

## The Catholic Community of

# Saint Joseph

## Masses

Saturday – 4:00 p.m.; Sunday – 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Mass in Spanish: Sunday – 1:30 p.m. Holy Days: Check inside of bulletin.  
Weekdays: Tuesday – 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – 8:15 a.m.  
Confessions: By Appointment Only

*“In the spirit of St. Joseph, we lovingly serve Jesus Christ and His people.”*

Parish Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

- ◆ **PARISH STAFF:** Rev. James Hatfield, *Pastor*; Deacon Ronald Fondriest, *Retired*; Ms. Brenda Stilgenbauer, *Pastoral Associate*; Ms. Cindy Teynor, *Director of Religious Education*; Mrs. Kateri Renicker, *Religious Education Secretary*; Mr. Matthew Nadalin, *Director of Music Ministry*; Mrs. Jodi Lindberg, *Bookkeeper*; Mrs. Betty Bidinger, *Coordinator of Family Life Center*; Mr. Russ Clay & Mr. Coleman Boring, *Church and Cemetery Maintenance*; and Mr. Neal Kwasnicka, *Custodian*.
- ◆ **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Mr. Brian Bauer, Mr. Chris Chaney, Mr. Mark Clemence, Mr. Jack Dooling, Mr. Dennis Gonano, Mr. Jan-Michael LaBrake, Mrs. Brenda Pope, Mr. Frank Rose, Mr. Joe Sciarretti.
- ◆ **MARRIAGES** – Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least eight months before any other planning.
- ◆ **BAPTISMS** – Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. (outside of Mass). Parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Program. This is at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Family Life Center. Godparents are also welcome to attend. Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office.
- ◆ **BAUTISMOS** – Bautismo en español se celebran una vez al mes después de la Misa el Domingo. Los padres y padrinos deben recibir charles de preparación en el Centro Familiar. Deben inscribirse llamando a las Oficinas de la Parroquia.
- ◆ **NEW PARISHIONERS** – Please register in person at the Parish Office or complete a registration form (available in church). Please return to Parish Office or put in collection.
- ◆ **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Please have bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, or e-mail [stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com](mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com).

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School:**  
330-343-9134

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Catholic High School:**  
330-343-3302

**St. Joseph Church**  
**Dover, Ohio 44622**  
**The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**November 14 and 15, 2020**  
**14 y 15 de Noviembre del 2020**



**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, November 16**

**No Mass**

Readings: 497: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1/Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday, November 17**

**5:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration**

**6:00 p.m. John and Nancy Braasch**

Readings: 498: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15/Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday, November 18**

**8:15 a.m. Robert Noes**

Readings: 499: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150/Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday, November 19**

**8:15 a.m. Shirley Fondriest**

**9:00 a.m. Eucharistic Adoration**

Readings: 500: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149/Lk 19:41-44

**Friday, November 20**

**8:15 a.m. Jack Beckman**

Readings: 501: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119/Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday, November 21**

**The Vigil of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**4:00 p.m. Aurea Carpio**

**Sunday, November 22**

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

**8:30 a.m. Rosalie Cugliari**

**11:00 a.m. John and Katherine Gopp**

**1:30 p.m. People of the Parish**

**(Mass in Spanish)**

Readings: 160: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23/1 Cor 15:20-26,  
28/Mt 25:31-46

**Offertory for November 7 and 8, 2020**

Loose Cash and Checks	\$ 2,878.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 7,962.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,300.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 12,140.00</b>
Contributions needed each week	\$ 12,192.00

**Other Funds:**

Poor Fund	\$ 452.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 1,340.00
St. Joseph Subsidy for Catholic Schools	\$ 435.00
Other Collections	\$ 520.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**Your contributions make the mission of St. Joseph  
Parish possible and keep our parish financially sound.**

