November 19, 2023

NOVEMBER 18 –SATURDAY Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8 Vigil Readings: *See Sunday* 4:00 PM –Fr. Jim *English* – Ken Horn 6:00 PM - Fr. Luca *Spanish*

NOVEMBER 19 – SUNDAY Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 9:00 AM – Fr. Luca Spanish 11:00 AM – Fr. David English – Jim Hamer 12:30 PM – Fr. Luca Spanish

NOVEMBER 20 – MONDAY 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18:35-43

NOVEMBER 21- TUESDAY 2 Mc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10 7:00 PM – Fr. Luca Spanish

NOVEMBER 22 – WEDNESDAY 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28 7:30 AM – Fr. Luca *English* – Fran Klosterman

NOVEMBER 23 – THANKSGIVING DAY Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19 9:00AM – Fr. Luca *Bilingual* – Ed LeSaint

NOVEMBER 24 – FRIDAY 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48 7:30 AM – Fr. Luca *English* – Fr. Joe Robinson

NOVEMBER 25 –SATURDAY 1 Mc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40 Vigil Readings: See Sunday 4:00 PM – English – Fr. Jim – Michael Murnan 6:00 PM - Spanish – Fr. Luca

NOVEMBER 26 – FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46 9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Luca 11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. David – Those Enrolled in the All Soul's Memorial 12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Luca

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Lectors: 4:00 PM – R. Welz 11:00 AM – B. Schinaman

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: 4:00 PM –K. Fahey/D. Mercer 11:00 AM – K. Gillespie

Servers: 4:00 PM – I. Browning/M. Sonenschein 11:00 AM – L. Finke

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM: Fox 11:00 AM: N/A

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Week's Collection: \$6,943 Offerings received to-date: \$147,661 Amount needed to catch up: \$12,339 Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. *Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering*. To take advantage of this convenience, please call 513-541-1563.

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our Week 13 winners: Nada Huron, Catherine Grosse, Dan & Nancy Staudigel. Each won \$25.

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Terrie Ashbrook (19), Deborah Holzapfel (19), Andrea Browning (19), Ximena Mellado Cuevas (19), Kay Roellig (20), Teresa Lalley (20), Barb Hebenstreit (21), Caycie Strotman (21), Sebastian Garitson (21), Remy Meyers (21), Scott Rice (22), Molly Miller (23), Steve Oberjohann (24).

FESTIVAL DAY! Make sure to stop by the school this afternoon for our annual Fall Festival. For food, fun, and fellowship you will surely find a lot to do today. See you there.

REFLECTION BY FR. RUDY



Fr. Rudy Coaquira-Hijale, MCCJ, pastor

Today is the Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the second to last Sunday in our liturgical year, and in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus shares the Parable of the Talents. а story that provides timeless а message for all ages. A "talent" in that era represented a significant amount, much like а substantial inheritance

today. The master, in this story, entrusts his servants with talents, symbolizing the manifold gifts God grants each of us—talents, abilities, and resources. We are but stewards of these divine endowments.

The Parable of the Talents conveys a profound message to share our faith and the gifts we have received from the benevolence of our Father. We are called to be proactive, to grow the gifts we have been given, and to use them to bless others. Just as a lump of coal becomes a precious diamond under pressure, so do our talents and faith grow through use and sharing. Our faith, like a mustard seed, starts small but flourishes when sown. And although we might be afraid to share our gifts, we are called to do so. We are challenged to invest, take risks, and increase the abundance of God's grace within us. This process mirrors a dynamic bank account: the more we deposit, the greater the dividends we and others will reap.

This parable's essence is clear: all good things come from God, and by offering them to the world, we participate in the divine economy. Sharing our talents, love, and faith multiplies them, bringing spiritual riches. It's not about the quantity of our talents but the quality of our stewardship. God measures our faithfulness by our willingness to sow, not our estimation of the talent's size. Imagine an analogy in today's context. If you were given a vast wealth of knowledge, would you hoard it or share it with those eager to learn? The more you teach, the more you understand, and the more your gift grows. Likewise, faith is most powerful when it's not concealed but passed on, when it touches and transforms others.

I urge you to break free from the fear of inadequacy and embrace the divine trust placed in us. Invest your talents, no matter how small you think they are, for God is the multiplier of what we offer to the world. In the end, we are called to be faithful stewards, nurturing others with our faith, and letting our light shine, so that in the end, we may hear those beautiful words: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

TIDINGS OF COMFORT AND JOY: Join us for our pre-Advent social open house at Gate of Heaven Cemetery, 11000 Montgomery Road, on Friday, December 1, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. The open house includes four dynamic choirs along with delightful refreshments. Please RSVP by calling 513-489-0300 or at <u>community@gateofheaven.org</u> by Nov. 20.

WORKSHOP ON FUNERAL PRE-PLANNING AND END-OF-LIFE DECISION-MAKING: Are you interested in learning more about Catholic teaching on end-oflife medical issues or pre-planning your Catholic funeral? Now and at the Hour of Our Death is an online workshop just for you, offered by the Pastoral Center of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Learn more and register at: https://resources.catholicaoc.org/divine-worshipand-sacraments/news/now-and-at-the-hour-ofourdeath.

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