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CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fr. Matt's Musings December 3, 2020

Today is the feast of Saint Francis Xavier, a Jesuit priest, and missionary. Part of his mission in life was to introduce Christ to people in many different lands.

There's a bad joke about Saint Francis. An adventurer was climbing a very high and steep rock surface, and as the climber got closer and closer to the top, there was a vine, and he grabbed onto the vine. As he pulled himself up, the roots of the vine let go, and he began to fall. In a loud voice, he cried out, "Saint Francis help me." Miraculously, the climber stopped falling. Then, in a loud voice from the heavens came the response, "Which Saint Francis?"

There are many Saint Francis's. Saint Francis of Assisi is known for his poverty and his love of all created things. Saint Francis de Sales reminds us that the sole mission in life for us is the search for holiness. And Saint Francis Xavier reminds us that part of our mission in life is to bring others to Christ.

I am one of many Matthews; you most likely share a name with many others. Just like the mentioned Francis, you and I are called to bring others to Christ, each in our own way. Let us make our lives attractive with powerful words and loving actions.

Live Jesus!

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