

Sunday Gospel Reflection

17th Sunday Ordinary Time

1. Sign of the Cross

2. Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52 *“on finding one pearl of great value...”*



Three Parables

⁴⁴ “The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

⁴⁵ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; ⁴⁶ on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

⁴⁷ “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; ⁴⁸ when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. ⁴⁹ So it will be at the end of the age. The angels

will come out and separate the evil from the righteous ⁵⁰ and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Treasures New and Old

⁵¹ “Have you understood all this?” They answered, “Yes.” ⁵² And he said to them, “Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”

3. Reflection: (reflect on your own or share together if with others)

1. What has the greatest value in your life?
2. What is an example of a pearl of great value in your life?
3. How do you discern what to keep and what to throw away in your life?

4. Share petitions that you would like to pray for: Finish with the Special Petition.

Special Petition: For peace in our world.

5. Lord's Prayer

6. Sign of the Cross.