**Ministry Schedule**

**Lectors, Usher and Greeter Schedule**

**Tuesday, November 17 – 6:00 p.m. – Mary Salvo**

**Wednesday, November 18 – 8:15 a.m. – Jack Burnham**

**Thursday, November 19 – 8:15 a.m. – Jeannine Kennedy**

**Friday, November 20 – 8:15 a.m. – Lyle Tope**

**November 21 and 22, 2020**

**4:00 p.m. Mass**

Lector: Mary DeBois

Ushers: Steve DeBois, Kateri Renicker, Cathy Bambeck,  
Jack Bambeck

Server: Cade Renicker

**8:30 a.m. Mass**

Lector: Jack Burnham

Ushers: John Kuczirka, Chris Chaney, Kelly Chaney,  
John Karl, Max Burnham, Ronnie Saffell

Server: John Chaney

**11:00 a.m. Mass**

Lector: Sue Worth

Ushers: George Kail, Jim Elco, Mary Elco, Patti DeVault,  
Mike Ernest

Server: John Nguyen

**The Church also will be open for individual prayer on**

**Mondays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. until Mass begins at 6:00 p.m.**

**Wednesday following 8:15 a.m. Mass until 1:00 p.m.**

**Thursday following 8:15 a.m. Mass until 1:00 p.m.**

**Friday following 8:15 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.**

**Saturday from 1:00 p.m. until Mass begins at 4:00 p.m.**

**Confessions are available by appointment, please call  
the Parish Office if you would like to schedule a time.**



**Prayer Chain:** To place your request on the Prayer Chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063. If no one is available, please leave a message.

**Please remember in your prayers, all the sick, homebound,  
and recovering in our parish. Also, pray for those coping  
with physical or mental conditions.**

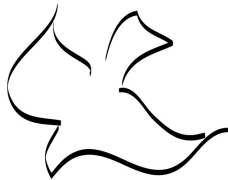
**Please include all those on our prayer lists that have asked  
for our prayers, and those who have no one to pray for  
them.**



### Spiritual Notes:

The Book of Proverbs is a collection of wise advice that was used for instruction of ancient Israel. Traditionally attributed to Solomon because of his reputation for great wisdom, many of these sayings were originally intended for young men. Their inclusion in the biblical text gives them a wider audience: all people are called to seek and embrace the way of the wise. In today's reading we hear of the value of a "worthy wife," this text is sometimes read at funerals as a tribute to a woman whose value is far beyond pearls. The text reminds us of the importance of associating with good people in our lives. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians reminds us that there is more to life than this world. As Christians we anticipate the day of the Lord. As believers we are children of the light and we are called to live lives worthy of our status as God's children; we are called to stay alert and sober not becoming distracted by unimportant things or falling into darkness. The apostle calls us to encourage one another in our common faith. In the parable of talents, Jesus calls us to make good use of what we have been given. The talents given to each of the servants represent a great amount of money. One talent was equivalent to approximately 6,000 days' wages. Each servant was given a different amount, according to his ability. The parable focuses on what each one did with the talents received. The master accuses the third servant of laziness. The third servant knew his master was demanding, but he didn't even put the money to work in what we would call a conservative financial plan "in the bank" to accrue interest; he merely buried the talent in the ground. Like him, we are called to make good use of what has been entrusted to us, for one day we will be called to give an accounting for our actions.

*For reflection: What is my belief about the day of the Lord? How can I prepare for it?*



### Congratulations and God's blessings to our 2020 Confirmation Class!

Thank you to everyone who supported them in their preparation.

Christopher Aguirre	Cecilia Herrera Ixcoy
Rocsana Ajanel Gonzalez	Yohayra Mejia Agustin
Lydia Ernest	Charles Montan
Brody Ferrell	Crystal Ortiz Zarza
Joseph Ferrell	Kenton Renicker
Madison Ferrell	Ashlee Robles
Kimberly Flores Martinez	Michaela Sica Mejia
Zoey Fox	Silvia Sica Mejia
Daniel Gonzalez	Paul Telle
David Gonzalez	Gabriel Winnie
Rosemary Gonzalez	



**A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated on Thursday, November 26, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.** This Mass gives each of us an opportunity to thank God for all the many blessings we enjoy each day.

