

November 12 2023
Thirty-second
Sunday in Ordinary Time



OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Catholic Parish

REV. PRABHU AROCKIASAMY, PASTOR
ED CONNICK, DEACON

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION,
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MASS

SCHEDULES

SATURDAY 3:15PM
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
& CONFESSION
3:30 PM – HOLY ROSARY
4:00 PM – HOLY MASS

SUNDAY
8:00 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
8:30AM- HOLY MASS
10:30 AM – EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
11:00AM- HOLY MASS

REGULAR
WEEKDAYS
MONDAY-
COMMUNION
SERVICE

TUESDAY-FRIDAY
8:00 AM – HOLY
ANNOUNCEMENTS

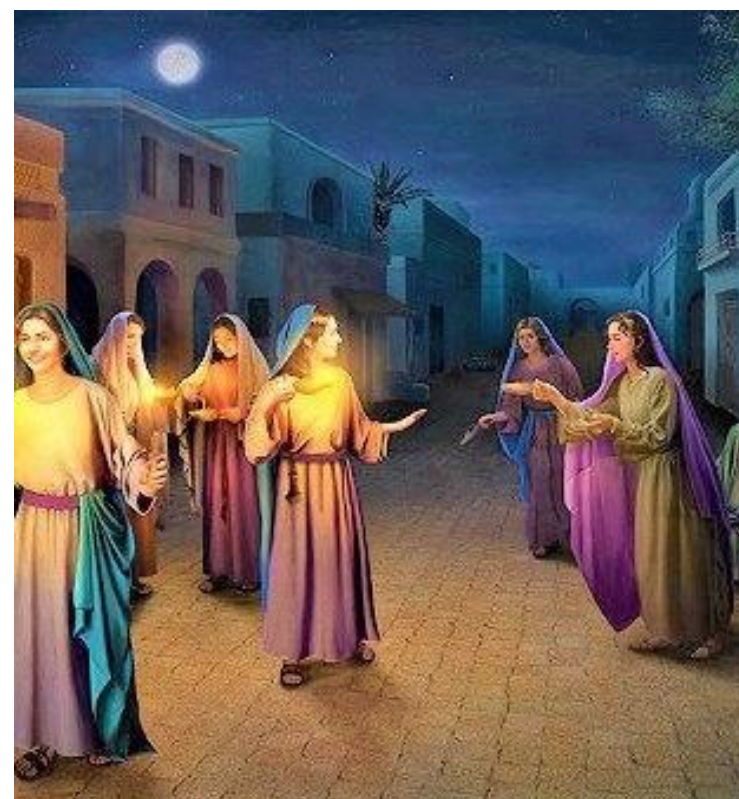
21st Annual Benefit Night Just 6
more days
18 November 2023 @ doors open
@ 5:30pm

\$ 100 a ticket which admits 2 to Dine with

Beer & wine– Dinner served at 6:00pm
Drawings begins at 7:00pm. A valid ticket
must be presented for entrance & to claim
any prize. Need not be present to win. Two

(2) tickets drawn every half hour- \$500.00
each Final ticket drawn– winner gets \$
5000.00

Must be 21 to attend.



WEEKLY READINGS

Sunday 12 Wis 6:12-16
1 Thes 4:13-18
Mt 25:1-13
Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday 13 Wis 1:1-7
Lk 17:1-6
Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Tuesday 14 Wis 2:23-3:9
Lk 17:7-10
Tuesday of the Thirty-second Week in Ordinary Time

Wednesday 15 Wis 6:1-11
Lk 17:11-19
Wednesday of the Thirty-second Week in Ordinary Time

Thursday 16 Wis 7:22b-8:1 Lk 17:20-25
Thursday of the Thirty-second Week in Ordinary Time

Friday 17 Rom 15:14-21
Lk 16:1-8
Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Saturday 18 Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27
Lk 17:26-37
Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

Collection details: Candles \$ 40
1st Collection \$5458 All Saints \$ 98
Parish Project \$ 305 Total
Deposit : \$ 5907

Special Collections
November 19 Campaign for
Human Development
December 10 Retired Religious



KNIGHTS OF
COLUMBUS
AND LADIES
AUXILIARY
#8740



In the beginning
was the word...



