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Grade (1-4):
23rd Sunday in OT, A

St. Anthony of Padua

Gospel Homework
Assignment due

September 4, 2011

Gospel Passage

Matt. 18:15 "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. 16 But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Questions

1. Jesus says that if another member of the Church (say a friend) is doing something wrong, that we should go to the person to try to help them stop doing it. Do you have the courage and love to try to help someone stop doing something wrong, even if it might make others dislike you?

2. Jesus says that "where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Do you realize that when you get together to pray with someone else, Jesus is *there* with you?

3. Jesus says that sometimes sinners won't listen "even to the Church." Do you know of any times when people won't listen to the Church?

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