

## What am I to do?

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
Blest trinity and source of grace,  
Who calls us out of nothingness  
To find in you our resting place*

When I saw the pictures displayed on the television screen of a star that had never been seen before, I had feelings of wonder and awe and unease. It was the furthest star ever to have been photographed and was billions of lightyears away. I was uneasy not because I disbelieved what I was seeing but rather that this was proof of the greatness of God who created all that is. I am less than a speck of dust in this vast creation and yet God knows me, loves me and is even aware of every hair on my head.

In recent weeks, due to health reasons, I have not been able to physically attend mass but have been able to virtually attend by means of modern technology and have received spiritual communion. Even so, I have found it hard to pray or even to reflect. I wondered how can I, such a tiny speck of dust, serve such an almighty God. What must I do to please Him? I found my answer in Micah (6: 1-4 1-8)

*What is good has been explained to you, man,  
This is what the Lord asks of you:  
Only this, to act justly,  
To love tenderly  
And to walk humbly with your God.*

When I meet someone, I can observe what he/she does and how he does it, I can listen to what he says and I can look into his eyes, but I can never see the whole picture. I do not know what circumstance he has experienced to make him who he is today, therefore I cannot judge him. If he is hungry, I must feed him. If he is injured, I must help him. If he does not believe in God, I must try to enlighten him but I cannot force him. I can only pray that he will see in me a flicker of the light that comes from the one who has redeemed us. If he opposes me and abuses me, I must not retaliate in the same manner. I must love him tenderly and pray for him. To love tenderly is to love without condition, asking nothing in return. I can walk humbly with God knowing that I have nothing that has not been given to me. I have done nothing that God has not given me the means and opportunity to do. I am nothing that has not been made by him.

O Lord, you have given me so much and I have so little to give you in return.

I have only myself and I offer myself to you,

All that I have,

All that I do

And all that I am.

But I am weak and timid and sinful.

Strengthen me and encourage me that I may dedicate my life to you.

Grant me the wisdom to always know

What is the right thing to do.