

# Sunday and Feast Day Liturgical Notes for Priests and Deacons

## Suggestions for Leading Worship



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**RE:** Liturgical Suggestions for the 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time – Cycle B

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Dear Fathers and Deacons,

### An Overview...

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**The point of the Gospel:** For the kind of journey on which Jesus sends His disciples, “no food, no sack, no money” are needed. What is needed, Jesus gives them: His authority and His teaching. Everything depends on Jesus: the call, the sending, and what is needed to carry on the mission.

**Connecting the Gospel to the first Reading:** Amos was taken from shepherding his flock and sent by God to prophesy. He was rejected and expelled from Bethel. The Twelve were sent out from Jesus and also met some rejection. Both Amos and the Twelve were sent out on the authority of someone else.

**The connection to culture:** In our society we tend to live and work as if everything depends upon us. While we need to be practical about life, we cannot lose sight of the One on whom we ultimately depend – Jesus.

### **Questions for Sharing Faith...**

- 1) How have I tried to continue the mission of Jesus which I have been given?
- 2) While on the journey of discipleship, what does it mean to be totally dependent on Jesus?
- 3) How do I manifest the authority of Jesus through my ministry?

### **Some Other Considerations as You Prepare...**

#### 1. Sample Penitential Rite for the 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B:

*Priest:* We gather to offer our praise and thanks to God who is always near us and gives us the authority to make known the good news of salvation. Let us prepare ourselves to be faithful to the mission. . . .

*Deacon* (or other minister): Lord Jesus, you summon us into your presence: Lord, have mercy.  
Christ Jesus, you send us out on mission: Christ, have mercy.  
Lord Jesus, you accompany us on our journey: Lord, have mercy.

## Sample General Intercessions for the 15th Ordinal Sunday

*Priest:* As a people redeemed and forgiven, let us earnestly pray to God, who freely bestows the riches of grace on all in Christ the Beloved.

*Deacon* (or other reader if there is no deacon):

- 1) That the Church, sent by God for the healing of the nations, may proclaim Christ with courage and conviction, in simplicity and service, we pray to the Lord.
- 2) That missionaries may be sustained by active support from friends at home and encouraged by a ready welcome in distant lands, we pray to the Lord.
- 3) That mutual acknowledgment and repentance for the conflicts of the past may drive from our world the demons of war and heal the wounds of discord, we pray to the Lord.
- 4) That the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and our community's compassion may bring healing and strength to those who are ill, we pray to the Lord.
- 5) That we may cheerfully extend to vacationers and travelers the hospitality of faith and the fellowship of our parish community, we pray to the Lord.
- 6) That we who are redeemed in Christ's blood and forgiven our trespasses may eagerly make known to all the mystery of God's saving love for them, we pray to the Lord.
- 7) That the dead who believed in Christ may now receive the promised inheritance of redemption, we pray to the Lord.

*Priest:* O God of salvation,  
You adopt us through Jesus Christ,  
and you call us to proclaim the good news  
of your healing power and forgiving love.  
Give us unfailing trust  
that the wealth of your word is sufficient,  
the food and drink you provide is ample.  
Then send us out with praise on our lips.  
We ask this through the same Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

*(From Prayers for Sundays and Season, Year B, P. Scagnelli. Chicago, IL: LTP, 1996)*