

# ASCENSION OF OUR LORD CATHOLIC CHURCH

-- ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD --

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 19, 2023

## MASS SCHEDULE

Masses are currently being held in the St. Dominic Savio Center to the right of the school.

#### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday	(Vigil) 4:00pm
Sunday	. 8:30am, 10:30am, 7:00pm
_	(Spanish) 3:00pm

#### **DAILY MASS**

Monday - Friday..... 8:30am

#### **CONFESSIONS**

One half hour before each Mass daily and Sundays.

#### PERPETUAL ADORATION

**CHAPEL** - Currently open every day 9:00am - 9:00pm.

## OUR CLERGY

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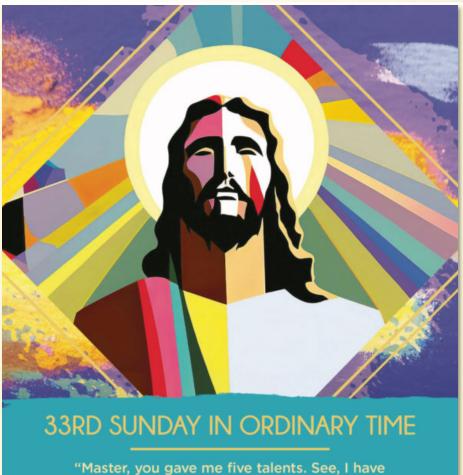
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"Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more." - Mt 25:20

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### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

God entrusts special gifts to each of us, but they are not gifts to be hoarded and hidden. Let's work each and every day to multiply those gifts in the world. ©LPi

## **NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

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### **MASS INTENTIONS**

## Monday, November 20

8:30 am Ken Fisher

Tuesday, November 21 • The Presentation of the Blessed **Virgin Mary** 

8:30 am Gene Fryoux, Jr.

Wednesday, November 22 • St. Cecilia

8:30 am Special Intention

Thursday, November 23 • St. Clement I • St. Columban • Bl. Miguel Agustin **Pro • Thanksgiving Day** 

8:30 am Norman & Verna Millet, Rosalind M. Hutson, Deborah Acosta,

Jessica Fournet

#### Friday, November 24 • St. St. Andrew Düng-Lac and Companions

8:30 am David Snyder

#### Saturday, November 25 • St. Catherine of Alexandria

Melancon & Fisher Families, Grady Duff, Jr., Scott Duff, Special 4:00 pm

> Intention, Dan Guidry, Gregory Hymel, EJ & Edna Guidry, Conrad & Betty Hymel, Marilyn Torres, Ellis Torres, David Snyder, John Snyder, Sr., Nelson Madere, Babies' Souls, Special

Intention, Tommy Duhe, Sr., Brent Waguespack

#### Sunday, November 26 • Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Karen Angelo, Doris Beadle, Lester Savoie, Maxie, Max, & Mary 8:30 am

Lee, Babies' Souls, Victims of war & violence, Special Intention,

David Snyder, Dorothy Anne Buckley, Eula McMurry

10:30 am Emanuel, Elma, & Doug Sicard

3:00 pm (en espanol) John Ebanks, Sr., John Ebanks, Jr., Maria Teresa

Sosa, Our Parishioners

7:00 pm Rory & Jourdan Growl

## Visit and arish.org to make your Mass Request online.

#### VIGIL LIGHT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Living & Deceased members of the Guidry & Hymel Families

#### **CHAPEL CANDLES BURN THIS WEEK FOR**

In memory of Martin, Valure, & Frost Families



## Invite a friend to Mass next week.



## **REFLECT - QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

#### First Reading

Proverbs describes the ideal wife who runs her household with wisdom and grace. How would you describe your household growing up?

### Second Reading

Paul reminds the Thessalonians to stay alert and sober for the day when the Lord Jesus will return. Why do you think the date of this event is hidden from us?

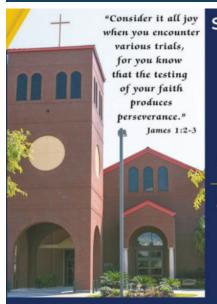
Jesus teaches about the importance of using our God-given gifts faithfully and prudently in the parable of the talents. What gifts have you used well in your life? ©LPi



IN MEMORY of ME



## AROUND OUR CHURCH & OUR COMMUNITY



## SAVE THE DATE



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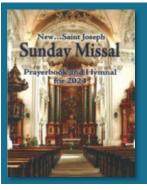
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The 2024 St. Joseph Missals are available for purchase at the Parish Office during regular business hours. The cost is \$5.00 each.

