

Knights Lecture

Welcome back! I hope you all had a great Christmas, and New Years, and all around good break.

In today's Gospel Jesus and his disciples eat with tax collectors and sinners. The Pharisees saw that Jesus was doing this with his disciples and said amongst themselves, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners." Jesus heard this and told them, "Those who are well do not need a physician, but the sick do. I do not come to call the righteous, but sinners."

Shortly after he was elected pope, Pope Francis called the Church a field hospital which is needed to heal the wounded. A hospital, which would be useless if its members were not sick; if its members were perfect.

As human beings we all have our imperfections; things we struggle with; wounds we've collected from being real people. As members of the Church we have at our disposal the sacraments, which form the foundation of the Church. The sacraments not only form the foundation of the Church as a whole, but the foundations of the Church residing in each of us.

On a more human level we have each other; we have the Knights, and we have our friends to help with our struggles, and who encourage us to receive the sacraments frequently.

Pope Francis reminds us to not be a Church that evangelizes on an impersonal scale by simply keeping the doors open. He says, "let us try also to be a Church that finds new roads, that is able to step outside itself and to those who do not attend Mass, to those who have quit or are indifferent...But that takes audacity and courage." How awesome would it be we are all able to bring one of our friends that does not attend Mass to come to Mass with us between now and our next meeting?