Our Lady of Lourdes Liturgy



Bulkheads • Boathouses • Dredging • Boatlifts



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Benefit night tickets are sold after every mass by Mrs. Sallie, Mrs. Kathy & Mrs. Anna, so please buy.

This Sunday after 8:30am Mass we have Benefit night meeting and after this meeting the knights and Ladies Auxiliaries will have their monthly regular meeting

Thanks to all our beloved parishioners, knights and ladies auxiliaries for helping to remove all chairs and tables to clean the floors at parish hall.

Fr. Prabhu thanks everyone for your appreciation, love, prayers, personalized cards and gifts on his birthday. He is very thankful for your kind gesture of your generous love to him.

MASS
INTENTIONS

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 11
4:00 PM
+ BILLU
KENNY
SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 12
8:30 AM
+ JIMMY
O'ROURKE
11:00 AM
+ JIMMY O'ROURKE

TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 14
8:00 AM
OPENING

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 15
8:00 AM
OPENING

THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 16
8:00 AM
OPENING

FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 17
8:00 AM
OPENING

SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 18
4:00 PM
+ BILLY
KENNY

SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 19
8:30 AM
+ JIMMY
O'ROURKE
11:00 AM
+ JIMMY O'ROURKE

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**ENCYCLICAL LETTER FRATELLI TUTTI
OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON FRATERNITY
AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP**

LOCAL AND UNIVERSAL

142. It should be kept in mind that “an innate tension exists between globalization and localization. We need to pay attention to the global so as to avoid narrowness and banality. Yet we also need to look to the local, which keeps our feet on the ground. Together, the two prevent us from falling into one of two extremes. In the first, people get caught up in an abstract, globalized universe... In the other, they turn into a museum of local folklore, a world apart, doomed to doing the same things over and over, incapable of being challenged by novelty or appreciating the beauty which God bestows beyond their borders”.[124] We need to have a global outlook to save ourselves from petty provincialism. When our house stops being a home and starts to become an enclosure, a cell, then the global comes to our rescue, like a “final cause” that draws us towards our fulfilment. At the same time, though, the local has to be eagerly embraced, for it possesses something that the global does not: it is capable of being a leaven, of bringing enrichment, of sparking mechanisms of subsidiarity. Universal fraternity and social friendship are thus two inseparable and equally vital poles in every society. To separate them would be to disfigure each and to create a dangerous polarization.

Foot Note : Address to Participants in the World Meeting of Popular Movements (28 October 2014): AAS 106 (2014), 858.

143. The solution is not an openness that spurns its own richness. Just as there can be no dialogue with “others” without a sense of our own identity, so there can be no openness between peoples except on the basis of love for one’s own land, one’s own people, one’s own cultural roots. I cannot truly encounter another unless I stand on firm foundations, for it is on the basis of these that I can accept the gift the other brings and in turn offer an authentic gift of my own. I can welcome others who are different, and value the unique contribution they have to make, only if I am firmly rooted in my own people and culture. Every- one loves and cares for his or her native land and village, just as they love and care for their home and are personally responsible for its upkeep. The common good likewise requires that we protect and love our native land. Other- wise, the consequences of a disaster in one country will end up affecting the entire planet. All this brings out the positive meaning of the right to property: I care for and cultivate something that I possess, in such a way that it can contribute to the good of all. **Foot Note : [143] Ibid.**

