

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURES
February 16, 2020
Six Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sirach 15:15-20 † 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 † Matthew 5:17-37



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Matthew says, “Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.”

Jesus asks of us to do more than just keep the commandments and follow the law. Jesus wants us to do all we need to do to deepen our relationship with God. He is laying for us a map that goes beyond our families, communities, workplace and the world. He is asking of us to go beyond and trust in the guidance of the Spirit and follow Him. Do nothing to injure a person. If we have injured anyone, seek reconciliation immediately so we can worship God in mature love and respect by being humble, gentle, and loving.

If we listen to the wisdom of the Spirit, we can be free and go in peace about our daily lives. This is the way we respond to the love that God has showed us and has given us freely. Our choice is to use our gifts wisely, becoming an act of love and choosing to love. We are building the Kingdom of God.

“O most merciful Redeemer, Friend and brother,
May I Know Thee more clearly
Love Thee more dearly,
and follow Thee more nearly.”

—St. Richard, Bishop of Chichester (1197-1253)