

St. Cornelius Parish

SUNDAY BULLETIN

November 19, 2023



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St. Cornelius Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Friday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm Noon

Saturday: Confessions 2:30 - 3:30 Vigil Mass 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 4:00 pm

Weekday Mass: 7:30 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday's after morning Mass to 4 pm

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Thoughts from the Second Floor Front XXXIII Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 19, 2023

As we listen to the words of scripture this weekend the sacred authors are weighing in on the final things. It is appropriate that we have this theme of the end times in that we are coming to the end of the liturgical year.

There is an urgency to the readings today especially the excerpt from St. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians and Matthew 25. Catholics rarely speak about the end times. Unlike our more fundamentalist brothers and sisters, we do not ignore the topic but we lack a fixation that is often more prominent with others. Our focus is not on the *tunc* (then) but on the *nunc* (now). Paul admonishes the members of the community in Thessalonica to "stay sober and alert." In other words watch for the opportunities that come to you today to live the gospel message that you have received and embraced. Do not wait for tomorrow. We are to be active on behalf of the Kingdom. Thus, the story from chapter 25 of Matthew's gospel.

The first two servants are credited with their activity on behalf of their master's interest and because of that they are rewarded. The passivity of the third servant seems docile enough but therein lies the lesson on discipleship. The third servant's passivity is not benign at all. Because of it, he is culpable of precisely being inactive, unresponsive to the master's wishes. In our own discipleship the presumption must be that we "firstly do no harm." *Primum non nocere* which is part of the Hippocratic Oath. The presumption is that we will not hurt another. But that does not let us out of our responsibility *for* the other. Think of what we say when we stand at the beginning of each Mass and recite the Confiteor: "I confess ... that I have greatly sinned ... in what I have done and in what I have not done...? We are referring to the significance of our sins of commission and sins of omission.

We are on the threshold of the Thanksgiving holidays and then the sacred season of Advent. The temptation to amass the holidays into one long celebration has crept into our culture. It is as if we are trying to live in continual holiday mode. One of my regular practices is to go into my twin sister's house for dinner on Saturday or Sunday or both. In anticipation of Halloween, more than a few of her neighbors set up Halloween decorations. This included at least three houses "decorated" (and I use the word very loosely.) with a thirty-five-foot skeleton on their front lawns. On my weekly visit last weekend, the skeletons were still on the front lawns, but there was something different. Now the skeletons were wearing a Santa Claus outfit. Evidently nothing says Christmas like a Santa Skeleton.

In preparations for the season, stay true to faith and not yield to culture. It is a challenge. But then again, the Gospel itself is an invitation and a challenge. Jesus commends the two servants because they served properly. The third servant was condemned because that servant lacked the willingness to risk the security assumed to be in the small talent given for that servant's use.

The penultimate statement by Jesus concerning the talents appears enigmatic: "to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away." That is the great reality largely ignored or rejected by those who do not give of themselves. When we give, freely, frequently and fully we receive back much more than we offer. There is nothing this world can offer compared to the sense of fullness and satisfaction of giving oneself to another. That is what relationships are all about. Whether it is friendship or marriage or family or one's work or vocation or avocation.

Our lives only make sense when we live for another.

Giving of oneself does not lessen the individual. The gift of giving makes one grow; in love, in charity, in altruism, in discipleship, in Grace. Leaving church today we press on to a full week. A week full of Grace and goodness in which we can collaborate with God's plan for us and those we love.

Faithfully,

Msgr. Diamond

Sponsored by the Office of Consecrated Life

ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION
THEME: THE O ANTIPHONS

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 16, 2023

- 9:00 a.m.** Morning Gathering
Coffee/sweet breads
Drexel Hall for conferences and meal
Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul
18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Pkwy
- 10:00 a.m.** Conference - Mother Maria
Catherine, PVMI
- 11:00 a.m.** Quiet time in Cathedral
Chapel or Main Church
- 11:30 a.m.** Confessions (Cathedral)
- 12:05 p.m. Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
(Chapel)
- 12:45 p.m.** Lunch (Drexel Hall)
- 1:45 p.m.** Conference - Mother Maria
Catherine, PVMI
- 2:30 p.m.** Exposition with Benediction
(Chapel)
- 3:30 p.m.** Retreat Day Concludes

All are
Welcome!