144. It also gives rise to healthy and enriching exchanges. The experience of being raised in a particular place and sharing in a

particular culture gives us insight into aspects of reality that others cannot so easily perceive. Universal does not necessarily mean bland, uniform and standardized, based on a single prevailing cultural model, for this will ultimately lead to the loss of a rich palette of shades and colours, and result in utter monotony. Such was the temptation referred to in the ancient account of the Tower of Babel. The attempt to build a tower that would reach to heaven was not an expression of unity between various peoples speaking to one another from

their diversity. Instead, it was a misguided attempt, born of pride and ambition, to create a unity other than that willed by God in his providential plan for the nations (cf. Gen 11:1-9). **Foot Note : Address to Participants in the World Meeting of Popular Movements (5 November 2016): L’Osservatore Romano, 7-8 November 2016, pp. 4-5.**

145. There can be a false openness to the universal, born of the shallowness of those lacking insight into the genius of their native land or harbouring unresolved resentment towards their own people. Whatever the case, “we constantly have to broaden our horizons and see the greater good which will benefit us all. But this has to be done without evasion or uprooting. We need to sink our roots deeper into the fertile soil and history of our native place, which is a gift of God. We can work on a small scale, in our own neighbourhood, but with a larger perspective... The global need not stifle, nor the particular prove barren”:[125] our model must be that of a polyhedron, in which the value of each individual is respected, where “the whole is greater than the part, but it is also greater than the sum of its parts”.[126]

Foot Note : Ibid.

146. There is a kind of “local” narcissism unrelated to a healthy love of one’s own people and culture. It is born of a certain insecurity and fear of the other that leads to rejection and the desire to erect walls for self-defence. Yet it is impossible to be “local” in a healthy way without being sincerely open to the universal, without feeling challenged by what is happening in other places, without openness to enrichment by other cultures, and without solidarity and concern for the tragedies affecting other peoples. A “local narcissism” instead frets over a limited number of ideas, customs and forms of security; incapable of admiring the vast potential and beauty offered by

the larger world, it lacks an authentic and generous spirit of

solidarity. Life on the local level thus becomes less and less welcoming, people less open to complementarity. Its possibilities for development narrow; it grows weary and infirm. A healthy culture, on the other hand, is open and welcoming by its very nature; indeed, “a culture without

TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ Jesus, In this week’s Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week’s reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens—friends and family members of the bride—to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

As with many of Jesus’ parables, several levels of interpretation are possible. In last week’s Gospel, we heard Jesus warn against following the example of the Pharisees and scribes. If read in the context of early Christianity’s struggle to define itself against Pharisaic Judaism, this parable is a continuing critique of Judaism. It suggests that the Jewish leaders were like the foolish virgins, unprepared to meet Jesus, the bridegroom of Israel.

In the chapter preceding this parable, however, Jesus warns about the destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, today’s parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus’ return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves, Are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit—
Amen

Rev. Prabhu Arockiasamy

Dear People, Please consider donating each week a canned good by placing it in the box in the cry room at the rear of the Church. It will be distributed to DIP people in need through DIP Ministerial Association. For more info please take a copy of the paper that has more details. Thanks for helping our fellow brothers and Sisters in need.

There are a lot of mass openings for your special intentions, if you would faithfully, spiritually, and prayerfully consider praying for those intentions, you’re requested to pray through Mass.

PRAYER LIST

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, , Logan Bow-ers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Anne Davidson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon, Mary Ann Keith, Dennis Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O’Rourke, James M. O’Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little , Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell , Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joey Murphy, Chuck Simmons , Damian Turk, John O’Conner, Fr. Francis J. Sofie Jr , Megan , Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, Kay K Shaw, Lloyd J. Thompson , Ruby P Thompson, George E. Merren, Jr, Flora Decker, Mary Ann Fletcher, Pat McKeough , Mathew Wilson , Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Bea Burton , Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Mark Westbrook, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor Jowe , Nicholas Balch ,Jean Stanley , Colleen O’Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young, Beth Kenny, Chad Gorlett, Angie Beasley

MASS OPENINGS

**November 21 2023—Opening
November 22 2023—Opening
November 23 2023—Opening
November 24 2023—Opening
November 26 2023—Opening
November 28 2023—Opening
November 29 2023—Opening
November 30 2023—Opening**