

Tuesday, August 29, 2023 Tuesday of the Twenty-First Week in Ordinary Time



Good Morning!

We celebrate the Passion of St. John the Baptist. We read 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8, Psalm 139, and Mark 6:17-29. John came to prepare the way of the Lord. In his ministry, he often challenged people in their ways of living. John brought many people to faith by his words and his lifestyle. He may not have been popular in the sense of great fame but he drew the crowds and baptized many. Paul, in Thessalonia, spoke to those whose worldviews may have been different. Paul states, "As we were judged worthy by God to be entrusted with the Gospel, that is how we speak, not as trying to please men, but rather God, who judges hearts." We may not be famous among the people but our words are important and spending time with others and sharing our very selves will grow and challenge our relationships. John ended up beheaded because he spoke the truth. Paul's ministry was challenged at times when communities would not receive him well. As we love and serve others, we will be challenged at times and welcomed at others. This does not stop us from sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, nor sharing in the gifts we have been given. Allow the Lord to rest his hand on you today.

Peace, RevKev

"You have searched me and you know me, Lord." http://www.bible.usccb.org: