

Monday NOVEMBER 17 Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious Rv 1:1–4; 2:1–5

1k 18:35-43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 18 Weekday Rv 3:1–6, 14–22 Lk 19:1–10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 19 Weekday Rv 4:1–11 Lk 19:11–28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 20 Weekday Rv 5:1–10 Lk 19:41–44

Friday

NOVEMBER 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Rv 10:8–11 Lk 19:45–48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 22 Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr Rv 11:4–12 Lk 20:27–40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 23 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Ez 34:11–12, 15–17 1 Cor 15:20–26, 28 Mt 25:31–46



November 16, 2014 + Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

"Stay awake." My siblings and I used to huddle in our rooms on Christmas night, determined to stay up for Christmas dawn. We'd inevitably fall asleep, awakening around dawn to find the presents already around the tree and Jesus in the manger.

"Stay awake," we would say again on New Year's Eve. This got a little easier as we got older and beat on pots and pans to celebrate the New Year.

Special occasions call for special wakefulness. We anticipate, we watch, we try to glimpse the first signs of the holiday, birthday, or first day of vacation. These are important to us, and we don't want to miss them.

"Stay alert," Paul says to us. "Prepare for the Master's return," Jesus says to us. At the end of the Church year, everything is about watchfulness. We reflect on the end times, when Christ will return in glory to judge the living and the dead and draw all creation to himself.

What happens in the end? We show God what we've done with his many gifts. We behave as children of light and refuse to fall asleep (a metaphor for turning away from God) so we'll be found waiting when Christ comes again. We keep the faith, knowing our hope is in the Lord.

When we were children, the temptation to fall asleep was great; we didn't always make it to the first minutes of celebration.



As adults in faith, the stakes are much higher. If we fall asleep here, we may miss the party altogether.

Let's encourage one another while we still have time.

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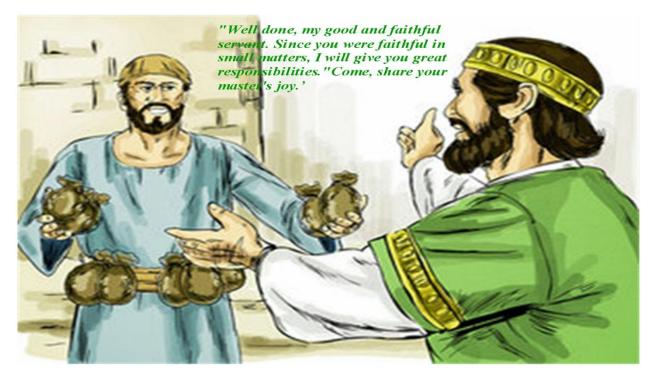
Ordinary Time

November 16 2014



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EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Both Before Mass and by Appointment. Mass Schedule for this Week Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions Sat 5:30 pm Mr. Gerard Armand Sun 9:00am Our Parish Family Mon 8:00 am Annette Moran Tues 8:00 am Ruth Osborne Wed 6:00 pm Jerry & Karen Lizana Thu 8:00am Rob. & Tam. Osborne Fri 8:00 am Michelle Lizana Burk

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Today's Gospel highlights the importance of being wise stewards of the gifts God has bestowed upon us. In the Church today few concepts are more misunderstood than the concept of **stewardship**. Many people when they hear the word "stewardship" immediately think of fundraising in the Church and of increasing the offertory collection. However, that is not the essence of stewardship as it is described in the parable from Matthew's Gospel today. Quite simply, a wise steward is the person who takes care of whatever he or she has received from the Lord and uses it for building up God's Kingdom here on earth.

Today's parable about the master giving out talents to his servants is an excellent example of the biblical concept of stewardship. The point of the story is clearly not about investing money but rather about using in a responsible way the gifts and abilities (called "talents") that God has poured out abundantly upon us. The parable speaks to us both as individuals and as members of a community of faith. Life at all levels has been given to us, not just for safekeeping, but for growth and development. This is the clear and consistent message from the Bible, beginning with the account of creation in the book of Genesis, "Be fruitful and multiply." Our God who created us out of love desires that we participate in this divine enterprise of ongoing creation.

