

June 19, 2008  
Thursday of the Eleventh Week in Ordinary Time

Readings of the day may be found on the following link:

<http://www.nccbuscc.org/nab>

Sirach 48:1-14

Psalms 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7

Matthew 6:7-15

*Your Father knows what you need before you ask him.*

I remember the comfort and safety of childhood when my needs were not only met but anticipated. Those years were short and all too soon it became my responsibility to take care of myself and meet my own needs. I think that we spend a lifetime trying to avoid the psychological maturity of caring for self, in search of the desire we feel at our core to be united and cared for by our Creator. The problem is that we place that expectation or desire on the shoulders of others who are in search of the same peace and unable to provide for us what only God can provide. The journey of faith is to learn to rely fully and completely on God.

*"Relying on God has to begin all over again every day as if nothing yet had been done."*

- C.S. Lewis