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Monday to Thursday: 9:30am- 12pm & 1pm- 8pm

Friday: 9:30am- 12pm & 1pm- 7pm

Saturday: 9:30am- 5pm

Religious Ed. Office Hours:

Tuesday to Friday: 1pm to 5pm

Tuesday & Thursday: 5pm to 8pm (Appt. Preferred)

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday (Vigil): 5:00pm in English

Sunday: 8:30am in English

10:00am & 11:30am in Spanish

1:00pm in Polish

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday - Saturday: 8:30am in English

Wednesday & Friday: 7pm in Spanish

First Friday Mass & Devotion

In English: Mass at 8:30am: Devotion from 9am to 6:45pm

In Spanish: Mass at 7pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sat. 4:00pm - 4:45pm & by appointment: call parish office

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants

In English: First Saturday of the Month

In Polish: Second Saturday of the Month

In Spanish: Third Saturday of the Month

Registrations must be made in the Rectory Office at least two months in advance.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must be made at least six months to a year with one of the Priests.



Dear Padre

November 19, 2023

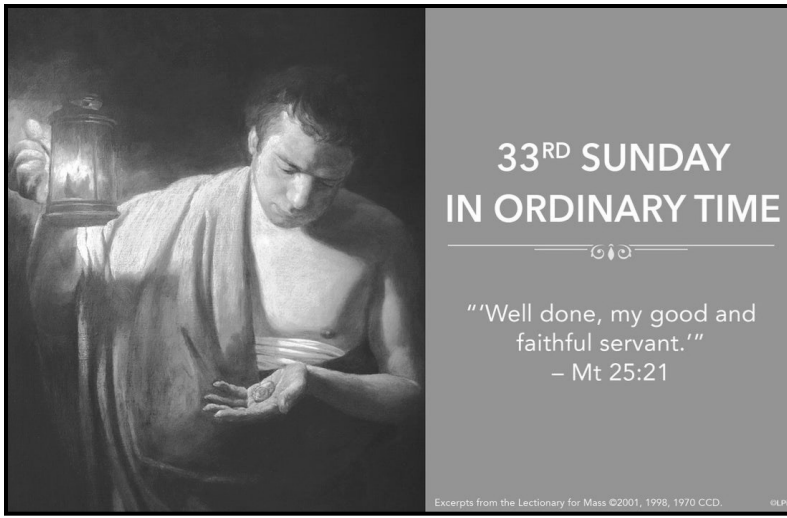
My grandmother says Catholics used to fast from midnight until they received Communion. When did the fasting time change to only one hour, and why?

The ancient discipline of fasting before Communion became a universal practice by the fifth century. Until 1953, those who would receive holy Communion refrained from consuming food, water, and medicine from midnight to the time of Communion. In 1953 and 1957, Pope Pius XII reduced the fast from food to three hours and from water for one hour (*Christus Dominus* and *Sacram Communionem*).

In 1966, Pope St. Paul VI further reduced the fast to one hour and allowed water and medicine at any time (*Paenitemini*). In 1973, he reduced the fast for the sick and elderly to fifteen minutes before Communion when one hour is prohibitive (*Immensae Caritatis*).

The loosening of the restrictions was in no way intended to lessen the reverence for the holy Eucharist. The changes were made to allow as many Catholics as possible to receive the Eucharist, which can be difficult when priests are in short supply. For the same reason, *Immensae Caritatis* also allowed the practice of having extraordinary ministers give Communion. Despite the changes to the Communion fast, unity and uniformity have been maintained. And of course, Catholics are free to fast before Communion beyond the duration and degree currently prescribed. ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org



33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Well done, my good and
faithful servant.”
– Mt 25:21

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Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 19th

- 8:30am +Elizabeth Oliapuram
10:00am +Belgica Capurro– Familia
Para la Salud de Jose Bravo– Familia
11:30am +Alfonso Flores Palma– Esposa y Familia
1:00 pm +Helen & Andrew & Sophie Popko– Janina
Popko

Monday, November 20th

- 8:30am For All the Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, November 21st

- 8:30am +Varkey Oliapuram

Wednesday, November 22nd

- 8:30am +Angel Guivas– Jornadistas
7:00pm +Pedro Fuentes

Thursday, November 23rd

- 8:30am For the People of the Parish

Friday, November 24th

- 8:30am +Joseph Oliapuram
7:00pm Special Intentions

Saturday, November 25th

- 8:30am For the Youth of the Parish
5:00pm For the People of the Parish

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

She brings him good, and not evil,
all the days of her life.
She obtains wool and flax
and works with loving hands. (Prv 31:12-13)

Psalm:

Blessed are those who fear the Lord. (Ps 128)

Second Reading:

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness,
for that day to overtake you like a thief.
For all of you are children of the light
and children of the day. (1 Thes 5:4-5)

Gospel:

“Since you were faithful in small matters,
I will give you great responsibilities.
Come, share your master's joy.” (Mt 25:21)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

God entrusts special gifts to each of us, but they
are not gifts to be hoarded and hidden. Let's
work each and every day to multiply those gifts
in the world.