To be alive in God is to grow and contribute to the well-being of our families and of others and indeed of all of humanity. As Christian stewards we have different abilities, different gifts, and different talents. What we have in common is the call from God to develop them responsibly and to put them at the service of the larger community. Stewardship is really an **attitude of gratitude** and needs to become a way of life for all of us. Good stewards realize that they did not earn their time, talent or treasure. Wise stewards see them as gifts from a loving God who asks us to imitate Him by sharing these gifts generously with others. And when we do, God's Kingdom begins to possess our minds and hearts in fact our whole lives and enables us to reach out and touch the lives of others. **Have a great week and may God bless all of us!** ...*Fr. Khoa*

<u>Next Weekend</u> is the Special Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development

<u>Mass at the Cemetary:</u> Thank you CYO, Altar Society, and everyone who helped set up the mass at the Wolf River Cemetary on All Saints Day.

<u>Thanksgiving Basket:</u> With Thanksgiving and Christmas quickly approaching, our Parish Charities office is anticipating the need for non-perishable items to help make the holidays special for those in need.

<u>*Yard Sale:*</u> Thank you **Beverly, Loretta, and all others** who helped this event on Nov 8 & 9.

Parish Council: meet this Saturday Nov 15 after 5:30 pm mass.

<u>Religious Ed:</u> CCD after 9:00am Sunday mass. During school year, we have Bible Study on Sundays for parents in the parish hall. We will study History of Salvation. Thank you.

 ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: ** 69

 \$1,437.00; Loose: \$1,780.00; Total: \$3,217.00;

 Children: \$29.00. Building Fund: \$176.14.

 All Saints: \$22.00. All Souls: \$2.00. Diocese of

 Biloxi: \$3.00

 OUR LADY OF CHARTRES

 STEWARDSHIP:

 Identifiable: \$114.00; Loose:

 \$117.00 Total: \$231.00.

 **Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.

 Thank you for your generosity.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Nov 15	Richard Dunlap	Doris Snowden, Sharon	Katelyn Casey	Doug Ladner	Reginald & Verna
5:30pm		Ladner, Henrietta Ladner	Leah Ladner	August	Mae Ladner
Nov 167:30	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Gil Aguirre	(OLC)
Sun Nov 16	Matthew Peleaz	Valeria Ladner, Marlow	Rylie Rines &	Robert Lizana	Kaison McGill
9am		Ladner, Robin Peterson	Conner	Pat Leimer	Keegan
Sat Nov 22	Richard Dunlap	W.C. King, Lenell King,	Katelyn Casey	Doug Ladner	Patricia Lizana
5:30pm		Doris Snowden	McKenna	Ira Necaise	
Nov 23 7:30	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Gil Aguirre	(OLC)
Sun Nov 23	Katelyn Moran	Dale Babin, Carolyn	Carson &	Robert Lizana	Jason & Lisa
9am		Brewer, Kim Wood	Kaison McGill	David	Necaise Family

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES

<u>**RCIA:</u>** RCIA classes are on Wednesdays 6:30pm from September to May at Parish Chapel. Please contact Tim Brogdon at 344-5449. Thank you.</u>

<u>Altar Society:</u> Meet on second Sundays. For more information, please contact Lenell King.

<u>CYO:</u> meet every other week on Sunday 6:00pm. You can visit St Ann CYO on www.facebook.com/stannslizanacyo or contact Katelyn Moran and Danielle Ladner.

<u>Church Cleaning</u>: Beverly Saucier will clean the church on Nov 16 & 23. Please contact Ellen West for more information.

<u>Bible Study:</u> We will study Mary on December 3, 2014. Classes are on Wednesdays 6:30-8 pm, and on Thursday from 9-10:30am at CCD Building. For more information, please contact Ruth Schonewitz and Henrietta Ladner

<u>*Project Hope and Compassion:*</u> For more information, please contact the office.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive information: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding ceremony.

<u>VISITATION OF THE SICK</u>: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560 or in emergency, 234-6005.

<u>MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS</u>: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Betty Pierce, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Annette Moran, Darlene Billingsley, Janet Thompson, Victoria Moran, Michael Gilbert, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Sr Joann Lowry, Ezekiel Rutherford, Helen O'Neal, and Loretta Ladner.

<u>PRAYER FOR 1000 SOULS.</u> Our Lord told St. Gertrude that the following prayer would release 1000 souls from purgatory each time it is said.

"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."