

Thirty~second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 12, 2017

Dear Parishioners,

Those who were ready went into the wedding feast. (Matthew 25:10)

Today's parable of the ten virgins urges us to be alert and awake, ready for the time when Jesus will come again. Jesus wants to make it clear that a time will come when each person is either welcomed into heaven or finds the door barred before them. He wants to warn us so that no one gets left out.

But what's all this fuss about the virgins' supply of oil? It seems that it's the oil that determines whether we are ready to meet Jesus. We could call it our faith or the Holy Spirit or the grace of God. Whatever it is, it's something that we can't borrow from a friend. We have to be prepared with our own supply.

As frightening as this parable can seem, it can also fill us with hope. This parable tells us that anyone can be welcomed by Jesus, the Bridegroom, as long as they are alert, awake, and well supplied with the oil of salvation.

Staying alert and awake. Keeping our lamps aflame. Maintaining a good supply of oil. These are all ways of saying the same thing: Jesus wants us to keep our faith alive every single day. How can we do this? We can take our cue from St. Paul, who promised, "If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved" (Romans 10:9).

We have a prime opportunity to check our faith when we proclaim the Creed every Sunday at Mass. Actually, we can do this every day in our personal prayer. We can be sure that whenever we confess and believe, we bring a smile to God's face. Even if our faith is imperfect or incomplete, the Lord still smiles, and we can hear the angels announce, "Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!" (Matthew 25:6).

So let's proclaim our faith today. Let's fill up our oil flasks by announcing our belief in Jesus, our Savior.

"Jesus, I believe in you."

Called to Serve,

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour." - MATTHEW 25:13

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. Don't delay, how is God calling you to use your gifts today?

DID YOU KNOW?

Family travel safety rules

If you're traveling to spend Thanksgiving with friends or family, it's important that everyone in your group is up to speed on travel safety, and this safety starts at home. Make sure you have plans in place that let friends and family know where you're headed, and set up your house to look "lived-in" when you're on the road. Teach kids to pack smart—avoid bringing unneeded valuables and carry only the necessary ID cards and money in the event of an emergency. For a copy of the VIRTUS® article "Family Travel and Vacation Safety,":

<http://www.la-archdiocese.org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx> or call 213.637.7508.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

LaVerne Agnew, Brian Argusta, Joyce Barnett, Rose Ball, Percenia Beasley, Veronica Bearce, Fr. Emile Belletty, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Jeannie Chapron, Katherine Clark, Sister Ann Paul Clare, Agnes Cooper, Rita Cormire, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Jayden Dunn, Nigel Dunn, Gwen Files, Ferdinand Foye, Betty Flowers, Teresa Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Nancy Goosby, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Aaron Jittu, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Gloria McClaurin, Vydred Manor, Sister Marianna, Sabrina Markos, Dorothy Okoye, Martina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Dorothy Pulliam, Andrea Raggette, Dottie Rodriguez, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, George Simon, Sr., Maurice Simon, Jeremiah Skyes, Darnell Stang, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Johnnye Washington, Cassandra Williams, Thomas Williams, Peggy Wright and Emmerson Young.

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Wis 6:12-16, Ps 63:2-8, Mt 25:1-13
Monday	Wis 1:1-7, Lk17:1-6
Tuesday	Wis 2:23-3:9, Lk17:7-10
Wednesday	Wis 6:1-11, Lk 17:11-19
Thursday	Wis 7:22-8:1, Lk 17:20-25
Friday	Wis 13:1-9, Lk17:26-37
Saturday	Wis 18:14-19: 9, Lk18:1-8
Sunday	Prv 31: 10-31, Ps 128:1-5, Mt 25:14-30

Mass Intentions

Saturday	November 11
5:15 PM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Sunday	November 12
8:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
10:00 AM	Souls of Lawrence Payne, Jr., & Abria Payne
12:15 PM	Soul of Barbara Starks
Monday	November 13
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Tuesday	November 14
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Wednesday	November 15
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Thursday	November 16
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Friday	November 17
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
Saturday	November 18
5:15 PM	Soul of Excel Hunter
Sunday	November 19
8:00 AM	Souls of the Faithful Departed
10:00 AM	Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 PM	Intention of Regina Wiltz



Weekly Offering November 5, 2017

\$7,978.00 Tithes and Offerings
106.00 Building Fund
51.00 "We Care"

PCAP

11th Annual Peter Claver Awards Program Luncheon: Come out and celebrate with this year's honorees **Most Reverend Alexander Salazar, Reverend Bruce Correio, Deacon Douglass Johnson, Sr., and Deacon Charles Mitchell**, on Sunday, November 19, 2017, at the Proud Bird Restaurant at 1:00 PM. Tickets are \$75. Call Mable Simon at 323.296.1501 and Thelma Foye at 323.294.4530 to make your purchases.

In Observance of Veterans Day
the Church Office will be closed on
Monday, November 13, 2017

Please join us for our ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE Sunday, November 26, 2017

Transfiguration Parish Hall After all Masses.

New and Exciting Vendors

Jewelry, Accessories,
Christmas Ornaments,
Baked Goods, Yummy Food,
and Much More
Holiday Sale Items...



*Enjoy great music and
FREE picture taken with Santa*

Something for Everyone!

COME CHECK IT OUT!

For more information, call Vickie Race 310.259.6430
or Evelyn Payne 323.291.8325.

THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER Donations of Turkeys, Dressing, Canned Yams and Green Beans are needed...

Before you deliver your donations to the rectory
please call the office at 323.291.1136.

The Knights of Peter Claver 220 will prepare their Annual Thanksgiving Day Dinner on Thursday, November 23 for those who are unable to cook, or need a meal. Please provide us with your name, address, phone number, and how many dinners by calling Jo Ann Levi in the rectory office at 323.291.1136. Dinners will be delivered to your home.

Faithful Departed Masses

During November our Masses will be offered for the Faithful Departed. This is an opportunity for us to remember in prayer those who preceded us in death. We ask that you use your envelopes to list the names of those you wish to be included in our All Souls Masses. Additional envelopes are at the church exits.

Thank you

The beautiful flowers on the altar this week were donated by **Lucinda Hall-Rowe** in loving memory of her brother **LAWRENCE PAYNE** and her mother **ABRIA PAYNE**. If you would like to donate flowers, please call the rectory.

RCIA

Come, learn or renew your Catholic faith...
Tuesday, November 21 "To Jesus through Mary" by Deacon Mark Race at Holy Name of Jesus (*Acacia Center*), 1955 W. Jefferson in Los Angeles from 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM.