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The Pastor's Pen....

Gospel

Matthew

Jesus tells the parable of the talents, in which he teaches about the importance of using the gifts that God has given to us in service to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Background on the Gospel Reading

This week's Gospel speaks of how Jesus' disciples are to conduct themselves as they await the Kingdom of Heaven. In the preceding passages and in last week's Gospel, Jesus taught that there is no way to predict the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven. His disciples must, therefore, remain vigilant and ready to receive the Son of Man at any time.

Jesus' parable talks about Christian discipleship using economic metaphors. Before he leaves on a journey, the master entrusts to his servants a different number of talents, giving to each according to their abilities. A *talent* is a coin of great value. Upon the master's return, he finds that the first and second servants have doubled their money, and both are rewarded. The third servant, however, has only preserved what was given to him because he was afraid to lose the money. He has risked nothing; he did not even deposit the money in a bank to earn interest. This servant is punished by the master, and his talent is given to the one who brought the greatest return.

Read in light of [last week's parable](#) of the wise and foolish bridesmaids, this parable teaches that God's judgment will be based on the service we render to God and to one another in accordance with the gifts that God has given to us. Our gifts, or talents, are given to us for the service of others. If we fail to use these gifts, God's judgment on us will be severe. On the other hand, if we make use of these gifts in service to the Kingdom of Heaven, we will be rewarded and entrusted with even more responsibilities.

This Gospel reminds us that Christian spirituality is not passive or inactive. Our life of prayer helps us to discern the gifts that have been given to us by God. This prayer and discernment ought to lead us to use our gifts in the service of God and our neighbor. God's grace allows us to share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven.

The celebration of the Mass and ideally our full, conscious and active participation in the Eucharist is our shared community act of prayer and worship. It is the summit to which we bring our Christian lives since we last gathered and the source from which we draw strength, grace and Spirit for the coming week. It is the Lord's Day, our regular and faithful remembering of his sacrificial death for us and his resurrection into life which opens up our way into the light of heaven. I'll end my sharing this weekend with the Opening Prayer or Collect of the Mass.

Grant us, we pray, O Lord our God, the constant gladness of being truly 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.

Fr. Mark Percival, MA, PP.

Advent Reflection Book - available from next weekend at the Churches or from the Parish Office. Advent is such a busy time of year and we so easily forget that - at its heart - it is meant to be a time of preparation, waiting and hope for the coming of Jesus into our world and lives.

To remind us of this, the parish has purchased "The Sign" a daily reflection book for Advent and the Christmas Season, which provides an opportunity for us to be still each day, listen to God, and come to know that Jesus is the whole reason for our being. Like Mary proclaimed in her Magnificat: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord." The Advent Program is a pocket-sized book that includes daily reflections from the beginning of Advent to the Baptism of the Lord. The book also includes beautiful artwork from the Masters with accompanying artwork reflections.

The Advent books will be available in both churches and at the parish from next weekend. A donation of \$5.00 per book would be appreciated to cover the costs the parish has expended. This donation can be placed in the normal parish collection at Mass, or use the Tap and Pay terminals at the doors of the churches, or pop into the parish office.

The Book of Life is displayed in both churches beside the Baptismal Font and Paschal Candle, connecting the Baptism of our loved ones into the eternal Light of Christ in new life. You are invited to write the names of your deceased loved ones, family and friends, into the Book of Life and all will be remembered and prayed for throughout November.

WEEKDAY LITURGIES

Wednesday 9.00 am St Joseph's - Mass
Thursday 9.00 am St Joseph's - Mass
Friday 9.30 am Christ the King - Mass

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5.30 pm St Joseph's
Sunday 8.00 am St Joseph's
9.30 am Christ the King
6.00 pm Christ the King

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 4.30 pm – 5.00 pm St Joseph's

Other times by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism for Children is celebrated by appointment on the following Sundays of the month

2nd Sunday 11.00 am St Joseph's
4th Sunday 11.00 am Christ the King

All enquiries to the Parish Office

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

(Printed so that users may pray daily the Liturgical Prayer of the Church)

THIRTY-THIRD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

- SUN, 19 NOV 33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thess 5:1-6;
Mt 25:14-30
(World Day of the Poor)
- MON, 20 NOV 1 Macc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64;
Lk 18:35-43
- TUE, 21 NOV The Presentation of Blessed Virgin Mary
- *Memorial*
2 Macc 6:18-31; Lk 19:1-10
(Alt. Zech 2:14-17; Mt 12:46-50)
- WED, 22 NOV St Cecilia, virgin, martyr, patron saint of musicians -
Memorial
2 Macc 7:1, 20-31; Lk 19:11-28
(Alt. Hosea 2:16-17, 21-22; Mt 25:1-13)
- THU, 23 NOV St Clement I, pope (3rd successor of St Peter), one of
the Apostolic Fathers, martyr, patron saint of mariners -
Optional Memorial
St Columban, abbot - *Optional Memorial*
- FRI, 24 NOV Sts Andrew Dũng-Lac, priest
and companions, martyrs of Vietnam - *Memorial*
1 Macc 4:36-37, 52-59; Lk 19:45-48
(Alt. Common of Martyrs)
- SAT, 25 NOV St Catherine of Alexandria, virgin, martyr, patron
saint of students, teachers, lawyers and librarians
- *Optional Memorial*
1 Macc 6:1-13; Lk 20:27-40

THIRTY-FOURTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

- SUN, 26 NOV OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING of the
UNIVERSE - *Solemnity*
Ezek 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28;
Mt 25:31-36

We remember and pray for all our parishioners living in aged care.

We pray for all who are suffering due to conflict, natural disaster and ill health.

May the recently deceased rest in peace:

Beryl Ross, Fr Greg Bourke ofm, Gordon McCormack

We pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Peter Doyle, Ann Doyle, Thomas Castles, Meg McGrath, Catherine O'Hagan, Peg Fitzgerald, Del Smith, Mary Shand, Ron Attwood, Ray Bull, Vincent Hall, Michael Bourke, Des Fitzgerald, John Cheyne, Dot Driscoll, Michael Powell, Anna Doan Nguyen, Dominic Trinh Can, Fr Jack Cheyne, Michael Maloney

Youth Group: Corinda Graceville Youth Group will meet for the final time this year on 24th November from 6.30pm to 8.30 pm at St Joseph's School Hall including a light supper. Contact Claire on 0490 202 194

HYMNS AND RESPONSES FOR SUNDAY MASSES

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (8.00 am MASS): "DISMISSAL FOR CHILDREN"

We send you now to hear God's word; God's message just for you.
Walk with Jesus by your side in ev'ry-thing you do.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

"PSALM 128: O BLESSED ARE THOSE"

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways,
O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

COMMUNION (Sunday 6.00 pm):

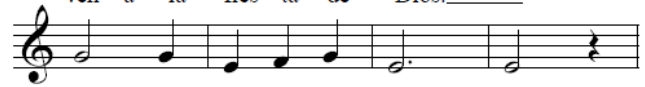
"COME TO THE FEAST / VEN AL BANQUETE"



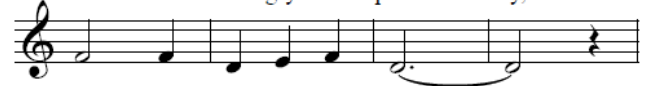
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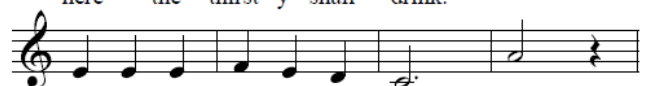
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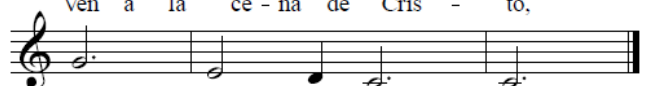
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here the thirst - y shall drink.



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come to the feast.

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Parish Choir Rehearsal: will be held on Thursday 23rd November at 7pm at St Joseph's Church. New singers are always welcome.

The Parish Choir: will be singing for the Saturday evening 5.30pm celebration of the Feast of Christ the King on 25th November.

St Vincent de Paul Meeting: The next meeting will be at 8.30am on Friday 1st December at the Parish Office.

Parish Calendar 2024: All Parish groups are invited to submit meeting / event / activity dates for the 2024 Parish Calendar to Michael at the parish office as soon as possible.

Children's Liturgy: Will be held for the last time this year at this Sunday's 8.00am Mass at St Joseph's Church. All primary school aged children and enrolled in the Sacramental Program are most welcome.