Parking Available; Free Will donation
RSVP: sr.gbraccio@archphila.org or
215-587-3795



St. Cornelius Giving Tree

The 2023 Saint Cornelius "Giving Tree" will continue to extend its branches to reach those in need this Christmas season. This ministry benefits hundreds who need assistance. The Giving Tree will be set up in the Narthex by Saturday, November 11th.

Every registered parish family will receive a letter the week of Nov. 6th detailing this year's Giving Tree ministry and an envelope will be provided to return gift cards. We are predominantly asking for Gift Cards; please write the dollar amount of the gift card directly on the gift card. Gift cards can be 1) dropped in the Snowman in the Church Narthex, 2) dropped in the Music Room mail slot in the Narthex, 3) mailed to the Parish Life Center (PLC at 160 Ridge Rd, Chadds Ford, PA 19317), or 4) dropped in the PLC mail slot at the building entrance door. Also, this year the Giving Tree will have about **150 gift tags** asking for specific gifts for St. Thomas Aquinas.

These seven charities which our Parish supports are in great need and your kindness and generosity will help to provide food, clothing, and Christmas gifts for these good people:

- Catholic Social Services of Delaware County in Chester
- Mothers with children sheltered at Mary, Mother of Hope House III in Wilmington
- Mothers with babies living at Mothers' Home in Darby
- Three schools / outreach centers at St. Ignatius Parish, St. Thomas Aquinas Parish and St. Peter the Apostle Parish, all in Philadelphia.
- Saint Cornelius Ministry of Caring aiding those in our own community.

All gift cards must be dropped off at Church or the PLC by **Sunday, December 10th** to allow time for delivery to the recipients. If purchasing a new gift as indicated on the gift tag, put the item in a gift bag (please do not wrap the gift), attach the tag securely to the gift bag, and place the gift under the Giving Tree by **December 10th**.

It is through our charitable actions that we create a legacy that inspires others, for it is more of a blessing to give than to receive.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering for this ministry please contact Mary Allen at 484-432-5098 (cell) or email maryballen16@verizon.net.

St. Cornelius Church
12th Annual Thanksgiving Drive
To benefit
Mercy Neighborhood Ministries

The Mission of Mercy Neighborhood Ministries of Philadelphia, Inc. is to create partnerships and services that respond to the needs of those who are poor in the North Philadelphia community, especially women, children and persons with special needs.



Interested in community outreach ministries,
 please call:

Jean Burke (610) 220-6646 or
Nancy Todor (609) 234-1193

Donations will be collected the weekend of
November 18th & 19th!!

SUGGESTED NON-PERISHABLE DONATIONS

Canned vegetables	Muffin mix
Instant potatoes	Canned cranberry sauce
Turkey gravy	Low sugar breakfast cereal
Stuffing mix	Instant pudding
Goya beans	Unbreakable juice bottles

Please bring donations to the PLC
(Parish Life Center)
PRIOR to ANY Mass.

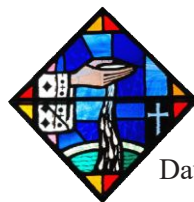
NOTE: Should you wish to contribute toward the perishables necessary for the baskets, please donate cash or a gift card to Shop Rite which is the only market located near the Mercy Neighborhood Ministry.

May God bless you for your generosity!

Welcome to the Parish!



Daniel and Janice Serpico



Baptisms

Baptized in Christ

Ava Kathleen Luskin

Daughter of Andrew and Kristina Luskin

Sloane O'Donnell

Daughter of Kyle and Ashleigh O'Donnell

Addison Rowe

Daughter of Patrick Rowe and Britney Dragoni

Let us pray for our newly baptized Christians.

Knights of Columbus

Council #12391



The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others and defend values in a busy changing world. The St Cornelius Council #12391 will be holding a membership drive after all Masses on the weekend of December 4-5th. The Knights will be available after all Masses to answer any questions about the Knights and the projects we support during the year. As a member of our Council you will find that Knights of Columbus membership brings Catholic men together in a powerful way.

