

Lord Jesus Christ,

*you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father,
and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him.*

Show us your face and we will be saved.

*Your loving gaze freed Zacchaeus and Matthew
from being enslaved by money;*

*the adulteress and Magdalene from
seeking happiness only in created things;
made Peter weep after his betrayal,
and assured Paradise to the
repentant thief.*

*Let us hear, as if addressed to
each one of us, the words that you
spoke to the Samaritan woman:*

*“If you knew the gift of
God!”*

*You are the visible face of
the invisible Father,
of the God who manifests
his power above all by
forgiveness and mercy:
let the Church be your
visible face in the world, its
Lord risen and glorified.
You willed that your
ministers would also be
clothed in weakness
in order that they may feel
compassion for those in
ignorance and error:
let everyone who
approaches them feel sought after,
loved, and forgiven by God.*

*Send your Spirit and consecrate
every one of us with its anointing,
so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year
of grace from the Lord,*

*and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may
bring good news to the poor,
proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed,
and restore sight to the blind.*

*We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of
Mercy,
you who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit for ever
and ever.*

Amen.

