

Dear Padre,

My mother divorced, then remarried a non-Catholic. Her first marriage was never annulled. She says if she can't take Communion, there's no difference between watching Mass on TV and attending Mass in a church. I think there's a difference, and she should go to Mass in a church with other Catholics. Your thoughts?

It's a good sign that your mother is watching Mass on television instead of skipping Mass altogether, but you're right.

Television Masses are a viable option for Catholics who are physically unable to attend Mass, but if your mother is physically able, it's a different matter. When it comes to worship, there's nothing like being there, and by attending the liturgy with other Catholics every week and on holy days, she'll fulfill her obligation by virtue of baptism in "fully conscious and active participation" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy [*Sacrosanctum Concilium*], 14).

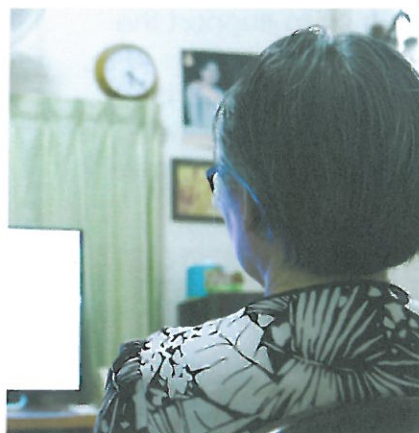
Keep encouraging your mom to attend weekly Mass in person and encourage her to contact her priest about starting annulment proceedings. If the annulment is granted and her current marriage is convalidated, she'll be able to receive the Eucharist.

Receiving Communion may be the privileged encounter with God, but Mass is primarily for worshiping and giving thanks to God. By returning to Mass with other Catholics now and eventually taking Communion, your mom's faith life clearly will be enriched.

Fr. Bob Lindsey, CSsR / Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Familiarity with the Lord, of Christians, is always in community. Yes, it is intimate, it is personal, but within the community. A familiarity without community, a familiarity without bread, a familiarity without the Church, without the people, without the sacraments, is dangerous.

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Calendar

Monday
NOVEMBER 8
Weekday
Wis 1:1-7
Lk 17:1-6

Tuesday
NOVEMBER 9
Dedication of the
Lateran Basilica
Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17
Jn 2:13-22

Wednesday
NOVEMBER 10
St. Leo the Great, Pope
and Doctor of the
Church
Wis 6:1-11
Lk 17:11-19

Thursday
NOVEMBER 11
St. Martin of Tours,
Bishop
Wis 7:22b-8:1
Lk 17:20-25

Friday
NOVEMBER 12
St. Josaphat,
Bishop and Martyr
Wis 13:1-9
Lk 17:26-37

Saturday
NOVEMBER 13
St. Frances Xavier
Cabrini, Virgin
Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9
Lk 18:1-8

Sunday
NOVEMBER 14
Thirty-third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Dn 12:1-3
Heb 10:11-14, 18
Mk 13:24-32

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Our Parish COMMUNITY

November 7, 2021

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

1 Kgs 17:10-16

Heb 9:24-28

Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44



[Jesus said,] "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury."

MARK 12:43

Ouch!

That's the sound of someone giving until it hurts. Most of us probably will never be in such a situation. It's not that we don't give, but that we are seldom asked to give until it really hurts.

The women in today's readings were in desperate straits. They hurt even before they opened their hands to give. Both belonged to one of the groups of vulnerable people often identified in the Bible—namely, the resident alien, the orphan, and the widow. Since the social structure of a patriarchal society is usually built on male kinship, those with no male patron were extraordinarily vulnerable. Consequently, Jewish law made special provision for them (see Deuteronomy 24:17, 19-21; 26:12-13; 27:19). The women in these stories were disadvantaged because they were women, they were widows, and they were

poor. How these deprivations interacted with each other isn't specifically mentioned.

It's not their state of deprivation that makes them models for us to emulate. It's their generosity *despite* their deprivation. The widows featured in today's readings gave from their hearts, not from their abundance. They recognized need in another and did what they could to address that need. That is the virtue set before us today. It is, indeed, heroic!

Do we do what we can to help others in need—little as that might be? Or do we cling to what we have, to what we say we have a right to have because we worked for it? Are we that uncaring? Ouch! That hurts!

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ★ How open are you to the needs of others?
- ★ How generous does this make you?



Parish of St. Vincent De Paul

"We as a community rooted in the Catholic faith seek to imitate Christ's Examples of love and service to others and spread the light of our faith to others."

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32nd Sunday Ordinary Time

Mass Nov. 7, 2021

Lector: Oliva Grassl-Kniveton

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Mike Reimers

Greeters & Presentation of Gift

Mike & Jeannie Reimers

Altar Servers:

Adrian K. & Giselle S.

