

# Christ Our Light Catholic Church

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## **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

### **Monday-Thursday**

9:15am - noon & 1:00pm - 5:00pm

**Friday 9:15am- noon**

Other times by appointment

**Website: [www.christourlight.org](http://www.christourlight.org)**

## **PASTORAL STAFF**

Pastor Rev. Elias Lopéz

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## **SUNDAY EUCHARIST**

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: (English) 8:00am

Sunday: (Spanish) 1:00pm

## **WEEKDAY EUCHARIST**

First Saturday 9am

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:30am

Tuesday 6:00pm (English)

Thursday 6:00pm (Spanish)

## **ROSARY PRAYED IN COMMON**

Tuesday & Thursday: 5:40pm

Wednesday & Friday: 8:10am

Saturday: 5:15pm

Sunday: 7:15am & 12:15pm

## **RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION**

Tuesday, Thursday and

2nd & 4th Saturdays 5:00-5:45pm

and by appointment 936-825-3920

## **RECONCILIACION/CONFESIONES**

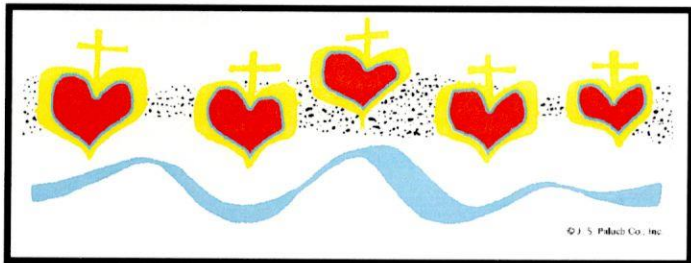
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segundo y cuarto sábado a las 5:00-5:45pm

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**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time : November 15, 2020**





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Blessed are you who fear the Lord.  
—Psalm 128:1a

### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Every 1st weekend of the month (Saturday Vigil and Sunday Masses) blessing of all who have a birthday or Wedding Anniversary during the

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to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially in our Archdiocese.

### MEMORIALIZING THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

If you are interested in memorializing the Sanctuary candle, in memory of, in personal reverence and petition or Special Intention for the week, stop by the parish office for more information.

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### SIGN UP NOW

Sign Up for Christ Our Light  
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Christ Our Light now accepts online giving. Parish Soft is our parish's online giving program. Enroll at the link below. It is secure and easy to use. You will be able to use Parish Soft for normal tithing and special collections throughout the year. Apps are available, so your cell phones/tablets can be used for online giving.

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/dl?uid=chri510191>

### **CELEBREMOS/LET US CELEBRATE MISSALETES**

Missalette's starting August 9th to November 28, 2020 are available to purchase for \$5.00. Do not leave them in Church. Take them home with you, bring with you each weekday or weekend Masses you will be attending.

### MONTHLY REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASSES

Refreshment will be served after Masses the first Sunday of each month. The refreshments and service will be provided by the following:

Altar Society—January and July  
Pastoral Council—February and October  
Finance Council—March and September  
R.E. Board—April and August  
Stewardship—May and November  
Choir—June and December

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time** — *"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities."* -Matthew 25:21 God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us.

### Boletín de Mayordomía—Reflexiones

**33º domingo del tiempo ordinario** — *"Bien hecho, mi buen y fiel servidor. Como has sido fiel en los pequeños asuntos, te daré grandes responsabilidades."* Mateo 25:21 Dios nos llama a nutrir y desarrollar los dones que nos ha dado y luego devolver generosamente una porción con aumento. No quiere que desperdiciemos ni acumulemos los dones que nos ha dado. Él espera que hagamos crecer nuestros dones, que los usemos sabiamente y seamos generosos con ellos. Desafortunadamente, muchos de nosotros no somos generosos en proporción a todo lo que Dios nos ha dado.

**LIVING PRAYER** — Who prays as they ought will Endeavor to live as they pray. — Anonymous

**ORACIÓ VIVA** — Quien reza como debe podrá vivir como reza — Anónimo

### Words Worth Noting

While I take inspiration from the past, like most Americans, I live for the future.  
—Ronald Reagan





## BAZAAR APPRECIATION DINNER FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS

**Will be held on Sunday, November 15th at 4:30 PM at the Church. The meat and drinks will be provided. Each family is asked to bring a side dish.**

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**Thanksgiving is just around the corner and Christ Our Light will be delivering meals to those in need on Thanksgiving Day. We are called to live the corporal works of mercy by feeding the hungry and giving drink to the thirsty. In the Narthex of the church you will find a sign up sheet to bring food items that we will need to make this happen. Last year we delivered almost 250 plates to people in Navasota and the surrounding area. We would not be able to do this without your help. Thank you for your generosity and help.**

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**CCE NEWS:** We are asking that more parents get involved with their child's Religious Education by becoming an aid/assistant in the classroom. We are still looking for aids for the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Even if you don't have a child attending classes please consider helping to educate our students. All are welcome!

