

SATURDAY EASTER 6

First Reading: Acts 18: 23-28;

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 47: 2-3, 8-9, 10;

Gospel Reading: John 16: 23b-28.

THEME: Christ Speaks Plainly in his Followers

A father or mother speaks to us about filial relationships and love. Aba, daddy, or mama are used for people who are very close. Jesus Christ taught that God is Father; and not necessarily Adoniah as used by the Jews when a community or gathering is less than 10 people.

Jesus Christ assured that whatever we ask will be granted. Apollos had special charism (1 Cor 1: 12; 3: 4-11). By the power of the Holy Spirit, Apollos preached eloquently that Jesus is the Christ. We are invited to constantly appreciate how much Jesus Christ cares for us by connecting with us through the Holy Spirit. He speaks plainly to the world through us. Jesus Christ who is with the Father, encourages us to ask whatever we want in the name of Christ and it will be granted. In many religions, God cannot be called by a filial term such as Father. The Holy Spirit enables us to say Aba (Rom 8: 15).

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