Each year, this Mass concludes with a special blessing of the foods we will eat at our Thanksgiving Day meal. A table will be set up in front of the church for those foods. The collection at this Mass will be to support our Poor Fund.



### The Giving Tree

**Share A Christmas** tags will be placed on the Giving Tree listing items needed for St. Joseph Families, Share A Christmas, and Birthright, beginning the weekend of November 22nd. Unwrapped gifts should be placed under the tree with the tag attached. All cash donations should be placed in an envelope and put in the Collection Basket. **Toys for Share A Christmas must be received no later than Sunday, December 3rd.**

**Gifts for Birthright and donations for needy St. Joseph Families should be returned to the Parish Office by Sunday, December 13th.**

We are happy to add a new organization to our Giving Tree this year. **Fostering Love of Tuscarawas County** is a new organization, partnering with Job and Family Services, to support Foster Families in our community. After finding great service opportunities in Franklin County and recognizing a great need in our community, the founders of Fostering Love expanded their reach to our county. Whether it's providing nights of respite for foster parents, celebrating the hard-working staff at JFS, providing meals and welcome baskets for new foster families, or organizing toy drives, Fostering Love is proud to serve Tuscarawas County.

You can "adopt" a foster child by selecting an ornament off of the Giving Tree in the sanctuary. No gift-wrapping necessary. Please have your gifts returned **by Sunday, December 13th.**

It is estimated that 438,000 children nationwide are in the foster care system, and roughly 40% of all households who begin the foster care process quit after just one year because there is not enough support.

To learn more visit: [www.wearefosteringlove.org](http://www.wearefosteringlove.org)



### Volunteers Needed!

#### Join our team!

Greeters to welcome and hold open doors for those attending Mass. Ushers to help everyone find a seat, and sanitizing teams to disinfect high touch point areas after each Mass. If you are interested in volunteering, please call the Parish Office.



## **Rejoice!**

### **Advent Meditations with the Holy Family**

Advent is a special season for the Church — it is the time when the world prepares to celebrate anew the coming of Christ. Often, we lose sight of the point of this season because we get caught up in our preparations for Christmas and arrive at Christmas no more transformed than we were at the start of Advent. Our parish is seeking to prepare for Jesus' birth and experience true transformation in this powerful season by engaging with a new program from Ascension. This program is *Rejoice! Advent Meditations with the Holy Family*. This year, we will walk with Mary and Joseph as they prepare to welcome their son, the Savior of the World.

We have the opportunity to walk together, following the Holy Family on their journey to Bethlehem. Because we want this Advent to be a journey we take together as a parish, each participant will receive a *Rejoice! Journal*, filled with beautiful art and meaningful meditations to accompany him or her throughout the entire Advent season. Engage in daily reflection, scripture and prayer to enliven your Advent journey.

**Saturdays, November 21, 28, December 5, 12, and 19 from 5:15 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. in the Family Life Center.**

**Sundays, November 22, 29 December 6, 13, and 20 from 9:45 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. in the Family Life Center.**

**Also, Wednesday Mornings if there is enough interest.**

**Masks and appropriate social distancing is required. We ask that you RSVP so we are prepared for you. The cost is \$10.00**

*Rejoice!* is an opportunity for our whole community to enter into the season of Advent intentionally and receive the grace God is waiting to give us in this holy season.



**Christmas Flower Donation Envelopes** are in your envelope packets for December. The cost is \$20.00 for three names. They must be returned by December 14, 2020.