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### CHANGE OUR LIVES

The letters of Paul to the Thessalonians are among his earliest writings, and are driven by his belief and the belief of the entire early Christian community that the return of Christ was imminent, and that devoting time or attention to anything else was foolish.

As time progressed, this fervor subsided a bit. Today we may wonder, when we hear these readings about the coming end-times, if we should take them to heart, if we really believe that Christ still may come upon us as a "thief at night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2). Does this mean that we are to stop our long-range goal-setting, get rid of our yearly calendars and planners, or stop putting money in the college education fund? Of course not. What it does mean is that we need to change our lives, living like children of the light and illuminating the world around us with the light of the gospel. Then, on that day, when the details of our daily living become unimportant, we will be ready to find our peace and security in Christ Jesus.

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### CAMBIA NUESTRAS VIDAS

Las cartas de Pablo a los tesalonicenses están entre sus primeros escritos movidos por su creencia, y la creencia de la comunidad de la Iglesia joven, de que el retorno de Cristo era inminente, y que dedicar tiempo y atención a otras cosas era tontería.

Con el paso del tiempo este fervor disminuyó un poco. Hoy, cuando escuchamos sobre la llegada del fin de los tiempos, podemos preguntarnos si la tenemos que tomar en serio, si es que realmente creemos que Cristo todavía puede venir por nosotros como "un ladrón en la noche" (1 Tesalonicenses 5:2).

¿Significa esto que debemos ponerle un paro a establecer metas a largo plazo, despojarnos de nuestros calendarios y agendas anuales, dejar de ahorrar para una educación universitaria? Por supuesto que no. Lo que significa es que necesitamos cambiar nuestra vida, vivir como hijos de la luz e ir iluminando el mundo que nos rodea con la luz del Evangelio. Entonces, en aquel día, cuando los detalles de nuestra vida diaria se tornen poco importantes, estaremos listos para encontrar nuestra paz y seguridad en Cristo Jesús.

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November 15, 2020

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 | 1 Thes 5:1-6 | Mt 25:14-30

### **GROW AS A DISCIPLE** | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I'm bemused by the servant in today's Gospel who basically buries the single talent that was entrusted to him. (A talent was an ancient measuring unit of weight for silver and gold.) Meanwhile, the other two wisely invested the talents entrusted to them, and doubled their money. Building on last week's Gospel which showed those who were prepared to meet the bridegroom were invited into the wedding feast, this parable challenges us to realize that the invitation to the feast is the beginning, not the end. We are not to rest comfortably with what we have been given – the gift of faith – but to invest in the Kingdom, and to build on that gift of faith. For example, we may have a palpable experience of God's presence at a retreat or through Eucharistic adoration. However, if that goes no further than being buried as a memory or feel-good experience, we are no better than the wicked, lazy servant. Faith is a gift intended to be put into practice and shared. When we invest in it through the sacraments, serving others, and reading the Scriptures, our faith will continue to grow.

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

So, I'm a bit of a hoarder. I cling to mementoes of days past, whether it's my son's first plastic Playskool vacuum (sold at a garage sale by my husband, but that's another story), a book given to me by a friend, or a treasured letter. I admit I relate to the servant who buried his money for fear he'd lose it. Sometimes I think I cling to memories – relationships and experiences that are important to me – and fail to invest in what makes those memories valuable. A similar dynamic can happen with our faith and our friendship with Jesus. We can go through the motions without giving it much thought. Today's Gospel challenges us to seek opportunities to grow in our faith and “make new memories” with Jesus – to invest in building the kingdom of God, whether that's inviting a friend to Mass, returning to the Eucharist ourselves, or spending more time with Scripture. By putting our faith into action in this way, we cannot only grow in our faith, but invite others to come along with us on the journey.

**ENCOUNTER** Find a Eucharistic adoration chapel near you and spend some time with Christ. Thank Jesus for the blessings in your life. Bring him your needs. Ask Jesus to give you his grace that you might grow in union with him.





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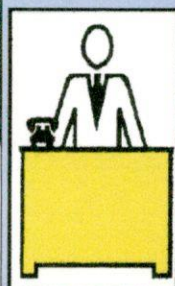
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