

Genesis 18:20-32 ♦ Colossians 2:12-14 ♣ Luke 11:1-13

“Give us each day our daily bread.” — Luke 11:3

What kind of food do you eat most often? Pizza? Hamburgers? Bread? Rice? Well, in Jesus’ day, the most common, every day food that most people ate was bread. So that’s what Jesus said to ask for when he taught his friends how to pray. If Jesus was teaching a group of people today and he knew they ate rice every day, he would probably tell them to pray “Gives us this day our daily rice.”

After Jesus taught his friends the Our Father prayer (also called the Lord’s Prayer) he taught them that God wants to give us good things even more than the best parents in the world want to give their children what they need. God is a gift-giver and LOVES to give gifts. Jesus tells us that it’s all right to ask for what we need. The hard part for us is that sometimes God answers our prayers with something different than what we expected. Or sometimes we can’t figure out until later that God answered us. But Jesus said we should keep asking because God will be there for us.

Jesus, thank you for all the things you provide for us that keep us alive, like our daily food.

When have you prayed for something and received it? Have you ever prayed for something and it seemed like God didn’t answer? What was it? What happened then?

Answer the following questions together after Mass:

What Mass did you attend this week? _____

What color were the priest’s vestments? _____

What was one new insight the homily gave you?

Was there something special you noticed at Mass today?

Family name: _____