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Mon & Tues 9.00 - 11.00am
Friday 9.00am - 12.00pm

8th November 2020 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please Pray For Those Who Have Died

Recently Deceased:
Deceased:
Anniversary: Esmeria Ignacio; Victorino Ignacio; Beryl Elsley, Ronald O'Neill, Rita Nolan, Ron Porter, Emily Press, Coral Ryan, Angela Perry, Liam Rosewar, Gordon Baker; Adriano T. Liave, Joyce Wellard, Raymond Barr, James Barr, Ern Webster, Christopher Irwin, Kate Barr, Fr Stan Campbell, Michael Burraston, Noel Nelmes, Vera Forsyth, Judith Forsyth, Mary Conroy, Marjorie Fitzgibbon; Brian Conlan; Patricia McCarthy, Patricia Fitzsimmons, Norman Constable, Eugenia T. Liave, Pam Boulton, Elizabeth Murphy; Colleen Green, Mick McCarthy, Mons Clary Fisher, Molly Garrity, Gwen Taggart; Alphonus Nolan; Rita Nolan; Eileen Baker;
May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God Rest in Peace. Amen.
And for those who are ill:
Ray Lamb of Gunnedah; Les Ward, David Seiler; Rita Looney; Bobbie Paton; Fr John Willis; Fr John McHugh; Clare Crane; Bill Gleeson; Billy Goddard; Ros Turton; Gavin Sewell; Ian Gallagher; Fiona Nolan; Gail Martin; Wendy Brown; Sue Thomson; Lucy Gligi; Father Pat O'Neill; Tom Sanderson; Colleen Hyatt; Michael McCormick; Dan O'Donnell; Marie Dalton; Jack Dunn; Colin Gallagher; Andrew McManus; Ivy Taylor; Joan Greenree; Rosalynn Chan; all the members of the Parish who are ill.

Roster

14/11/2020 R: H Passfield
15/11/2020 R: D Ryan
C: K Sweep & J Daniels

Coming Events

- Clergy Retreat 8 November to 13 November 2020. No Mass in the Parish this week



Coronavirus

The following must be observed at all Masses:

- Please sign-in on the log-sheets every time you enter the church.
- Sanitise your hands, observe physical distancing and sit on allocated seats
- No congregational singing, only Father to sing; no Sign of Peace.
- Printed bulletins are for single use only and must not be reused by other people
- One single line during Holy Communion.

Saints to Remember

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - Feast - 9th
St Leo the Great - Memorial - 10th
St Martin of Tours - Memorial - 11th
St Josaphat - Memorial - 12th

November Mass Offerings

Please remember to have Masses offered for your deceased Relatives and Friends during the month of November. Envelopes are at the back of the Church.

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Clergy Retreat

8th - 13th November 2020

We remember in our prayers the Clergy of the Diocese for their annual retreat. May their spiritual journey give them more strength, courage and zeal to continue their ministry and service for the greater glory of God.

For our World today:

We pray for our world today, with all its happenings, its sufferings and joys, its tragedies and beauty, that people may be graced and guided in becoming more loving and forgiving to each other in the power of the Spirit. Amen



Compassionate God and Father of all, we are horrified at violence in so many parts of the world. It seems that none are safe, and some are terrified. Hold back the hands that kill and maim; turn around the hearts that hate. Grant instead your strong Spirit of Peace - peace that passes our understanding but changes lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Daily Mass Book - The books will be \$20.00 each **orders close this weekend.** They go from Advent to Advent. If you wish to purchase a Daily Mass Book please write your name on the sheet at the back of the Church. Many thanks.

JOSEPHITE CALENDARS Order your 2021 Josephite Calendar containing inspirational quotes from Mary MacKillop and Fr Tension Woods. A great gift to family and friends. Cost is \$8.00. Please write your name on the sheet attached and leave your money in the box. Many thanks.

