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was the word...



Our Lady of Lourdes Liturgy Committee

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**MASS
INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 7
4:00 PM
+ARCHBISHOP
OSCAR LIPSCOMB**

**SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 8**

**8:30 AM
ANGIE BEASLEY
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**11:00 AM
FOR PARISHIONERS**

**TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 10
8:00AM
+ CAMERON GOODE**

**WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 11
8:00AM
+ BILL KENNY, SR
(NOT OUR PARISHIONER BUT
HIS FATHER)**

**THURSDAY
NOVEMBER 12
8:00AM
ROBERT CHRISTIAN
HANGEN, JR
SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

**FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 13
8:00AM
+ ANNE PHISTER CHAPMAN**

2020 Collections

Regular & Holy Days Collection

11/01/2020 \$3,203.00

2020 Total Regular Collection
\$157,377.87

Parish Project Collection

11/01/2020 \$40.00

2020 Total Parish Project Collection
\$32,415.00

All Saints Special Collection \$245.00

Knights of Columbus 8740
Boston Butts Benefit.



The Knights of Columbus Council 8740 will be selling tickets for their famous Boston Butts. The cost will be \$35 each and the deadline to buy your ticket(s) is Sunday November 15th. Pickup will be Saturday November 21st from 2pm to 4pm. Contact Grand Knight David Ladnier for more information @ 215-375-4844.

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**OUR LADY OF
LOURDES**
Catholic Parish

NOVEMBER 8, 2020
32ND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR A
CYCLE II

**O God, you are my God;
I earnestly search for
You. My soul thirsts for
you; my whole body
longs for You in this
parched and weary land
where there is no water.**

Ps. 63:1



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Vigil Mass
4:00pm

Sunday
Mass
8:30am & 11:00am

Tuesday
Mass
8:00am

Wednesday
Mass
8:00am

Thursday
Mass
8:00am

Friday
Mass
8:00am

Sacrament of
Reconciliation
Saturday
3:15pm—3:45pm
Or By appointment

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Tuesday and Wednesday
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Bringing Home the Word

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
November 8, 2020

Get Ready

By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

As we near the end of the liturgical year and prepare for Advent, the readings get us ready for the Second Coming of Jesus by addressing our own final encounter with him. The Church summarizes the last realities each person must reflect on: death, judgment, heaven, and hell. In short, when we die, we will face personal judgment. If our response has been to return Jesus' love, the reward will be heaven. But if we reject Jesus, the result will be hell.

This should not be a source of anxiety or fear, but rather faith, serenity, and

hopeful confidence. If we are not quite ready, now is the age of mercy, and God's grace abounds for those who seek it. It is a healthy thing to be prepared and wise. All of us know our final encounter with Jesus at the end of life is coming. It would be foolish to ignore it or not maturely reflect on its implications.

Oil is the natural resource mentioned in the Gospel because without the light and warmth that an oil lamp provided, the guests could get lost in the dark or need to abandon the wait because of the cold. As we journey through this life, awaiting the marriage feast of Jesus, our hearts can get dimmed and icy if we are not lit by the oil of love and the warmth of the Spirit. We don't know the day or the hour when Jesus will come take us into the eternal banquet, but we know for sure that day is coming.

The wise guest is the person fueled by the oil of love and ready for any eventuality. As the Boy Scout motto goes—Be Prepared. +

All of us know our final encounter with Jesus is coming. It would be foolish to ignore it.

Sunday Readings

Wisdom 6:12-16

Resplendent and unfading is Wisdom, and she is ... found by those who seek her

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
or 4:13-14

If we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

Matthew 25:1-13

[Jesus said,] "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

A Word from Pope Francis

The study of the sacred Scriptures must be a door opened to every believer... Evangelization demands familiarity with God's word, which calls for dioceses, parishes, and Catholic associations to provide for a serious, ongoing study of the Bible, while encouraging its prayerful individual and communal reading.

—*Evangelii Gaudium*, November 24, 2013

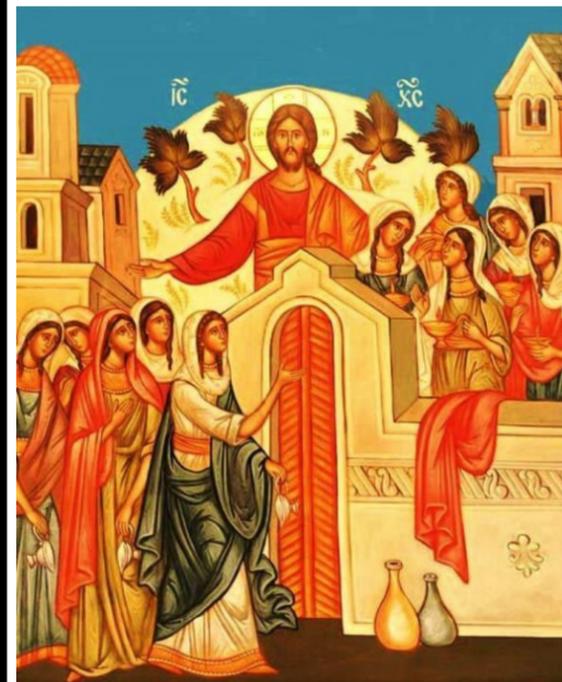


REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- Am I constantly in contact with the mercy of God so I am always ready?
- How am I living now so that I am always prepared for the final encounter with Jesus?

Gospel Commentary

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Jewish weddings took place in the house of the bride's father. The virgins are young unmarried girls, bridesmaids who are in the bride's house waiting for the bridegroom to arrive.

The parable centers on the attitude one should adopt up to the time when the bridegroom comes. In other words, it is not sufficient to know that one is "inside" the Kingdom, that one "belongs" to the Church: one has to be on the watch and be preparing for Christ's coming by doing good works.

Staying awake, in practice, means having the light of faith, which is kept alive with the oil of charity. Commenting on this parable, Pope Francis said:

"there is this "immediate time" between the First and the Final Coming of Christ, and that is the very time in which we are living. The parable of the ten virgins fits into this context of "immediate" time (cf. Mt 25:1-13). They are ten maidens who are awaiting the arrival of the Bridegroom, but he is late and they fall asleep. At the sudden announcement that the Bridegroom is arriving they prepare to welcome him, but while five of them, who are wise, have oil to burn in their lamps, the others, who are foolish, are left with lamps that have gone out because they have no oil

for them. While they go to get some oil the Bridegroom arrives and the foolish virgins find that the door to the hall of the marriage feast is shut.

They knock on it again and again, but it is now too late, the Bridegroom answers: I do not know you. The Bridegroom is the Lord, and the time of waiting for his arrival is the time he gives to us, to all of us, before his Final Coming with mercy and patience; it is a time of watchfulness; a time in which we must keep alight the lamps of faith, hope and charity, a time in which to keep our heart open to goodness, beauty and truth. It is a time to live in accordance with God, because we do not know either the day or the hour of Christ's return. What he asks of us is to be ready for the encounter — ready for an encounter, for a beautiful encounter, the encounter with Jesus, which means being able to see the signs of his presence, keeping our faith alive with prayer, with the sacraments, and taking care not to fall asleep so as to not forget about God. The life of slumbering Christians is a sad life, it is not a happy life. Christians must be happy, with the joy of Jesus. Let us not fall asleep!"

-General Audience, 24 April 2013

This vigilance should be continuous and untiring, because the devil is always after us, prowling around "like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour" (1 Pet 5:8).

As St. Augustine teaches "Watch with the heart, watch with faith, watch with love, watch with charity, watch with good works...; make ready the lamps, make sure they do not go out ...; renew them with the inner oil of an upright conscience; then shall the Bridegroom enfold you in the embrace of his love and bring you into his banquet room, where your lamp can never be extinguished" (Sermon, 93)."

