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Sky Farm Foundation Day in 1974

Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" Luke 18:1-8

**Lord, make me an
instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me
sow love;
where there is injury,
pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness,
light;
where there is sadness, joy.**

**O divine Master, grant that I
may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to
understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we
receive,
it is in pardoning that we are
pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are
born to Eternal Life.**

St Francis

Dearest Friends,

Sometimes we all wonder if prayer works especially when news of great suffering and death comes into our lives from every side. When Jesus spoke of the need to pray always he told this parable of hope because even an unjust judge hears and relieves the widow's suffering! God acts and answers through us. So maybe the question of prayer working comes down to us and our soul choice not to lose heart. As impossible as the great problems appear we can offer hope, encouragement, light, joy and comfort to each other. This keeps our prayer alive and in a spirit of faith we don't lose heart; we don't give up.

With this year's Summer Appeal we once again reach out for your help to maintain Sky Farm as a sacred place of prayer and strengthening of heart. We never actually opened but instead people began to say they just had to come! We heard their prayer and are open! There are many ongoing projects so we deeply appreciate any help you can share. Thank you for the many ways you have reached out even before our Summer Appeal! May God bless you with hope and courage.

In Christ's peace and joy,

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