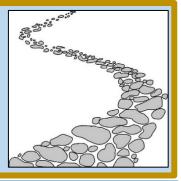
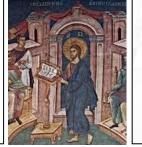


## WALKING THE PATH





28<sup>th</sup> January 2024 Racial Justice Sunday In Mark's Gospel, the people ask : "What is this new teaching?"



## Walking the Path ... of Gratitude

Our unique ancestries are a gift. The world has been blessed with such a broad diversity of cultures and perspectives, knowledge, skills and experiences.

Working with different people to ourselves should feel like being in a sweet shop.

All cultures should be seen for what they are, a gift from God.

## **PRAYER INTENTION: FOR THE SICK AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM**

## PLACE OF PILGRIMAGE : JERUSALEM

The Garden of Gethsemane (the Garden of the Olive Oil Press) is a walled garden on the lower slopes of the Mount of Olives, opposite the Old City of Jerusalem. According to the Gospels, it was there that Jesus underwent His Agony in the Garden, was betrayed by His friend Judas and arrested by an armed detachment sent by the High

Priest. You can still see ancient olive trees there, some of which may possibly date Christ's time ...



"Christ is alive! He is our hope, and in a wonderful way he brings youth to our world." - Pope Francis, *World Youth Day 2023* 



Blaise was a hard-working bishop who encouraged the spiritual and physical health of his people in Armenia. Religious persecution still raged in the country. According to a legend, a mother came to him with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Bishop Blaise's command, the child coughed up the bone. In 316 he was beheaded for not sacrificing to the pagan gods.



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