## 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## PARISH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Wednesday, November 22

Parish Office closes at 12:00 noon

Thursday, November 23 • Thanksgiving Day

Parish Office Closed

Friday, November 24

Parish Office Closed

9:00am Soldiers for Christ Prayer Group - Savio Center

Saturday, November 25 & Sunday, November 26 • Team 4



The Parish Office will close at noon on Wednesday, Nov. 22nd and will be closed on Thursday, Nov. 23rd & Friday, Nov. 24th.

## Kids Corner

#### Prayer

God, help me to use my time, my money and my special talents for you.

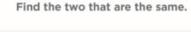
#### Mission for the Week

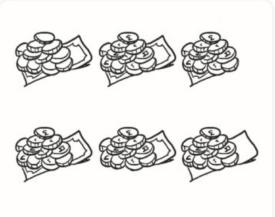
God has given your family money. Use some of it to buy food for a needy family.

#### Sharing the Gospel

You can choose to waste your time, your money and your special talents. You can be selfish with them, too. Or, you can use those gifts from God to spread good news about Jesus. When you choose to use your gifts for God, and he will fill your heart with joy.

Now color the picture!







## PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL



ADORERS ARE NEEDED!!

The Adoration Chapel is open every day from 9:00am to 9:00pm.

"He remains among us until the end of the world."

Go to your Adoration as one would to heaven, to the divine banquet.

## **SACRAMENTS**

BAPTISMS: Baptismal seminars are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Parish Office at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to pre-register.

WEDDINGS: Couples must contact the priest at least six months prior to the preferred date of the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call the Parish Office at 985-652-2615.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: To be added to the list, please call the Parish Office.

FUNERALS: Family must make arrangements with the priest prior to making final arrangements with the funeral home.

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## **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

## ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING

OF SCRIPTURE - Father John Muir
When I was a kid, I hated playing Monopoly because my

when I was a kid, I hated playing Monopoly because my siblings and friends always seemed to win. But worse was how it happened. Scared to risk my fake money on buying properties, I'd hold on to it. My opponents hungrily bought up the various real estate squares on the board. Then, inevitably, my poor, low-equity self would land on their spots, pay them rent, and my money would drain to zero. It seemed so unfair. The rich get richer, and the poor get poorer. I had to learn that monopoly money is meant to be spent. I was scared to lose some of it. So, I lost all of it.

How do we see what we possess? Jesus' parable about the talents is not really about economics but about the investability of everything he entrusts to us. How marvelous that everyone in the fable who places talents in the open market doubles their investment. The only one who doesn't is the man who fearfully buries his one talent. Jesus' success strategy for us seems to be, whatever we have, *get it out of our possession*. Risk it as quickly and as fully as we can.

You and I have precious gifts. We have valuable things to invest — time, talents, treasure. The Lord invites us to be brave and even somewhat reckless, to give as much away as possible. If we give it away in the direction of love and truth, it will grow. If we hold on to it in fear, the little we have will be taken away. Let me challenge you this week: find something in your life you're holding on to, and risk it by giving it away. It won't double if you hold on to it. ©LPi



## CATHOLIC

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS By: Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

#### What Remains

When my grandfather died, my parents, siblings, and I were left with the question: what's to become of the house?

Anyone who has inherited property knows that it's not simply a matter of assuming ownership of a plot of land upon which sits four walls and a roof. Those four walls and a roof usually contain memories and objects — an enormous volume of both, in the case of my grandfather. When they're left to you, you have to sift through them, the memories and the objects, and with each one you have to think: *Is it worth it? Do I keep it? Will I need it?* 

And slowly, painfully, you disassemble the physical existence of the person who lived here. You accept, with a pang, that most of it must be given away or discarded. You cry when you bag up the clothes to take to Goodwill. You can't even bear to look when they break the piano into a hundred pieces and throw it in a dumpster, realizing that no one wants or has a use for something that was once so precious.

But when you come upon a rosary that was used so many times it has begun to fall apart, you don't even think twice before keeping it, and not because you need the rosary. You need what it means. You need what it reminds you of.

When all is said and done, each of us will be called before our master to settle accounts, just as my grandfather was.

"Where are the gifts I gave you? What remains of the fortune to which I entrusted you?" he will ask us. "What have you done with the peace? What have you done with the love? What have you done with the mercy?"

"You yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night." - 1 Thessalonians 5:2

## LIVING OUR FAITH

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)/

1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150,

155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/Lk 19:11-28 Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44 Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a,

12bcd/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/

1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46 ©LPi



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