

The members of the Oblate family connect with each other through this prayer on the third Sunday every month.

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EVANGELIUM LIVE: Mk 13:24-32

And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.

A couple of years ago I helped organize a weekend event for the youth. Do you know that feeling of everything going wrong? Well, that was exactly the beginning of the event...

When we came to take over the classrooms and the gym at the school where the event was being held, the classrooms were locked, the gym was being used for another lesson, and no one had any idea what was going on. We lost two hours of preparation before everything was sorted out. When the youth arrived and the program started, we found out that two of them were missing and we searched all over the school for them. Fortunately, after an hour they came back and we continued. Our expectation of a perfect event had vanished.

Nevertheless, in the team reflection at the end of the event we saw the Lord had come with His power and glory. We saw how the youth encountered the Lord and how everything was turned into good.

This gospel, along with my experience, teaches me patience. And I also see that God has everything in His hands and can change everything with His power and glory.



St. Eugen's letter to Fr. Bruno Guigues, 1844

We need to have some courage and confidence in God who shows us the road and will not abandon us when we act in his name and for his glory.

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus said to his disciples: “But in those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in the clouds with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky. Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates. Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.”

