

Sunday Gospel Reflection

32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

1. Sign of the Cross

2. Gospel: Mark 12:38-44

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Jesus Denounces the Scribes

³⁸ As he taught, he said, “Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, ³⁹ and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! ⁴⁰ They devour widows’ houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation.”

The Widow’s Offering

⁴¹ He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. ⁴² A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. ⁴³ Then he called his disciples and said to them, “Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. ⁴⁴ For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

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

1. “Beware of the scribes.” Who might be the scribes in our world today that Jesus would warn us about?

2. Have you ever experienced someone who is poor, yet more generous than others?
3. How does this story of the poor widow challenge you in your life?
4. **Share petitions that you would like to pray for: Finish with the Special Petition.**

Special Petition: For all widows and widowers, that they will find peace in God.

5. **Lord's Prayer**
6. **Sign of the Cross.**