You may join at any time by going to KofC.org/joinus on the web, enter our council #12391 and your information.

Holy Hour - Join Us!

Monday, December 4, 8:00 am

After the 7:30 Mass, the Pro-Life Group is hosting a Holy Hour. We will pray a rosary for the unborn, and an end to abortion. We will also pray the Miraculous Medal Novena for the unborn. There will be time for silent prayer. The hour will close at approximately 9:00 am.

Look for this event monthly on the first Monday of the month.





WeShare Online Giving

Online Giving is an easy and convenient way to save time and support St. Cornelius Parish. Donating is **simple**, **safe**, and completely **secure**.

With **WeShare**, you can set up a recurring weekly or monthly transaction using your checking, savings, or credit card account. You can decide how much to give to the offertory and make changes any time, day or night. Plus, you can leave your checkbook at home on Sundays.

If you would like to enroll in Online Giving, please visit

<https://saintcornelius.weshareonline.org>

If you have any questions or concerns about the program or would like help setting up your account, please call our parish office at (610) 459-2502.



WeShare accepts the following means of contributing
debit card • credit card • checking & savings account

*Let us pray for our Men and Women
serving in the Armed Forces. Especially for:*

SSG Ana Brunal
SPC Mike Canfield
Cpl Michael Castle
Lt. Connor Cleary
Fr. Joseph Coffey (Chaplain)
Maj Robert B. Cusick, Jr.
Capt Joshua deFreitas
SSGT Michael DiVernieri
Cadet Emily Fanning
Lt. Ryan Gallagher
2nd Lt. Nicholas Gallagher
SSG. Eric Gardner
Capt Matthew Gibbons
Ens Patrick Gibbons
Ens John Paul Gibbons
Maj Rachel Gonzalez
SPC Logan Hannum
Sgt Andrew Hart
Devin J. Hunt
PO1 Nathan R. Keller
1st Lt Lauren Kinnee
Capt Daniel Kohli
Maj. Chris Love
Maj. Megan Love

Sgt Jason Lyons
2nd Lt. Kevin Malone
Sgt Alexander Marlow
Pfc Zachary Marlow
Lt. Cmdr Daniel McCadden
CSM Sean McGlensey
Capt Jonathan McGrath
LT Molly K. McGuckin
LCDR Ryan A. McGuckin
Maj. Sean P. Noll
Lt. Col Brian J. O'Shea
Lt. Cmdr Inga O'Shea
Maj James O'Shea
PFC L Roland
LTJG Christian Samulewicz
2nd Lt. Olivia Samulewicz
Capt. Neal F. Schubert
HM3 Charles Schwartz
Ens Nicholas Spadaccini
MSG Thomas Stone
Cpl Mark Truex
Lt. Christopher Vish
Capt. Aidan Walsh
Capt Jennifer Wynn



The Sunday collection is very important for us to maintain our fiscal responsibilities. So, if you are away on a Sunday, *ENJOY*; but remember *YOUR* church.

November 12, 2023

WeShare eGiving	\$8,017.50
Envelope Offering	<u>\$12,911.00</u>
	\$20,928.50

*The November 5 Offertory was under reported by \$2795.
The actual total offertory was \$28,352.50.*



*"For where your treasure is,
there also will your heart be."*

Luke 12:34



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Our patron saint is Saint Joseph the Worker. Our mission calls upon the intercession of Saint Joseph the Worker, a simple carpenter who reminds us of the importance of stillness, reflection, and prayer.

Young Catholic Professionals mission is to challenge, train, and inspire young adults working in various professional careers to work in witness for Christ. For more information go to our local Philadelphia website at

www.ycppphiladelphia.org/cpages/home



**Caring
for Friends™**

"Help provide home cooked meals to neighbors in need! Caring for Friends (formerly Aid for Friends) is collecting frozen meals and soups for homebound seniors and food insecure individuals. Meal trays and soup containers can be found in the utility closet on the right of the side door of the narthex. Consider putting aside an extra dinner or soup portion, freeze it and then bring it to the freezer also located in the utility closet. PLEASE sign the meals and soup in on the list attached to the shelves next to the freezer. The food is distributed all over the Greater Philadelphia Area. This effort is on-going at our parish. We invite you to contribute what you can." If you have questions, please contact Nancy Todor 609-234-1193



St. Cornelius Early Learning Center

The children absolutely love the excitement and anticipation of having a *secret reader* surprise them. A secret reader comes and reads to the class and the children hide their eyes in hopes that it might be their parent or family member. The children are always happy for their friends. We are so grateful to all who take time out of their busy day to read to the children!



