

LECTIO DIVINA



Brentwood Diocese Education Service

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The Sign of the Cross



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Opening Prayer

Spirit of wisdom and understanding,
enlighten our minds to perceive the mysteries of the universe
in relation to eternity.

Spirit of right judgment and courage,
guide us and make us firm in our baptismal decision
to follow Jesus' way of love.

Spirit of knowledge and reverence,
help us to see the lasting value of justice and mercy
in our everyday dealings with one another.
May we respect life as we work to solve problems of family and nation,
economy and ecology.

Spirit of God,
spark our faith, hope and love into new action each day.
Fill our lives with wonder and awe in your presence which penetrates all creation.
Amen.

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Silent Reflection

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But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him.

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But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest.

Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, “If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.”

Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.”

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• MEDITATIO •

REFLECTION

What God is saying to you?
Feel free to share 'echoes' of the text,
a phrase that strikes you.
If you wish, please say why.

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PRAYER

What would you like to say to God?

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Lord in your mercy ...

R / Hear our prayer

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LET US
REST IN GOD
IN SILENCE

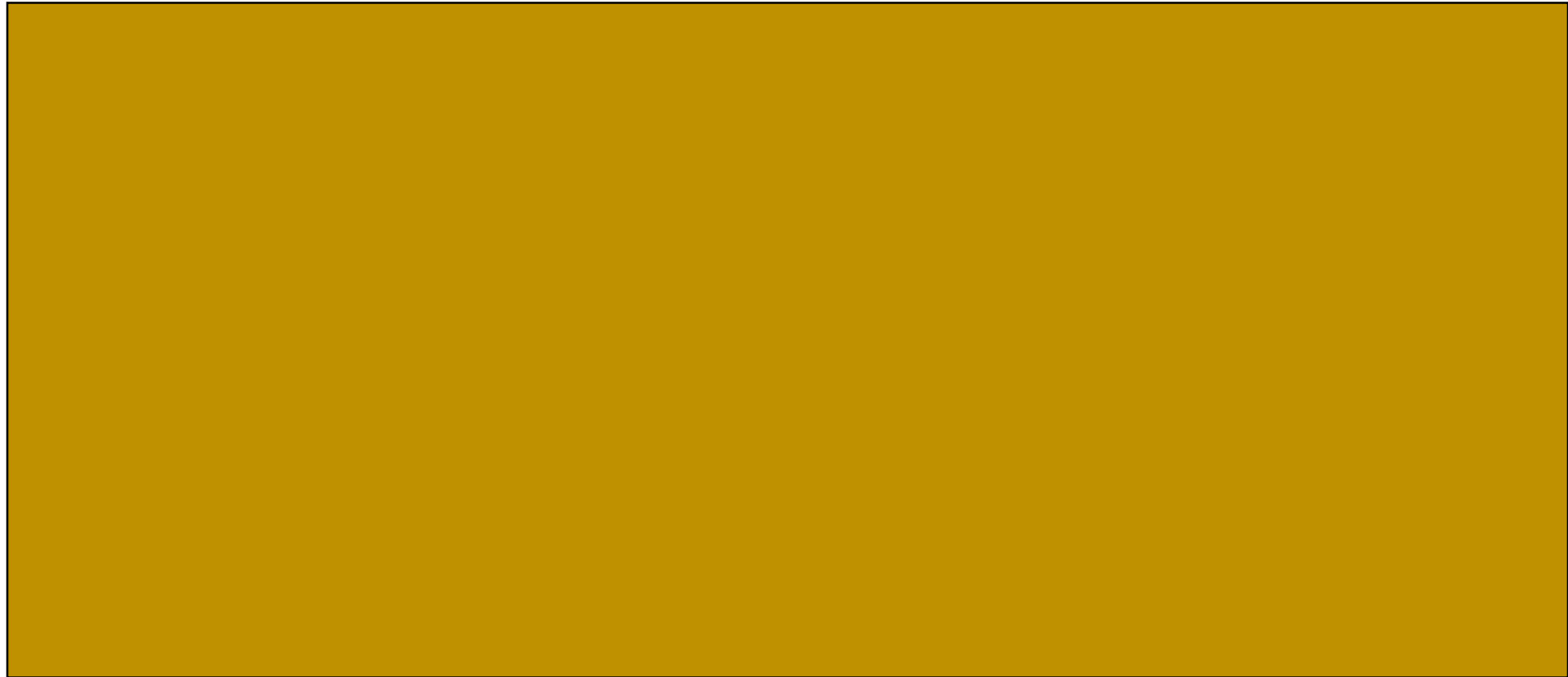
May the Holy Spirit
deepen our awareness of the Word

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The Lord's Prayer



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