

Do you ever get tired of road repairs? Lots of people are involved in such projects. Road repairs are costly. They demand hard work. Sometimes they involve detours, slower speed limits and often are inconvenient. However, when the job is completed there is a sense of satisfaction, appreciation, better traffic flow and a smoother ride.

In today's Gospel John cries out to us: "Prepare the way of the Lord. Make straight His paths." How? With hard work. It may be inconvenient for us. It may be messy. We may not always be successful.

Preparing the way of the Lord can involve a change in our attitude or our behavior. We may need to overcome: deep-seated resentment, persistent fault-finding, unwillingness to forgive, dishonesty in our dealings with others, or a bullying attitude.

My sisters and brothers, this week focus on one attitude or one action that we can change in our life to prepare the way of the Lord. Do the hard work necessary by taking one day at a time, one step at a time.

There's lots to do on our journey. However, we are on the Way.