Joyous Mysteries of the Rosary Saturday Mornings

Joyous Mysteries of the Rosary aims to facilitate an experience where participants can encounter, contemplate and discuss the key mysteries in the life of Jesus Christ as contained within the Rosary. The Rosary is simultaneously a contemplative prayer, a spiritual weapon and a catechetical tool. The goal is for each participant to encounter the person of Jesus Christ in the episodes, discussions and in their personal prayer. In doing so, Our Lord will teach them the art of Christian living as well as the art of Christian prayer.



MYSTERIES
of the ROSARY

Dates: Saturdays, December 2, 2023 - January 27, 2024

Dec 2 - Series Introduction and Preview

Dec 9 - The Annunciation

Dec 16 - The Visitation

Dec 23 and 30 - Christmas Break (NO MEETING)

Jan 6 - The Birth of Jesus

Jan 13 - The Presentation

Jan 20 - The Finding in the Temple

Jan 27 - Series Conclusion and Review

Time: 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Location: Parish Life Center (PLC)

Weekly Agenda:

9:00 am Gathering, Food and Fellowship

9:30 am Video

10:00 am Discussion and Prayer

10:30 am Closing



Session sign up

Sunday November 19 12:00 Noon



Join our Parish Pro-Life Group in the church on Sunday, November 19, at noon, as we pray a Rosary and the Litany of Loreto for the unborn and an end to abortion. It is a perfect way to perform a spiritual work of mercy for the most vulnerable.

This event is scheduled every 3rd Sunday so please mark your calendar now. Bring a friend..

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 19, 2023

Give Thanks to the Lord
Who is Good..

—1 Corinthians 16:34



CRS NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

Why are we talking about peace in the Sahel? The Sahel is engulfed in a deadly spiral of violence that has claimed countless lives, uprooted millions from their homes, and shattered vital social services. In less than two years, the number of displaced persons has increased by 40%, recently reaching 2.5 million people in five west African nations in Sahel. Please visit www.crs.org for more information and to see how you can help!



"It's hypocrisy to call yourself a Christian and chase away a refugee or someone seeking help, someone who is hungry or thirsty, toss out someone who is in need of my help... If I say I am Christian, but do these things, I'm a hypocrite."

~ Pope Francis

SAVE THE DATE!

The Brandywine Pops Orchestra will present a free concert Monday, December 4th, 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Life Center.

The Pops Orchestra consists of 56 musicians from the local area. An entertaining program of Christmas and Holiday music will be presented. We hope to see you there!



PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL AND THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM

Shawn Donnelly, Lillian Corbett, Eileen Kane, C. McCollum, Joshua Gidlewski, Denise Banta, Patty Burke, Tom Eno, Raul Gesmundo, Diana Duffy, Isaac Burks, Suzanne Agren, Gabe Grant, Nancy Cunningham, Jay Holland, Thomas Drane, Kara Ulatowski, Harold Von Brockdorff, Jeff Behm, Mary Harmes, Mary Helen Arthur, Anne Spetzer, Carolyn Duffy, Carleen Peters, Marian Short, Matthew Hess, Bryan Thompson, Cindy Ficca, Paul Lucas, Carla Santoleri, Richard Meccarrielli, Edward Field, Judy Field, Joyce Monaco, Matthew Hurst, Leonard Smith, Jr., Jim Waters, Kathie Buckley, Bernice & Arthur Hindle, Sean Mulvey, George Butler, Margaret Butler, Patricia Wells, Kathy Williams, Michael Gibbons, Shirley Masse, Ellen Brisgone, Laura O'Brien-Black, Elizabeth Kephart, Tina Landis, Bill & Theresa Sherwin, Michelle Dillione, Chris Roe, Frank Kuders, Kylee Dougherty, Dave and Ronnie Pryce, Rosemary Brennan, Ellie May McGrath, Vicki Wojdak, Andrea Bateman, Brandon Heacock, Brittany Lott, Nancy Young, Peyton Lott, Billy Lott, Nanci Ehmer, Ken Rudert, Ed Shell, Ellie McCreight, Ellie Griem, Gregory Varacchi, Michael McKinnen, Connie Carney, Luke Post, Jim Buckley, Jerome Lienhard



