



## *Living Christ Together...*

### The Narrow Gate of Mercy

Dear Friend in Christ,

St. Paul is right: when we finite human creatures come before our Infinite Maker, “we do not know how to pray as we ought.” In the Gospels Jesus tells us how: “Strive to enter by the narrow gate.”



The breast-beating, downcast-eyed publican didn't try to widen it out with words. “Lord, have mercy on me a sinner” got the job done fine. He went home “justified”. He had prayed well – even if he didn't know it.



In Christ Jesus,

*Bishop Liam Cary*

P.S. As I prepare for my trip to Rome next month with the bishops of the Northwest for our meeting with Pope Francis, I'd like to gather your prayer intentions to take along with me. If you'd like to send them, please reply by January 30th.

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