



do justice • love tenderly • walk humbly with God Micah 6:8

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We begin all of our prayer in the presence of our loving Creator; because we are all created in the very image and likeness of God!

As a Christian community, we know this:

We must act with preference for those who are oppressed!

Daily reflection:

(Sojourner Truth)

“Children, who made your skin white? Was it not God? Who made mine Black? Was it not the same God? Am I to blame, therefore, because my skin is Black? Does not God love colored children as well as white children? And did not the same Savior die to save the one as well as the other?”

At the age of 9 years old Isabella Baumfree was sold, along with a flock of sheep, for \$100. As an adult, she escaped slavery and on Pentecost Sunday in 1843 she took on the name, Sojourner Truth because she believed that her faith demanded that she go forth and speak the truth!

Sojourner Truth spent the rest of her life working and testifying on behalf of any group of people who suffered at the hands of the powerful.

Daily decision for action:

We look to role models, saints, and heroes for inspiration. Yet, it is all too easy to fool ourselves into complacency by saying, “Well, that person was an exception, not like the rest of us ordinary people.” Our Christian faith calls us to be exceptional – to go forth and speak the truth! Let’s pray today for the grace to be exceptional.

Intercessions/ our prayer for our world:

For Pope Francis, that he will be given strength to return to good health so that he might continue to guide the people of God.

For anyone who suffers oppression and injustice of any kind, may they know and feel the support of the Christian community.

For those who are bound unjustly, may our actions and decisions help release them.

For all of us, that we will be more and more aware of how our decisions affect others.

Blessing: *(the prayer of Aaron over the people of God: Num. 6:23b–26)*

May the Lord bless you and keep you!

May the Lord let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!

May the Lord look upon you kindly and give you peace!

And we say together with all of the people of God:

Amen.