The Faith Community Nurse Holistic Health Ministry

On request, Faith Community Nurses are making home visits to families who may be experiencing medical or social difficulties. The nurses confidentially address the needs holistically through bringing with them prayers from the parish, a knowledge of the medical field and process for providing support. If you know of anyone in the parish or beyond who would benefit from these services, please email: stfcfn@gmail.com. Contact person is Joan Holliday, RN/FCN at (610) 717-2180.



The Ministry of Consolation

A St. Cornelius community response to the needs of people grieving the death of a significant person/persons in their lives, the ministry honors the words and example of the Lord Jesus:

"Blessed are they who mourn; they shall be consoled"

(Matthew 5:4).

A team of four St. Cornelius church members have been trained to set up and facilitate a Support Group for the Consolation Ministry.

On **December 16, 2023**, the Consolation Group will meet at the **Parish Life Center, Fr. Simon Room** from **2:30pm to 3:30pm**.

Contact Joan Holliday for any questions
docholliv@aol.com or call (610) 717-2180.



Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament flows from the sacrifice of the Mass and serves to deepen our hunger for Communion with Christ and the rest of the Church.

Join us for Adoration on Friday mornings after Mass. You are welcome to visit anytime during the day until we repose the Blessed Sacrament at 4:00 PM.

If a funeral is scheduled for a Friday, there will be NO exposition.



Charitable Giving Through Appreciated Stocks and Mutual Funds

If your investment portfolio has appreciated assets, a great way to reduce your taxes and donate to the church is to gift St. Cornelius appreciated investments. If you do have appreciated investments, Saint Cornelius is able to accept stocks and mutual funds as a charitable contribution through **TD Ameritrade**.

For further information, please contact David P.

Bauer, the business manager for the church, at 610-459-2502.

Thank you for your generous support of the parish.



Monsignor's Thursday Email

Msgr. Diamond's weekly Thursday Email is a popular weekly news letter for our parishioners. Currently there are **over 1049** people who receive his email each Thursday afternoon. If you would like to be on our distribution list, please call the office at (610) 459-2502 or send your request to be added to our distribution at

Stcorn1@comcast.net.



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PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP)

Saint Cornelius Parish

You can contact Mrs. Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org or by calling the PREP office (610) 459-7723

PREP

We would like to wish all of our PREP families a relaxing and blessed Thanksgiving. We hope you enjoy this time with your family and friends.

November 19th we welcome students from the June Summer session for their 2nd follow up session of the year. We look forward to seeing everyone **at the school at 10 am**. We ask that everyone have their hair pulled back/tied up and that you bring a hat to wear as well. This is necessary for our service project. This session will dismiss at 11:15 via a car line.

There is no Sunday PREP this week, we wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving and look forward to seeing you back in class on December 3rd at 10 am.

As a reminder, our July Summer Session will have their next follow up session on December 3rd in **the Parish Life Center at 10-11:15**. We ask that everyone have their hair pulled back/tied up and that you bring a hat to wear for this session.

If you have any questions about our PREP program, please contact Julie Sullivan at stcornprep@scornelius.org.

YOUTH GROUP

We would like to wish all of our Youth Group members and their families a blessed Thanksgiving. If you have suggestions of activities or service projects you would like us to consider, please contact Julie Sullivan at

stcornprep@scornelius.org.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

We would like to wish all of our young families a very blessed Thanksgiving. We will not have our children's liturgy on Sunday November 26th. We look forward to seeing you all back with us on December 3rd at 9 am.



Prayer Shawl Ministry... Come, Join US!



Did you know that each baby baptized at St. Cornelius receives a hand-made blanket made by our Prayer Shawl Ministry? You are welcome to join us in this rewarding ministry. We also make shawls, blankets, scarves, hats, mittens etc. for elderly homes, the Giving Tree and anyone looking for a comforting gift.

