

## **Signs of the Times**

There was an urgent need to provide for the education of the poor boys who were running wild through the streets and alleys of the worst neighborhoods of Reims.

Let us remember **We are in the Holy Presence of God.**

### **Readings:**

**Meditation 195.2** – St. John Baptist de La Salle

Because you are ambassadors and ministers of Jesus Christ in the work that you do, you must act as representing Jesus Christ. He wants your disciples to see him in you and to receive your instructions as if he were instructing them.<sup>3</sup> They must be convinced that your instructions are the truth of Jesus Christ, who speaks with your mouth, that it is only in his name that you teach, and that he has given you authority over them. They must also be convinced that they are a letter that Jesus Christ dictates to you, which you write each day in their heart, not with ink but by the Spirit of the living God,<sup>4</sup> who acts in you and by you through the power of Jesus Christ. He helps you triumph over all the obstacles that oppose the salvation of these children, enlightening them in the person of Jesus Christ<sup>5</sup> to make them avoid all that could be displeasing to him. To fulfill this duty with as much perfection and exactness as God requires of you, frequently appeal to the Spirit of our Lord to make you act in your work only under his influence, so that your mind may have no part in it. This Holy Spirit, then, will come upon them generously, so that they will be able to possess the Christian spirit fully.

### **Luke 7:22**

Jesus said to the messengers sent by John, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard. Blind people are now able to see, and the lame can walk. People who have leprosy are being healed, and the deaf can now hear. The dead are raised to life, and the poor are hearing the good news".

### **Quiet Reflection**

- **Turn to one other and share a thought or phrase that connects you to seeing and/or responding to the signs of the times.**

### **Needs of the Community:**

Response: We prayer to the Lord **Lord, hear our prayer.**

### **Closing Prayer:**

Spirit of Wisdom, open eyes that we may see, the courage to act when we are invited to do so, and the wisdom to ask for help uniting with others to build up the Kingdom of God. We ask this in your name. Amen.

St. John Baptist de La Salle **Pray for us.**  
Live Jesus in our hearts **Forever.**