

This Week's Readings

First Reading: Revelation 7: 2-4, 9-14.

John's vision was of a multitude of people of every nation giving praise to God.

Second Reading: 1 John 3: 1-3.

If we live as befits the sons of God, we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel: Matthew 5: 1-12.

The happy people, says Jesus, are those whose trust is placed in God.



Points for Reflection

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of all Saints.

The Saints are those who belong to the Kingdom of God. And we all were created and are called by God to enter his Kingdom: to become Saints.

The Kingdom of God, however, is not just for the next world. It is for us to build it up here and now.

In **today's Gospel** Jesus tells us the kind of people who belong to the Kingdom: the poor, the gentle, the sorrowful, the single-hearted, those whom our world calls "unlucky". But Jesus calls them happy. These are the fortunate people, because nothing stands between them and God. They find their happiness in him, because they are not

blinded by more transient joys. Jesus said: *"Alas for you rich, well-fed, well-spoken of, for you are having your kind of happiness now"*.

We all are made for happiness, but true happiness is only found in self-forgetfulness, in making other people happy.

Following Christ will bring happiness, but it is not easily bought, since it means giving ourselves to others completely as Jesus did.

But, as St John tells us in **today's Second Reading**, those who try to be like Christ (the Saints) will, when all is revealed, be like God, and see him as he really is.



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Kids' Corner

Beatitudes Matthew 5:1-12



When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. (NRSV)