Memorare

Remember, Our Lady of La Salette, true Mother of Sorrows, the tears you shed for me on Calvary. Remember also the care you have always taken to keep me faithful to Christ your Son. After having done so much for your child, you will not now abandon me. Inspired by this consoling thought, I come to cast myself at your feet in spite of my infidelities and ingratitude. Do not reject my prayer, O merciful Virgin, but intercede for my conversion, obtain for me the grace to love Jesus above all things, and to console you by a holy life, that I may one day see you in heaven. Amen.

Our Lady of La Salette reconciler of Sinners Pray without ceasing for us who have recourse to thee.

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Reflections on the Gospel

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 24: 42, 44, R. v. 2
Alleluia, alleluia! / Be watchful and ready: /
you know not when the Son of Man is
coming. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 25: 1-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew.

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: "Ten
kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten
bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet
the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and
five were sensible: the foolish ones did take
their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas
the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as
their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they
all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight
there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out
and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids
woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the
foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us
some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But
they replied, "There may not be enough for us
and for you; you had better go to those who
sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had
gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived.
Those who were ready went in with him to the
wedding hall and the door was closed, the other
bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they
said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I
tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay
awake, because you do not know either the day
or the hour."

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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BE PREPARED!

The parable of the Wise and Foolish
Bridesmaids addresses the situation of the
Church as it awaits the return of its Lord
(the 'Bridegroom'). The time of waiting has
become very long indeed but the Church still
proclaims: 'Christ will come again', and lives
in that hope and in the sense of accountability
that accompanies it. The key thing is to use
the time of waiting profitably, so as not to
be caught out when the Bridegroom arrives,
whether that be at the moment of death or
end of time.

The five wise and five foolish bridesmaids
depict two possibilities for believers. The oil
needed for their lamps represents the good
deeds that Jesus commends in this gospel,
especially the works of mercy that feature
so prominently in the parable of the Great
Judgement (Matthew 25:41-56). The five
wise bridesmaids will meet the Bridegroom
with their lamps blazing with this 'oil'. The
five foolish ones, on the other hand, represent
the kind of believers who cry out, 'Lord, Lord'
but have no good works to accompany their
confession of faith (see Matthew 7:21).

The parable—and the Gospel as a whole—
remind us that the words of dismissal at the
Eucharist, 'Go in peace, glorifying the Lord
with your life', are no perfunctory conclusion
to the rite but a programme for living the
twin commandments of love of God and love
of neighbour. Those who take them to heart
have always with them the 'oil' required for
salvation; they can 'sleep' without anxiety
about being caught short by the sudden arrival
of the Lord.

Brendan Byrne, SJ



THE SAVING WORD

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

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FIRST READING Wis 6: 12-16

A reading from the book of Wisdom.

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her,
she makes herself known to them.

Watch for her early and you will have no
trouble;

you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully
grown;

be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly
leave you.

She herself walks about looking for those
who are worthy of her

and graciously shows herself to them as they go.
In every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 62: 2-8, R. v. 2

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my
God.

1. O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.

My body pines for you

like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

2. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,

my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

3. So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.

My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

4. On my bed I remember you.

On you I muse through the night

for you have been my help;

in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **R.**



SECOND READING

1 Thess 4: 13-18

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to
the Thessalonians.

*Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life
with Jesus.*

We want you to be quite certain, brothers,
about those who have died, to make sure that
you do not grieve about them, like the other
people who have no hope. We believe that
Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be
the same for those who have died in Jesus: God
will bring them with him.

We can tell you this from the Lord's own
teaching, that any of us who are left alive until
the Lord's coming will not have any advantage
over those who have died. At the trumpet of
God, the voice of the archangel will call out
the command and the Lord himself will come
down from heaven; those who have died in
Christ will be the first to rise, and then those
of us who are still alive will be taken up in the
clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord
in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for
ever. With such thoughts as these you should
comfort one another.

■ The word of the Lord.

Shorter form, 1 Thess 4: 13-14