

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Gospel text (Lk 15:1-32): Tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to listen to Jesus, but the Pharisees and scribes began to complain, saying, “This man welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So to them he addressed this parable. “What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it? ...”

Christ restores Creation. The apostle must go and spread the Good News

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Today, is the day we must go out and tell the world that there is a Man who for the last 2000 years has wanted to reedit Eden and who came just for this. Jesus is coming to restore, to recreate: “Oh lord, who in such an admirable way created all things, and in a more admirable way recreated them...”

The times we live urge us. We have no right to remain in a self-contemplating mood, to remain secluded in our own life... We hold no right to be at ease. We’ve got to leave our canvass and tell the world that Jesus is alive, and that He lives for them, for him and for her, for us all, and tell them in joy... even if one appears to be a fool at times. The message behind the Gospel is foolishness, says St, Paul. We’ve got to go and sow hope, we’ve got to go and search.

—The first thing Mary did after receiving the Good News in her bosom was to leave to serve. Let’s rush to offer the service that we believe in the Good News: the Good news of Christ yesterday, today and forever and one day.