### **PLEASE PRINT.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**By:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## **St. Joseph Soup Kitchen Everyone is welcome!!**

**We will currently be passing out takeout meals for all those in need. Thank you for your support!**

November 18, 2020 – Team H (Cindy Jones)

November 25, 2020 – Team I (Isabellas)

December 2, 2020 – Team L (Chrissie Hensel)

December 9, 2020 – Team M (Fran Mason)

**The Soup Kitchen needs containers for takeout meals. If you would like to make a donation of containers you may have at home, or newly purchased, there is a tub in the Vestibule. Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers.**



## **Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School**

### **2020 – 2021 First Quarter Awards**

**Congratulations! Well Done!**

#### **6th Grade**

##### **Honor Roll**

Emma Makepeace

Nadia Pope

Flynn Renicker

Jessica Selinsky

Suzanna Sica Calel

#### **5th Grade**

##### **Honor Roll**

Edward Bachman

Joseph Bachman

Sophia Cronebaugh

Addison Witham

#### **6th Grade**

##### **Life Skills Award**

Holden Civiello

Emma Makepeace

Flynn Renicker

Jessica Selinsky

#### **5th Grade**

##### **Life Skills Award**

Sophia Cronebaugh

Lynsie Tienarend

Addison Witham

#### **Cheerleading Fundraiser**

The TCC Varsity and Junior High Cheerleader will be serving sausage and meatball sandwiches this Sunday, at Hoodletown Brewery in Dover. We hope you will support their fundraiser! Go Saints!!



**Online Giving.** If you manage your bills online, we're sure you'll like giving to your church online. It's safe and secure, and you decide exactly when your give is made and where it goes. To get started please visit [www.stjosephdover.org](http://www.stjosephdover.org). If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Parish Office.

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# *Give the gift of a Catholic education!*

## *Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School*

### *2020-21 Adopt-A-Student Program*

**Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School is dedicated to building disciples of Christ, providing an excellent academic program integrated with Catholic teaching, and promoting life long service to church and community.**



You can bring that mission alive for all students and families by participating in the Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School Adopt-A-Student program. By contributing to the Adopt-A-Student program, you can bring a faith-filled education within the reach of all families. You can give the gift of an education featuring a strong academic program designed to help all students reach their potential. You can give the gift of an education built on prayer, love for one another, and service to others. You can give the gift of a Catholic education.

Your donation to the Adopt-A-Student program will directly benefit students and families who need financial support and assistance to pay tuition costs. More than 60% of our students in grades K through six receive some type of financial assistance and the need continues to grow each year, especially now that many of our families are feeling the economic impact of the Coronavirus pandemic.



Please help us keep a Catholic education within the reach of all. Please Adopt-A-Student. You can choose from several levels of support:

Full Scholarship:	\$3,100
Half Scholarship:	\$1,550
Quarter Scholarship:	\$775
TCCES Booster	\$100

Scholarships may be paid in full at one time, or we can establish a payment plan that suits your needs. Thank you for your support!

**PLEASE USE THE FORM ON THE BACK SIDE TO MAKE YOUR DONATION.**



**Yes! I want to participate in the Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School Adopt-a-Student program! Donations are tax deductible.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Level of Support:

Full Scholarship:     \$3,100     \_\_\_\_\_

Half Scholarship:     \$1,550     \_\_\_\_\_

Quarter Scholarship: \$775     \_\_\_\_\_

TCCES Booster:     \$100     \_\_\_\_\_

Payment enclosed:     \_\_\_\_\_

Please call me to set up a tuition payment plan similar  
to the plans used by our families : \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want to support a particular family member such as a grandchild? Then please call the  
school office and we will deduct your donation from that student's tuition account.

Please mail to:

Adopt-a-Student  
Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School  
600 N. Tuscarawas Ave.  
Dover, OH 44622

# Lectio Divina

## SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

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“What page, what passage of the inspired books of the Old and New Testaments is not the truest of guides for human life?” ~Saint Benedict, from the *Rule of Saint Benedict* (73:3)

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*The Month of November is dedicated to praying for the souls in Purgatory.*

***Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen. ~PRAYER OF SAINT GERTRUDE FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY***

**Monday, November 16 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**  
**Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 18:35-43** As Jesus approached Jericho a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging, and hearing a crowd going by, he inquired what was happening. They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” He shouted, “Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!” The people walking in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent, but he kept calling out all the more, “Son of David, have pity on me!” Then Jesus stopped and ordered that he be brought to him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, “What do you want me to do for you?” He replied, “Lord, please let me see.” Jesus told him, “Have sight; your faith has saved you.” He immediately received his sight and followed him, giving glory to God. When they saw this, all the people gave praise to God.

