

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer for God's Continued Protection

O Lord,

support us all the day long of this troublous life

until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes,

and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over,

and our work is done.

The office will be closed Nov 22 &23

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November 19, 2023 Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

.WHICH SERVANT AM I?

"Which servant am I?" Imagine being one of the servants in the parable we hear today from the Gospel of Matthew. We can feel the pride of the first two servants, who wisely used the talents given to them. We imagine the fear and shame of the third, who did not. The servants were given different sums of money, according to their ability. None was given more than what he was capable of handling. Yet only two made the talents they were given fruitful. As a result, these two heard, "Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy." As we hear the parable, we must wonder, "Which servant am I?"

2024 Church calendar is available in the front of the church and the new envelopes are here ,be sure to pick them up

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (November 21)

This feast had its origins in the Eastern churches, and is associated with an event recounted not in the New Testament, but in the *Protoevangelium of James*, a second-century work not contained in the Bible. In that account, Mary's childless parents, Joachim and Anne, learned through a message from heaven that they were to have a child. In gratitude for the great gift of their daughter Mary, they brought her to the Temple in Jerusalem when she was still a child in order to consecrate her to God. Various other accounts report her being brought to the Temple when she was three in fulfillment of her parents' vow, and left there for schooling to prepare her to be the Mother of God.

In A.D. 543 a church named for Saint Mary was built in Jerusalem near the site of the Temple, and this feast commemorates the dedication of that church. The Roman Catholic Church recalls this tradition together with our sisters and brothers in the East. Pope Saint Paul VI observed that the Presentation of Mary, although apocryphal in origin, nevertheless presents worthy values and carries on venerated traditions from the Eastern churches. This celebration concludes a cycle of three feasts of Mary, observed at various times in the year, surrounding her nativity.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

Psalm — Happy are those who walk in God's ways (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

Gospel — To all those who have, more will be given (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;

Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;

Lk 19:41-44

Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:

Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9;

Lk 17:11-19

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd,

11-12: Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19;

Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;

1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Cecilia

Thursday: St. Clement I, St. Columban;

Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro;

Thanksgiving Day

Friday: St. Andrew Düng-Lac and Companions

Saturday: St. Catherine of Alexandria;



No P.R.E. on Wednesday Nov 22nd

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NOV 5TH

LECTOR MARK

SERVERS LESLIE & MARINA

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

NOV 12TH

LECTOR JANET&MARINA

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN F

NOV 19TH

LECTOR PEGGY

SERVERS JESUS & LESLIE

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

NOV 26TH

LECTOR JEFF

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN F

A THANKFUL HEART

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues.

Nov 12th 2023 Sunday collection 1620.00 B&M 50.00