

# God's People Bring Mercy and Peace to Others

Keep these ideas in mind as you study *Chapter 24*.

❖ Jesus told us to be merciful to others. God will be merciful to us. Jesus told us of many ways that we can show mercy. One such way is to forgive those who mistreat us.

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❖ Frances Cabrini left her home in Italy to be a missionary sister in the United States. Before Mother Cabrini died, she became an American citizen in 1909. Now she is Saint Frances Cabrini, the first U.S. citizen to be named a saint.

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❖ The corporal works of mercy are ways that we can meet the material needs of people. They include feeding the hungry and clothing the naked.

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❖ The spiritual works of mercy include teaching, consoling, comforting, forgiving, and being patient when others do wrong to us. The Church performs these acts of mercy, following the example of Jesus.

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❖ Jesus speaks of the peace that comes from loving God and others and from doing what is right.

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❖ God sent Jesus into the world to give us his peace. "Peace be with you" was how Jesus often greeted his apostles.

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❖ Isaac Jogues, a Jesuit priest, left France to bring God's peace to the North American tribes. One tribe captured Father Jogues. While he was their prisoner, he prayed for them, taught them about God's love, and offered his sufferings to God for them. He died a martyr for Jesus.

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