**Meditation:** It took a certain amount of courage and certainly a strong amount of persistence for Bartimaeus to get the attention of Jesus over the noisy throng who crowded around Jesus as he made his way out of town. Why was the crowd annoyed with the blind man's persistent shouts? He was disturbing their peace and interrupting their conversation with Jesus. It was common for a rabbi to teach as he walked with others. Jesus was on his way to celebrate the Passover in Jerusalem and a band of pilgrims followed him. When the crowd tried to silence the blind man he overpowered them with his loud emotional outburst and thus caught the attention of Jesus. This incident reveals something important about how God interacts with us. The blind man was determined to get Jesus' attention and he was persistent in the face of opposition of the crowd. Jesus could have ignored or scolded him because he was interrupting his talk and disturbing his audience. Jesus showed that action was more important than talking. This man was in desperate need and Jesus was ready not only to empathize with his suffering but to relieve it as well. Looking at the people around us – those whom we know, those who are total strangers – do we hear the pleas of those in need? Do we do something to help them, and do so out of love?

**Prayer ~ Saint Margaret of Scotland:** O God, who made Saint Margaret of Scotland wonderful in her outstanding charity towards the poor, grant that through her intercession and example we may reflect among all humanity the image of your divine goodness. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer ~ Saint Gertrude:** O God, who prepared a delightful dwelling for yourself in the heart of the Virgin Saint Gertrude, graciously bring light, through her intercession, to the darkness of our hearts, that we may joyfully experience you present and at work within us. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Bartimaeus was not only grateful for the gift of faith and the gift of physical sight, but for the opportunity to now follow Jesus as one of his disciples. Luke tells us that he immediately followed Jesus and gave glory to God. The crowd also gave praise to God when they saw this double miracle of spiritual and physical vision. Saint Cyril of Alexandria, a Father of the Church, comments on this double vision: “Now that he was delivered from his blindness, did he neglect the duty of loving Christ? He certainly did not. It says, ‘He followed him, offering him glory like to God.’ He was set free from double blindness. Not only did he escape from the blindness of the body but also from that of the mind and heart. He would not have glorified him as God, had he not possessed spiritual vision. He became the means of

others giving Christ glory, for it says that all the people gave glory to God." (Commentary on Luke, Homily 126)

## **Tuesday, November 17 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**

### **Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 19:1-10** At that time Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they saw this, they began to grumble, saying, "He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost."

**Meditation:** We would be well-served to meditate on today's Gospel with the help of a homily excerpt of Saint Augustine of Hippo: "Zacchaeus climbed away from the crowd and saw Jesus without the crowd getting in his way. The crowd laughs at the lowly, to people walking the way of humility, who leave the wrongs they suffer in God's hands and do not insist on getting back at their enemies. The crowd laughs at the lowly and says, 'You helpless, miserable clod, you cannot even stick up for yourself and get back what is your own.' The crowd gets in the way and prevents Jesus from being seen. The crowd boasts and crows when it is able to get back what it owns. It blocks the sight of the one who said as he hung on the cross, 'Father, forgive them, because they do not know what they are doing... He ignored the crowd that was getting in his way. He instead climbed a sycamore tree, a tree of 'silly fruit.' As the apostle says, 'We preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block indeed to the Jews, [now notice the sycamore] but folly to the Gentiles.' Finally, the wise people of this world laugh at us about the cross of Christ and say, 'What sort of minds do you people have, who worship a crucified God?' What sort of minds do we have? They are certainly not your kind of mind. 'The wisdom of this world is folly with God.' No, we do not have your kind of mind. You call our minds foolish. Say what you like, but for our part, let us climb the sycamore tree and see Jesus. The reason you cannot see Jesus is that you are ashamed to climb the sycamore tree. Let Zacchaeus grasp the sycamore tree, and let the humble person climb the cross. That is little enough, merely to climb it. We must not be ashamed of the cross of Christ, but we must fix it on our foreheads, where the seat of shame is. Above where all our blushes show is the place we must firmly fix that for which we should never blush. As for you, I rather think you make fun of the sycamore, and yet that is what has enabled me to see Jesus. You make fun of the sycamore, because you are just a person, but 'the foolishness of God is wiser than men.'" [Sermon 174.3.]