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

Mass Nov. 14, 2021-Children's Mass

Lector: Mia Fregoso & Brianna Farias

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Maria Garcia

Greeters & Presentation of Gift

Hector & Emily Lopez Family

Alter Servers:

Isabella & Nadia Holt

Pope's Prayer intentions:

**People Who Suffer from Depression;
We pray that people who suffer from depression
or burn-out will find support and a light that
opens them up to life.**

Mass Schedule

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. @ St. Paul's in Eltopia

10:30 a.m. @ St. Vincent's (English)

12:00 p.m. @ St. Vincent's (Spanish)

Saturday: 7:00 p.m. @ San Juan Diego (Spanish)

Fridays: 8:00 a.m. Adoration @ St. Vincent's

8:30 a.m. Mass @ St. Vincent's

Confessions: Wednesdays 6:30 pm @ St. Vincent's

Tuesdays 7:00 pm @ San Juan Diego

Church Secretary: Elida Fernández - secSt.vincent2015@gmail.com

Tues, Weds. Thurs 12:00 pm – 3:30 pm

Elida can be reached at 509-318-0917 - 12 – 3:30 pm on Tues. Weds. Thurs.

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Breezeway Calendar: If you have any parish events or meetings that you would like on the all parish calendar that is posted in the breezeway please contact Julie Hart Call at 234-7232 or gihart@outlook.com

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Website: To add or send information, pictures or news to the website please email Jaeniffer Kaiser @ jaeniffer2002@hotmail.com

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FR. GUS'S SCHEDULE FOR WEEK:

Nov. 7, 2021 - Nov. 14, 2021

Sun. Nov. 7: Mass Schedule

8:00 am Mass @ Eltopia

10:30 am Mass @ Connell

12:00 pm Mass @ Connell

Monday Nov. 8:

Fr. Gus' Day Off

Tues. Nov. 9:

5:30 pm K of C Meets @ Connell

No Confessions @ Eltopia

No Mass @ Eltopia

No Confessions @ Basin City

Wed. Nov. 10:

5:00 pm Baptism Teams Meet

w/ Fr. Gus

6:30 pm Confessions @ Connell

Thurs. Nov. 11:

No Adoration @ Eltopia

No Mass @ Eltopia

5:30 pm Parish Council @ Connell

7:30 pm Finance Council @ Connell

Fri. Nov. 12:

Fr. Gus @ Tricity Prep

No Adoration @ Connell

No Mass @ Connell

6:00 pm Marriage Prep @ Eltopia

Sat Nov. 13:

7:00 pm @ Basin City

Sun. Nov. 14: Mass Schedule

8:00 am Mass @ Eltopia

10:30 am Mass @ Connell

12:00 pm Mass @ Connell

**Remember to Keep Fr. Gus in
Your Prayers**

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK FROM THE PASTORAL PATTERNS BY JS

PAULISH CO:

Have I ever given freely and generously when I have been in need? What am I willing to share with someone else?

STEWARDSHIP

I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living. " (Mark 12:43-44)

Jesus gets right to the point – we are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your "first fruits" or from what is "left over"?

2021 Annual Catholic Appeal

Goal for St. Vincent & San Juan Diego

\$21,678.00

Contributions to date: **\$7028.00**

Thank you for your generous

Weekly contributions

Oct. 24, 2021

10:30 am - \$987.00

12:00 pm - \$263.00

Basin City - \$652.25

Oct. 17 2021

10:30 am - \$1496.00

12:00 pm \$331.08

Basin City - \$571.33

High School

Religious Ed. Registration

Has started and

**Is open to 8th graders that have their
Baptism, Confirmation & 1st Communion. More info call**

Elida Fernandez, secretary.

During office hours Tues.-Thurs.

Noon – 4 pm

\$20 fee for all students.

UPCOMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR

REMINDER

Our website has:

The times and days of Mass and
Confession,

The latest news and events,

The option for online donations,

Go to:

www.stvincentconnell.org

Altar Flowers

Nov. – Guadalupanas

Dec. – Altar Society; Guild 3

SMALL GROUPS MEET

Women's Tues. Nov. 9 @ 7 Pm

Adult's Thurs. Nov. 18, @ 7 pm

Men's Thurs. Dec. 2 @ 6 am

GUADALUPANAS MEET

Thursday, 18 of NOV.

@ 5 pm

Advent Dinner

Saturday, Dec. 5th @ 5 pm

(21 yrs. and older)

Sign up at the entrance of church.

Dear Parishioners & Friends,

**Masks are required in our church
buildings and offices. Thank you for
your understanding and for taking
care of each other, Fr. Gus.**