>



**THE BEATITUDES, Luke 6, 17. 20-26**

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Joy	Hungry
Poor	Insult
Weeping	



Rejoice and leap for  
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heaven.

**Instructions:** Fill in the blanks with the words in the box on the left. Color and cut the flags. Punch holes in the small circles. Link the flags together by threading the ribbon in and out of the holes. Hang it up.