**Prayer:** O God, by whose gift Saint Elizabeth of Hungary recognized and revered Christ in the poor, grant, through her intercession, that we may serve with unfailing charity the needy and those afflicted. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Zacchaeus needed God's merciful love and forgiveness. In his encounter with Jesus he found more than he imagined possible. He shows the depth of his repentance by deciding to give half of his goods to the poor and to use the other half for making restitution for fraud. Zacchaeus' testimony included more than words. His change of heart resulted in a change of life, a change that the whole community could experience as genuine.

## **Wednesday, November 18 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**

### **Dedication of the Churches of Saint Peter and Saint Paul (Rome);** **Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 19:11-28** While people were listening to Jesus speak, he proceeded to tell a parable because he was near Jerusalem and they thought that the Kingdom of God would appear there immediately. So he said, "A nobleman went off to a distant country to obtain the kingship for himself and then to return. He called ten of his servants and gave them ten gold coins and told them, 'Engage in trade with these until I return.' His fellow citizens, however, despised him and sent a delegation after him to announce, 'We do not want this man to be our king.' But when he returned after obtaining the kingship,



he had the servants called, to whom he had given the money, to learn what they had gained by trading. The first came forward and said, 'Sir, your gold coin has earned ten additional ones.' He replied, 'Well done, good servant! You have been faithful in this very small matter; take charge of ten cities.' Then the second came and reported, 'Your gold coin, sir, has earned five more.' And to this servant too he said, 'You, take charge of five cities.' Then the other servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your gold coin; I kept it stored away in a handkerchief, for I was afraid of you, because you are a demanding man; you take up what you did not lay down and you harvest what you did not plant.' He said to him, 'With your own words I shall condemn you, you wicked servant. You knew I was a demanding man, taking up what I did not lay down and harvesting what I did not plant; why did you not put my money in a bank? Then on my return I would have collected it with interest.' And to those standing by he said, 'Take the gold coin from him and give it to the servant who has ten.' But they said to him, 'Sir, he has ten gold coins.' He replied, 'I tell you, to everyone who has, more will be given, but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. Now as for those enemies of mine who did not want me as their king, bring them here and slay them before me.'" After he had said this, he proceeded on his journey up to Jerusalem.

**Meditation:** The parable in today's Gospel reveals something important about how God works his plan and purpose with the human race. The parable speaks first of the king's trust in his subjects. While he goes away he leaves them with his money to use as they think best. While there were no strings attached, this was obviously a test to see if the Master's workers would be industrious and reliable in their use of the money entrusted to them. The master rewards those who are industrious and faithful and he punishes those who sit by idly and who do nothing with his money. The essence of the parable seems to lie in the servants' conception of responsibility. Each servant entrusted with the master's money was faithful up to a certain point. The servant who buried the master's money was irresponsible. One can bury seeds in the ground and expect them to become productive because they obey natural laws. Coins, however, do not obey natural laws. They obey economic laws and become productive in circulation. The master expected his servants to be productive in the use of his money. So what do coins and the laws of economics have to do with the kingdom of God? The Lord entrusts the subjects of his kingdom with gifts and graces and he gives his subjects the freedom to use them as they think best. With each gift and talent, God gives sufficient means (grace and wisdom) for using them in a fitting way. As the parable of the talents shows, God abhors indifference and an attitude that says it's not worth trying. God honors those who use their talents and gifts for doing good. Those who are faithful with even a little are entrusted with more! But those who neglect or squander what God has entrusted to them will lose what they have.