**Every 4th Monday of each month
1:30pm to 3:00pm**

We find ourselves in need of white acrylic yarn or funding to help continue this wonderful ministry. Please prayerfully consider donating to our ministry or purchasing a "Pound of Love" or "Caron Pound" of white acrylic yarn. We have a basket set up in the narthex, below the large TV monitor, to offer our works and for your donations. Also, you are welcome to drop off any yarn donations to the Parish Life Center. Donations are greatly appreciated.

Shawls and blankets are available in the Bethany Room. If you have any questions, please contact

Mary Jo Shell, (610) 361-8198
or Joanne Fonash, (610) 299-9694

—BIBLE STUDY—

We are beginning our fall Bible Study once again with Monsignor Diamond. All women and men are invited to join us each **Thursday morning from 9:00 to 10:00 am., in the PLC.**

The goal of this Scripture study will be to broaden our knowledge of Scripture, our church's teaching regarding the Scriptures, and how it can enhance our understanding and personal faith life.



If you have questions, please call
Nancy Todor - cell 609-234-1193.

Updating Our Prayer List

We are attempting to update our prayer list as it has grown over the years. If you know of a loved one listed whom you feel has been helped by our prayers and are now recovered, please email the office at stcorn1@comcast.net so we can remove their name.

Sunday Mass Intentions

7:30 AM Martin & Bridie Kearney
9:00 AM Phyllis Young
11:00 AM Alfred T. Wysocki, Jr.
4:00 PM Fr. James Ambrogi

Weekly Mass Schedule (Week of November 20 - November 24)

Saturday Vigil / Sunday Morning

Intention: *Missa pro populo (Mass for the people)*
Reading: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5;
1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30

Monday 7:30 AM

Intention: Laura Sawyer
Reading: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158;
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday 7:30 AM

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Intention: Inez Hulkewicz
Reading: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday 7:30 AM St. Cecilia

Intention: The Intentions of Patricia Daly
Reading: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;
Lk 19:11-28

Thursday 8:30 AM St. Clement I, St. Columba, Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro Thanksgiving



Reading: Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9;
Lk 17:11-19

Friday 7:30 AM

St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc and Companions

Intention: Theresa Bradley
Reading: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd,
11-12; Lk 19:45-48

PILGRIM STATUE

11 - 19 - 2023 Debbie Brisgone

11 - 26 - 2023 Cathy Eno

12 - 03 - 2023 Jean Wysocki

Call Carla Santoleri at (610) 361-8447
for more information.



Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**November 19, 2023****SHARING OUR GIFTS**

Autumn is the season for harvesting and sharing the fruits of our labors. This week's scriptures use images of the harvest, family life, pregnancy, and investment to describe the abundant harvest in the reign of God. We discover that sharing the gifts we have been given brings eternal rewards for everyone.

In the Gospel parable a master entrusts his possessions to three servants before going on a journey. Each is given some talents. What they do with those talents determines what the master will do with them when he returns. How about us? What are we doing with our talents? How will our Master treat us when he returns?

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Earlier this autumn, we looked at how our Eucharistic Prayers have been enriched by the approval of several new prayers to augment the old Roman Canon. For us, there are the four standard prayers, three for Masses with Children, and the most recent addition, the former Swiss Eucharistic Prayer with four alternative forms (now known as the Eucharistic Prayer for Masses for Various Needs and Occasions).

We also have two Eucharistic Prayers for Masses

of Reconciliation. The source for these two prayers is the request by many bishops for a special prayer for the "Holy Year" of 1975. Originally, the committee in charge was commissioned to write a single prayer, but the theme proved so rich that it gave rise to two. The first is based on and develops biblical texts on reconciliation. The second starts with the experience of living in today's fractured world, and how the Spirit calls us to reconciliation and peace. Not everyone was happy with all this creativity, saying that if too many were published, it would be difficult for the Vatican to control further requests. Everyone thought the pope would put strict limits on the prayers, but in the end he said he was willing to open doors that had long been closed. Although he approved them for a period of only three years, they were never formally removed from the *Sacramentary* and have been incorporated into the new Roman Missal.

—Rev. James Field



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