Dear Friends in Christ,

"Then Peter said, ‘‘Lord, is this parable meant for us or for everyone?’’ And the Lord replied, ‘Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time? Blessed is that servant whom his master on arrival finds doing so. Truly, I say to you, the master will put the servant in charge of all his property.’’ Luke 12:41-44

This passage of Saint Luke's Gospel serves as a warning for us to be prepared to make an account for how we have spent our time and resources to help those in need. Our Nation has been entrusted with much, but how much would we be able to account for when our Master returns?

"Much will be required of the person entrusted with much, and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted with more.” Luke 12:48

Please join the Brothers in prayer and share what you can out of what you have been entrusted with, to continue to show dignity to the stranger who seeks refuge from violence and desperation.

Peace and All Good,

Brother Conrad Richardson, fbp
Community Servant

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**PRAYER FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES**
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Lord Jesus, when you multiplied the loaves and fishes, you provided more than food for the body, you offered us the gift of yourself, the gift which satisfies every hunger and quenches every thirst! Your disciples were filled with fear and doubt, but you poured out your love and compassion on the migrant crowd, welcoming them as brothers and sisters.

Lord Jesus, today you call us to welcome the members of God's family who come to our land to escape oppression, poverty, persecution, violence, and war. Like your disciples, we too are filled with fear and doubt and even suspicion. We build barriers in our hearts and in our minds.

Lord Jesus, help us by your grace,

• To banish fear from our hearts, that we may embrace each of your children as our own brother and sister;
• To welcome migrants and refugees with joy and generosity, while responding to their many needs;
• To realize that you call all people to your holy mountain to learn the ways of peace and justice;
• To share of our abundance as you spread a banquet before us;
• To give witness to your love for all people, as we celebrate the many gifts they bring.

We praise you and give you thanks for the family you have called together from so many people. We see in this human family a reflection of the divine unity of the one Most Holy Trinity in whom we make our prayer: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.