**Prayer ~ Dedication of the basilica churches of Saint Peter and Saint Paul:** Defend your Church, O Lord, by the protection of the holy Apostles, that, as she received from them the beginnings of her knowledge of things divine, so through them she may receive, even to the end of the world, an increase in heavenly grace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer ~ Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne:** Almighty God, who filled the heart of Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne with charity and missionary zeal, and gave her the desire to make you known among all peoples, grant us to follow her way and fill us with that same love and zeal to extend your Kingdom to the ends of the earth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** There is an important lesson here for us. No one can stand still for long in the authentic life as a disciple of Christ, a follower of Jesus, a Christian. We either get more or we lose what we have. We either advance towards God or we slip back. Do you seek to serve God with the gifts, talents, and graces he has given to you? Or might you be considered a spiritual couch potato?

### **Thursday, November 19 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 19:41-44** As Jesus drew near Jerusalem, he saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If this day you only knew what makes for peace – but now it is hidden from your eyes. For the days are coming upon you when your enemies will raise a palisade against you; they will encircle you and hem you in on all sides. They will smash you to the ground and your children within you, and they will not leave one stone upon another within you because you did not recognize the time of your visitation."

**Meditation:** When Jesus approached Jerusalem and saw the multitude of homes surrounding the holy temple, he wept over it because its inhabitants did not "know the things that make for peace" (Luke 19:42). As he poured out his heart to the Father in heaven, Jesus shed tears of sorrow, grief, and mourning for his people. He knew that he would soon pour out his blood for the people of Jerusalem and

for the whole world as well. Why does Jesus weep and lament over City of Jerusalem? Throughout its history, many of the rulers and inhabitants had rejected the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord because of their pride and unbelief. Now they refuse to listen to Jesus who comes as their Messiah - whom God has anointed to be their Savior and Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6).

**Prayer:** Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** When God visits his people he comes to establish peace and justice by rooting out our enemies - the *world* (in opposition to God), the *flesh* (our sinful cravings and inordinate desires), and the *devil* (who is Satan the father of lies) who enslave us to fear and pride, rebellion and hatred, envy and covetousness, strife and violence, and every form of evil and wrong-doing. That is why God both judges and purifies his people - to lead us from our sinful ways to his way of justice, peace, love, and holiness. God actively works among his people to teach us his ways and to save us from the destruction of our own pride and sin and from Satan's snares and lies. Are God's judgments unjust or unloving? Scripture tells us that "when God's judgments are revealed in the earth, the inhabitants of the world learn righteousness" (Isaiah 26:9). To pronounce judgment on sin is much less harsh than what will happen if those who sin are not warned to repent. The Lord in his mercy gives us grace and time to turn away from sin, but that time is right now. If we delay, even for a moment, we may discover that grace has passed us by and our time is up. Why would we want to delay any opportunity to confess our sins, seek God's unbounded love, mercy and forgiveness, and have our baptismal graces renewed?

### **Friday, November 20 ~ Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary Time**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 19:45-48** Jesus entered the temple area and proceeded to drive out those who were selling things, saying to them, "It is written, *My house shall be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves.*" And every day he was teaching in the temple area. The chief priests, the scribes, and the leaders of the people, meanwhile, were seeking to put him to death, but they could find no way to accomplish their purpose because all the people were hanging on his words.

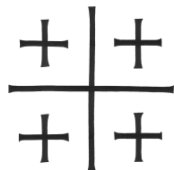
**Meditation:** This is the only incident in the Gospels where we see Jesus using physical force. Jesus went to Jerusalem, knowing he would meet certain death on the cross, but victory as well for our sake. His act of judgment in the temple is meant to be a prophetic sign and warning to the people that God takes our worship very seriously. In this incident we see Jesus' startling and swift action in cleansing the temple of those who were using it to exploit the worshipers of God. The money changers took advantage of the poor and forced them to pay many times more than was right - in the house of God no less! Their robbery of the poor was not only dishonoring to God but unjust toward their neighbor.

