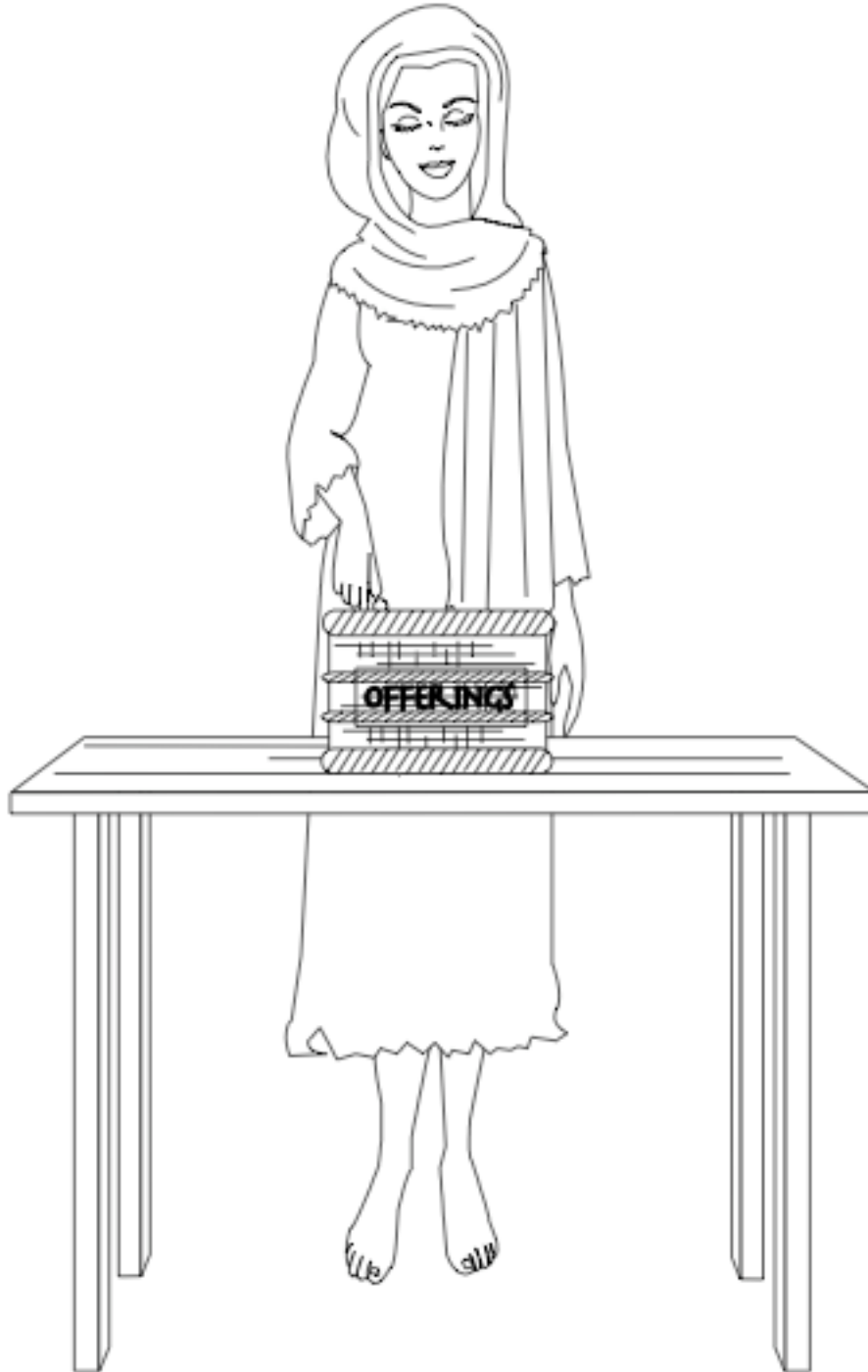


Sunday, November 8, 2009 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week's Gospel - Mk 12:38-44



“Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they have all contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.”

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In this Sunday's message from the Gospel of Mark, we hear a story that is often called "the widow's mite". Jesus saw many rich people donating a lot of their money. Then he saw one very poor woman give what little she had to help others. Jesus told her disciples that this special woman had indeed given the most, because of her great sacrifice! Jesus calls you and me to give in order to help others. We can give our time to help a friend in need, our kindness to someone who may be lonely, or our prayers for a special person in our life.

For More Fun:

- This week, be a giver. Think about someone in your life who needs your help and do something for that person. Your gift can be a toy you share, a story you tell, or even a hug and a smile!
- This week, we celebrate the feast day of some great saints, including Pope Leo the Great and Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, the first US citizen to be canonized a saint. Learn more about all of this week's saints at <http://saints.sqpn.com>.
- This year, Pope Benedict XVI has invited us to celebrate a **Year for Priests**. Every week, we will be coming up with special ways to thank our wonderful priests. This week, do a chore around your home to earn a small amount of money. Remember that even two pennies can be a special gift – just like the story of the "widow's mite"! Donate your earnings to your priest's favorite charity.
- I love to hear from you! Drop me an email to lisa@catholicmom.com and tell me about your family, your class, or your church! **Lisa**



Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini