

A BROTHER FOR OTHERS

Blessed Brother James Miller, FSC

This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this that someone lay down his life for his friends.

John 15:12

We remember the life and gift of our Midwest District Brother James Miller, FSC whom we now call Blessed Brother James Miller, martyred because he and the Brothers stood up for God's poor in Guatemala in 1982.

PRESENCE of GOD

We pause and remember that we are always and everywhere in the holy presence of our loving God Who loves us with an everlasting love. Holy is God; holy and mighty; holy and living forever.

HYMN

**We praise You, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
in grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before You; we kneel and adore You;
we bless Your holy Name; glad praises we sing.**

**We worship You; God ever faithful, we bless You;
through life's storm and tempest our guide You have been.
When perils o'ertake us, You will not forsake us,
and with Your help, O Lord, life's battles we win.**

**With voices united our praises we offer,
and gladly our songs of true worship we raise.
Our sins now confessing, we pray for Your blessing;
to You, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.**

***The greatest in the kingdom of heaven
are those who keep the faith
and teach others to do the same.***

Matthew 5:19

PSALM 85

**O Lord, teach me Your paths,
and I will come to Your truth.
Make my heart simple and guileless,
so that it honors Your name.
I will proclaim You, Lord my God,
and give You praise with all my heart.
I will give glory to Your Name for ever,
for Your great kindness is upon me:
You have rescued me from the deepest depths.
O God, the proud rise against me,
in the meetings of the powerful they seek my life:
they do not keep You in their sight.
And You, Lord, are a God of compassion,
full of mercies, patient and true.
Look upon me, have mercy upon me,
give Your strength and protection to Your servant.**

GOD'S WORD TO US

Matthew 25:31-46

Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of My family, you did it to Me.' Then He will say to those at His left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from Me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave Me no food, I was thirsty and you gave Me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome Me, naked and you did not give Me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of You?' Then He will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.

INTERCESSIONS

Response:

SPIRIT OF GOD, REST UPON US.

- **May we always see the face of God in our brothers and sisters especially the poor and oppressed among us, we pray:**
- **May those who dedicate their lives in serving God's people in foreign lands be strengthened by God's love as manifested by our prayers and concerns, we pray:**
- **May the lives given by those women and men who shed their blood be both a source of growth in our Christian faith and an encouragement in the work of peace and justice, we pray:**
- **May the life and self-giving spirit of our Blessed Brother James fill us with joy and hope as all of us continue to promote the love of God and the progress of peoples, we pray:**
- **May each of us grow in our ability to seek justice, walk humbly and act mercifully as we spread the Good News of Jesus, we pray:**

PRAYER of BLESSED BROTHER JAMES MILLER, FSC

**I pray to God for the grace and strength
to serve Him faithfully**

**by my presence among the poor and oppressed of Guatemala.
I place my life in His Providence. I place my trust in Him.**

**Saint John Baptist de LaSalle, our Father and Founder,
Intercede for us that we may be your true followers
in loving the Lord and one another especially the poor among us.**

LIVE JESUS IN OUR HEARTS. FOREVER!