

Dorothy Stang Novena: Day 6 – Sunday, February 9



Blessed are the single-hearted: for they shall see God. Matthew 5:8

"I know they want to kill me, but I will not go away. My place is here alongside these people who are constantly humiliated by persons who consider themselves powerful." — Sister Dorothy Stang

Dorothy, your single-heartedness came from always keeping your gaze on Jesus crucified. This gave you courage to forge ahead when meeting opposition on every side.

Prayer:

Jesus, you too were constantly humiliated and challenged by the powerful. Yet, you always spoke the Truth. We ask for the grace to speak up on behalf of the powerless. We pray for the grace to continue to "see," understand and act on behalf of environmental justice especially in our own corner of the world.

Action:

Take time to listen to nature communicating with you. Delight in a bird's song. Stand still and feel the wind caress your face. Look at and be bathed by the beauty of a sunset. What in your life needs to be reconciled?

Where do we see God? Here at Notre Dame, can we see the presence of God in each person we meet? Do we choose to walk with people instead of judging and pointing fingers at others? Our mission calls us to speak the truth of God's love consistently and universally to all we meet. This is our common goal, and this is what it ultimately means to be single-hearted.