**WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 16 – XXXIII WEEK O.T. [C]**

**'With your own words I shall condemn you, you wicked servant. You knew I was a demanding person, taking up what I did not lay down and harvesting what I did not plant; why did you not put my money in a bank? Then on my return I would have collected it with interest.'**

**The life of every man is a gift of the heavenly Father, so that, lived with the grace of God and in the Holy Spirit that enriches man with each of his spiritual gift, may bear fruits of eternal life not only for itself, but also for every other man. In fact, the fruit that the Lord asks each man is that he becomes disciple of Christ Jesus. The fruit he asks each of his disciple is to make all the people disciples. If this double fruit is not produced, the other fruits are useless to the Lord. He asks these two fruits and these fruits must be produced. Today not only are these fruits no longer produced, one teaches that they must not be produced either. Why must they not be produced any longer? Because there is no longer necessity to become disciples of Christ Jesus and consequently there is no longer the need to preach the Gospel. There is not even the necessity to produce the fruit of our eternal salvation. This is given to everyone with no distinction. What is written in the Gospel is of the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Now this Father no longer exists. The unique God exists that is without Christ, without the Holy Spirit, without the Gospel, without the Revelation, with no objective truth. He is the God who wraps everyone with his mercy. Even the Parable that today we read in the liturgy belongs to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Father that no longer exists today. If He no longer exists, what comes from Him no longer exists either. This Parable must be cancelled, as the entire Gospel, the entire Revelation must be cancelled. Instead, we believe that the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ exists, Christ Jesus exists and the Holy Spirit exists. We believe that the Word of God, of Christ Jesus, of the Apostles of the Lord exists. We believe that this Word is most pure truth. We believe that the salvation is in the obedience to this Word. We believe that the Parable narrated today by Jesus is not only a literary genre, nor has it uttered for the people still rude in the knowledge and in the science. We believe that it is said for every man of yesterday, of today, of all times. We believe that the Lord wants the fruits for every gift He bestows on us. We believe that if we are wicked and evil servants, we will not take part to the joy of the Lord our God. Since we believe, this is why we strive with all our strengths, so that others may become disciples of Jesus and begin, too, their journey that will have to lead them to the eternal life. Since faith arises from faith, if our faith is weak, it makes weak faith, instead if it is strong, it will give life to other faith. If we are wicked and lazy, our death is dead and through our dead faith no faith might arise in a heart. If a disciple of Jesus does not make other faith, he attests that his faith is dead.**

**Let us read the text of Lk 19,11-28**

**While they were listening to him speak, he proceeded to tell a parable because he was near Jerusalem and they thought that the kingdom of God would appear there immediately. So he said, "A nobleman went off to a distant country to obtain the kingship for himself and then to return. He called ten of his servants and gave them ten gold coins and told them, 'Engage in trade with these until I return.' His fellow citizens, however, despised him and sent a delegation after him to announce, 'We do not want this man to be our king.' But when he returned after obtaining the kingship, he had the servants called, to whom he had given the money, to learn what they had gained by trading. The first came forward and said, 'Sir, your gold coin has earned ten additional ones.' He replied, 'Well done, good servant! You have been faithful in this very small matter; take charge of ten cities.' Then the second came and reported, 'Your gold coin, sir, has earned five more.' And to this servant too he said, 'You, take charge of five cities.' Then the other servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your gold coin; I kept it stored away in a handkerchief, for I was afraid of you, because you are a demanding person; you take up what you did not lay down and you harvest what you did not plant.' He said to him, 'With your own words I shall condemn you, you wicked servant. You knew I was a demanding person, taking up what I did not lay down and harvesting what I did not plant; why did you not put my money in a bank? Then on my return I would have collected it with interest.' And to those standing by he said, 'Take the gold coin from him and give it to the servant who has ten.' But they said to him, 'Sir, he has ten gold coins.' 'I tell you, to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. Now as for those enemies of mine who did not want me as their king, bring them here and slay them before me.'" After he had said this, he proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem.**

**Faith arises from faith. What is the mission of every disciple of Jesus? Making the faith in Christ arise in many other hearts. Everyone must generate faith in the measure of the faith he received, growing himself from faith into faith, walking from truth into truth. Even if the measure of our faith is little, we must produce according to this measure. If we do not produce other faith, we have no justification before God on the day in which we will be called to give account of the gifts that the Lord has bestowed on us. May the Mother of God help us. May She not let us become wicked, lazy, evil servants. May She make us servants with many fruits.**