We do not want to hear from Our Lord those words: "Amen, I say to you, I do not know you." While there is time, there is hope. Our Lord in his bountiful mercy, continually seeks us out and gives us the opportunity to mend our ways.

Let us then ask God, through the intercession of Our Lady, Gate of heaven, refuge of sinners, Help of Christians, for the grace of conversion so as to live our life in loving vigilance with the light of our faith and the oil of charity, so as to be ready to meet the Bridegroom when He comes. May we tell our Lord with good deeds of faith and charity: "My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God (Psalm 62)."

Translating the Message

By Johan van Parys

My nieces and nephews are great kids—intelligent and kind—and I'm proud to be their uncle. Still, I regret their lack of participation in the life of the Church. From what other parishioners tell me, this is happening all around, not just in my family. Why are we losing so many young people? Why doesn't the Gospel message get through to them?

This issue of the best way to communicate the Gospel can be traced back to the apostles. Think about our Church's beginning—the time of Pentecost. Outside the Upper Room, I imagine great festivity as people from many regions and nations gathered in Jerusalem. Inside the Upper Room, the apostles were hiding, burdened with fear and uncertainty. Then suddenly everything changed. Inspired by the Holy Spirit, the apostles overcame their fear and burst into the street. The sight of the apostles, on fire with the Spirit as they spoke about God's marvelous deeds, must have quieted the crowd. Miraculously, everyone was able to understand them despite ethnic differences and linguistic barriers.

The apostles presented the Gospel truth in different languages through various channels.



From Jerusalem, the apostles spread throughout the world proclaiming the Good News to every nation known to humankind. They succeeded because they presented the Gospel truth in different languages through various channels.

Successful missionary activity has always relied on the translation of the one and true message into the vernacular and familiar idioms of the people receiving the message. The failures of the seventeenth- and eighteenth-century mission attempts in China were attributed to the Church's refusal to allow a Chinese Catholic rite that would have included "baptismal" pre-Christian theological language and accommodated ancestor worship, which was very dear

to them. On the flip side, the success of the Church's mission in Central Africa has been ascribed to the introduction of a Congolese rite that considers the ethos of Central Africa and allows typical African modes of celebration.

As we preach the Gospel in our current, ever-changing reality, we can do one of two things: turn inward and hide in a romanticized understanding of our perceived glorious past, or find new ways to preach the Gospel. The first option might prove disastrous as the Church continues to crumble. The second, though not easy, offers hope—and the promise of a Church ever new and true.

Let us listen carefully to the spiritual needs of our people, learn to understand and speak their languages, and use their idioms wisely to spread the Good News. Let us pray for the knowledge and courage to do what needs to be done.

Finally, let us pray for the safe return of loved ones whose journeys have led them away from our Church. +

PRAYER

Lord, I am grateful for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Help me to keep awake to the movement of your Spirit in my life.

—From *Grateful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

WEEKDAY READINGS

November 9–14

Monday, Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Rome): Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12 / 1 Cor 3:9c–11, 16–17 / Jn 2:13–22

Tuesday, St. Leo the Great: Ti 2:1–8, 11–14 / Lk 17:7–10

Wednesday, St. Martin of Tours: Ti 3:1–7 / Lk 17:11–19

Thursday, St. Josaphat: Phmn 7–20 / Lk 17:20–25

Friday, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini: 2 Jn 4–9 / Lk 17:26–37

Saturday, Weekday: 3 Jn 5–8 / Lk 18:1–8

Entrance: Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home;
All is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker, doth provide for our want to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field, fruit unto His praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown, unto joy or sorrow grown.
First the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.



Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
We give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
Have mercy on us;
You take away the sins of the world,
Receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
Have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God the Father, Amen.
Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

First Reading: Wisdom 6: 12-16

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom,
and she is readily perceived by those who love her,
and found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire;
Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed,
for he shall find her sitting by his gate.
For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence,
and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care;
because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her,
and graciously appears to them in the ways,
and meets them with all solicitude.



Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 63: 2,3-4, 5-6, 7-8

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God whom I seek;
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.
R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary
to see your power and your glory,
For your kindness is a greater good than life;
my lips shall glorify you.
R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Thus will I bless you while I live;
lifting up my hands, I will call upon your name.
As with the riches of a banquet shall my soul be satisfied,
and with exultant lips my mouth shall praise you.
R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

I will remember you upon my couch,
and through the night-watches I will meditate on you:
You are my help,
and in the shadow of your wings I shout for joy.
R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Bringing Home the Word 

November 8, 2020

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Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42A, 44

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Stay awake and be ready!
For you do not know on what day your Lord will come.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-13

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

"The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom.

Five of them were foolish and five were wise.

The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them,

but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps.

Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

At midnight, there was a cry,

'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!'

Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps.

The foolish ones said to the wise,

'Give us some of your oil,

for our lamps are going out.'

But the wise ones replied,

'No, for there may not be enough for us and you.

Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.'

While they went off to buy it,

the bridegroom came

and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him.

Then the door was locked.

Afterwards the other virgins came and said,

'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!'

But he said in reply,

'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'

Therefore, stay awake,

for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,

The Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth,

Of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,

The Only Begotten Son of God,

Born of the Father before all ages.

God from God,

Light from Light,

True God from True God,

Begotten, not made,

Consubstantial with the Father,

Through Him all things were made,

For us men and for our salvation

He came down from heaven,

And by the Holy Spirit

Was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,

And became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,

He suffered death and was buried,

And rose again on the third day

In accordance with the scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated

At the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory

To judge the living and the dead

And His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,

The giver life, who proceeds from

The Father and the Son,

Who with the Father and the Son

Is adored and glorified,

Who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic

And apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism

For the forgiveness of sins

And I look forward to the resurrection

Of the dead

And the life of the world to come.

Amen.

Presentation Hymn: My Soul Is Thirsting

Refrain

My soul is thirsting, my body pines; for You my heart is longing.

Your love is better than life itself; you are the God who upholds me.

You are the God Whom I seek.

Like a dry weary land without water, so my flesh pines for You;

parched and lifeless is my spirit without You.

Refrain

I will bless You as long as I live; I will sing songs of praise.

In Your presence I will feast and be filled.

Refrain

In the watches of night, I remember; You, my God, You my help.

In the shadow of Your wings I rejoice.

Refrain

Communion Hymn: Shepherd Of Souls

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless thy chosen pilgrim flock,
with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock.

Hungry and thirsty, faint and weak, as thou when here below,
our souls the joys celestial seek which from Thy sorrows flow.

We would not live by bread alone, but by that word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on to our abiding place.

Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.

Lord, sup with us in love divine; Thy body and Thy blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.

Sending Forth: In The Day Of The Lord

Refrain

In the day of the Lord, the sun will shine like the dawn of eternal day.

All creation will rise to dance and sing the glory of the Lord!

And on that day will justice triumph, on that day will all be free:

free from want, free from fear, free to live!

Refrain

Then shall the nations throng together to the mountain of the Lord:

they shall walk in the light of the Lord!

Refrain



Prayer List

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Eddie Booth Sr., Logan Bowers, Clement Boney, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Bob Cooper, Anita Cowart, Lemuel Dickinson, Daniel Dorriety, Marquitta Dukes, John Dumas, Dodie Dumas, Johnny Finch, Louise Frontz, Tim Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon, Ginny Johnston, Billy Kenny, MaryAnn Keith, Dennis Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Nancy Klooz, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Shirly McDonald, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Glenda Pose, Glenda Palmer, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Dorothy Sanchez, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Larry Snow, Tootie Spikes, 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, Susan Witt, Bobby Zarate.

Special Intentions

Keith & Diana Holifield, Ken Kleinschrodt, Cheryl Stewart,

(If you have Special Intentions you would like listed here (your name) and remembered in prayer, please email the church office or write a note and place it in collection basket)