Reflection Monday Week 15 – 2023

Being human the way we choose things is not the way God chooses things. If we begin with ourselves, we lose sight of what is truly important and make all sorts of wrong choices. God's choices are all encompassing. God sees all of us as unique beings yet, all of us are equally important to God, no one is better than anyone else, they are each unique. As the gospel implies, we tend to prefer one person over others and that can affect the way we treat them and treat others. God is able to treat each of us in a unique way; in the way that will best help each of us. There is no hierarchy in God. While God is a both / and, we humans need to begin by choosing God in order to be able to offer the best towards our neighbour. In other words, when we choose God, we automatically choose our neighbour too. But if we choose our neighbour first, it does not follow that we automatically choose God.

Pope Francis: Christians are called to commit themselves concretely in human and social realities without putting God and Caesar into opposition, but by illuminating the earthly reality with the light that comes from God. Giving priority to God and having hope in him does not lead to an escape from reality but helps make industrious that which belongs to him.