**Prayer:** Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being devoted to you, for it is full and lasting happiness to serve with constancy the author of all that is good. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** If we approach God's word with a humble attentive heart and with a willingness to be taught by the Lord, then we are in a good place to allow God's word to change and transform us in the likeness of Christ. The Lord wants to teach us his ways so that we may grow in holiness. The Lord both instructs and disciplines us in love to lead us from the error of our sinful ways to his truth and justice. "God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness" (Hebrews 12:10). The Lord calls us to be a holy people who worship him with reverence and gratitude for his great mercy and kindness towards us. Do you allow God's word to transform you in his way of love and holiness?

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Domingo	Noviembre 29	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	Diciembre 6	1:30 p.m.

Confesiones con cita previa.

**Misas en Ingles**

Sábados	4:00 p.m.
Domingos	8:30 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.



**Día de Acción de Gracias**  
**26 de Noviembre de 2020**  
**Misa 9:00 a.m.**

**Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre**  
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Recemos para que el progreso de la robótica y de la inteligencia artificial esté siempre al servicio del ser humano.

Creo, Jesús mío,  
que estás real y verdaderamente en el cielo  
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Os amo sobre todas las cosas y deseo vivamente recibirte  
dentro de mi alma, pero no pudiendo hacerlo  
ahora sacramentalmente, venid al menos  
espiritualmente a mi corazón.  
Y como si ya os hubiese recibido,  
os abrazo y me uno del todo a Ti.  
Señor, no permitas que jamás me aparte de Ti.  
Amén.



Por favor, recuerde en su oración, a todos los enfermos, al salir de casa, y la recuperación de nuestra parroquia. Además, orar por aquellos que sufren de condiciones físicas o mentales.

**Notas Espirituales:**

El libro de Proverbios es una colección de consejos sabios que se utilizó para la instrucción en el antiguo Israel. Tradicionalmente se atribuye a Salomón debido a su reputación de gran sabiduría, muchos de estos dichos fueron pensados originalmente para los hombres jóvenes. Su incorporación en el texto bíblico les da un público más amplio: todas las personas están llamadas a buscar y abrazar el camino de los sabios. En la lectura de hoy escuchamos sobre el valor de "una digna esposa"; este texto se lee a veces en los funerales como un homenaje a una mujer cuyo valor es "mucho más allá de las perlas". El texto nos recuerda la importancia de la asociación con buenas personas en nuestras vidas. La carta de Pablo a los Tesalonicenses nos recuerda que hay más a la vida que este mundo. Como cristianos anticipamos "el día del Señor". Como creyentes somos "hijos de la luz", y por lo que estamos llamados a vivir una vida digna de nuestra condición de hijos de Dios; estamos llamados a "estar alerta y sobrio", no dejarse distraer por cosas sin importancia o caer en la oscuridad. El apóstol nos llama a "animarse unos a otros" en nuestra fe común. En la parábola de los talentos, Jesús nos llama a hacer un buen uso de lo que se nos ha dado. Los talentos dados a cada uno de los siervos representan una gran cantidad de dinero. Un talento era equivalente a aproximadamente a 6,000 días de salario. Cada siervo se le dio una cantidad diferente, según su capacidad. La parábola se centra en lo que hizo cada uno con los talentos recibidos. El maestro acusa al tercer siervo de la pereza. El tercer siervo sabía que su amo era exigente, pero él ni siquiera puso el dinero a trabajar en lo que llamaríamos un plan financiero conservador - "en el banco" a acumular intereses; él simplemente enterró el talento en la tierra. Al igual que él, estamos llamados a hacer buen uso de lo que se nos ha confiado a nosotros, porque un día seremos llamados a dar una explicación de nuestras acciones. **Para la reflexión:** ¿Cuál es mi creencia sobre el "día del Señor"? ¿Cómo puedo prepararme para ello?





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