

Reflections

If anyone deserves to be first, he shall be last of all and servant of all. (Mark 9:35)

On the way to Capernaum, Jesus noticed that the disciples argued among themselves of who would be the greatest among them. To this Jesus said that he did not come to be served but to serve. Jesus was the epitome of a servant- leader. He not only taught servant leadership but also practiced it every day of his life. Jesus knew that he had all power and control of all things but still washed his disciples' feet.

In the epistle portion we read that there was growing sectarianism among the new believers with groups holding allegiance to Apollos, Paul, etc. Paul admonishes them and says that the one who led them to Jesus is not important but instead it is important to follow the example of Christ.

Today we also observe the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer. When God completed creation he said that it was all very good. But due to rapid industrialization, population explosion, deforestation etc. there are gaps in the ozone layer resulting in global warming and climatic change. Let us resolve to play our part in being good stewards of God's creation and support the various initiatives that are in place for this purpose.

Prayer

***Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart, naught be all else to me save that thou art;
thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping thy presence my light
Amen.***