

ST. DYSMAS SUNDAY

Oct. 18, 2009

Saint who and for what?? Our synod, the Delaware-Maryland Synod has a prison ministry in Maryland. It is called the Community of St. Dysmas (CSD). Saint Dysmas is the name given by tradition to the thief who died on the cross next to Jesus, but who asked to be included in Jesus' Kingdom. This prison ministry has weekly bible study, Sunday worship (averages 65 persons), provides pastoral care and more.

Jesus taught us that when we serve or visit those in prison, we are actually serving him. So, on Sunday, Oct. 18, we will pray for this ministry and support it. All the loose offering that we collect will be donated to the synod for this work. You may also write checks to St. Mark's, with a notation saying "St. Dysmas." Let us pray for and support our sisters and brothers in prison.