

Fr. Gary hit the nail on the head on All Saint's Day. He shared that he doesn't know a single story about a saint who didn't suffer. And why? Because: people. People create suffering for one another. We have to endure each other—I am enduring you, and you are enduring me. How do we endure this suffering? The Beatitudes! They are the attitudes that we have to be. Blessed are the MEEK, the MERCIFUL, POOR IN SPIRIT, the PEACEMAKERS, etc, etc, etc. We sing about it every Thursday at our all school liturgies.

We can take such a message home with our children. When I am talking with a student who is bothered by another student I will often ask, "What would you do if you knew that "John" or "Jane" would never change? Would you continue to be unhappy or would you learn how to be happy in spite of this person?"

I think this is the idea Fr. Gary so eloquently presented. And what a beautiful world it would be, if we could all just get along.

Rejoice in the Lord and be glad.

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