

He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.

My dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, God created everything good. He blessed human beings with abundant blessings and graces in the history of salvation. In today's first reading prophet Isaiah gives encouraging words to the Israel people. He said, "Do not be afraid", your God is coming to save you. He is faithful to His people. Peace and Justice flow from Him. Blessings will be upon His people when God comes.

In today's gospel Jesus blesses people who are in need. Whatever Jesus does, he always does well.

1. When Jesus healed, he healed completely. In the gospel, Jesus healed a man who was not only deaf but also had an impediment in speech. After his healing the man's ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. His healing was complete.

Yes, my brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, when Jesus healed the paralytic who was brought on a mat, he was able to stand up and take up his mat and walk away in front of the amazed crowd who came to Jesus to be healed, and when he heals, he heals us completely.

2. When Jesus spoke, He spoke well. When Jesus exorcised the demons, there was authority in His words, and when he finished the sermon on the mount, the crowd was astounded at his teaching for he taught them as one having authority, and not as their scribes.

3. When Jesus redeemed, He redeemed completely. Christ is our great savior. He washed away our sins by His death on Calvary. We do not need any other sacrifice either of animals or of man. Jesus, by his death has sufficiently redeemed us. We have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

4. When Jesus intercedes, He intercedes perfectly. Jesus is the most perfect intercessor. In the letter to the Hebrews we read, Jesus is able for all time to save those who approach God through Him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. St. Paul emphatically said, who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes who was raised, and who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. (Rom 8:34)

Jesus Christ is our permanent and the most powerful intercessor. This gives us perfect confidence to approach Him, for we know that the Father always hears His prayers. May we approach Jesus in faith and humility, for He always does things well.

All things, which Jesus does, He always does them well. When He heals, He heals wholly; when He teaches, He teaches effectively, when He forgives, He forgives completely. The best way to serve the Lord for the blessings we have received from Him is to dedicate them to Him, and to do with them that which would contribute to His praise and glory.

Let us ask Jesus in this mass to do good and to follow him faithfully and to witness gospel in our lives.