

### **Motivation for Matthew 25: 31-46**

In this week's Gospel we see Christ as a King who identifies with the weakest and the poorest. This echoes the mystery of the incarnation: That God, author of everything there is, stripped himself of infinite riches and became human. He comes to us now, through the Holy Spirit, as a shepherd and guide, offering his Kingdom to his brothers and sisters who are poor in Spirit. In these hours and in these periods of Lectio he invites us to listen to his gentle voice: to hand him all our concerns, worries and weaknesses and open our hearts to the guidance and comfort he offers as a King who is also a friend.