Observances for the week of November 19, 2023

- Sunday:** 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday: The Presentation of the Blessed
Virgin Mary
Wednesday: St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
Thursday: St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr;
St. Columban, Abbot; Bl. Miguel Agustin
Pro, Priest and Martyr; Thanksgiving Day
Friday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest,
and Companions, Martyrs
Saturday: St. Catherine of Alexandria,
Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Nancy Cucinotta, Isabel Reyes, Silverio Euceda, Charles Duryee,
Maria Cortez, Hipolito Cortez, Natividad Cortez, Anthony Orea,
Pedro Cordero, William Rodriguez, and for all the deceased in our
Parish & their loves ones.

FOR THE SICK:

Judith Terrillo Ciejka, Ana Maria Marte, Rudy Rios, Magdala Rios,
Kaitlyn Intintoli & for all the sick in our Parish.

*Please call the Rectory at 718.436.5917 to place your loved ones on
the Deceased or Sick list.*

WEEKLY OFFERING

November 12th, 2023: TBA

*Thank you for your love and
generosity towards God & your
parish!*

19 de noviembre de 2023

33er Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Las tres lecturas de este domingo nos recuerdan que estamos al final del año litúrgico. La primera narra la belleza de una mujer hacendosa y trabajadora, la que con sus manos hace labores hermosas y socorre al que está en desgracia. Pablo hace una invitación personal para vivir confiados en el encuentro definitivo con el Señor. “Todos ustedes son hijos de la luz e hijos del día: no somos de la noche ni de las tinieblas” (Tesalonicenses 5:3). El Evangelio hace hincapié en los talentos que Dios nos ha regalado, pues sobre ellos daremos cuenta a Dios. ¿Qué regalos he recibido de Dios? ¿Cómo los hago producir? Existe un regalo de Dios para todos y es universal, se llama amor.

Señor, ayúdame a hacer crecer los regalos que me has dado. Que sepa compartir lo que soy y lo que tengo, que no sea egoísta, ni estéril en mis propósitos. También, ayúdame a ayudar a mi familia y amigos que han enterrado sus talentos por miedo a perder y equivocarse. “Todos hemos recibido de Dios un patrimonio como seres humanos, una riqueza humana, del tipo que sea. Y como discípulos de Cristo, también hemos recibido la fe, el Evangelio, el Espíritu Santo, los sacramentos, y tantas otras cosas. Estos dones hay que emplearlos para hacer el bien, el bien en esta vida, como servicio a Dios y a los hermanos” (Papa Francisco 11-15-2020). Recuerda esta frase: “Al atardecer de la vida, seremos examinados en el amor” San Juan de la Cruz.



SCA Jornadistas Grupo de Jovenes

¿Quién somos?

Jornadas de Vida Cristiana es un movimiento de Jóvenes Adultos y Latinos Jóvenes con la misión de evangelizar a los jóvenes en toda la ciudad de Nueva York.

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Segunda iluminación de los Angeles navideños de SCA (2 de diciembre)

Este año, los invitamos a conmemorar u honrar a un ser querido adoptando un ángel. Estos Ángeles iluminarán nuestra Parroquia y recordarán a todos que Jesús es la luz del mundo.

Hay 50 ángeles que necesitan adopción.

Adopta un Ángel para sus intenciones (\$120)

Únase a una familia en la adopción de un ángel (\$60)

Por favor elige UNA de las siguientes Intenciones para tu Ángel.

1. EN MEMORIA DE _____.
2. EN HONOR DE _____.

Los formularios completos deben devolverse a la rectoría antes del 30 de noviembre con el pago.
Para más información, comuníquese con la oficina de la rectoría al 718.436.5917

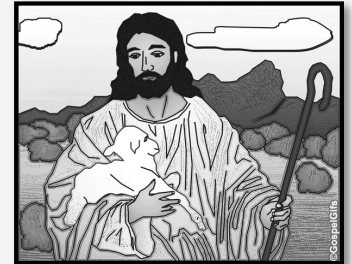
19 LISTOPADA 2023

XXXIII Niedziela Zwykła

Śmierć to największa i najważniejsza tajemnica w naszym życiu.

W nas refleksja o śmierci i umieraniu. Jest to najważniejsza tajemnica, z jaką przyjdzie się nam spotkać w przyszłości. Właściwie nie ma niczego ważniejszego w naszym życiu, jak wejście w misterium śmierci. Czym ono jest? Co jest po drugiej stronie śmierci?

Samo życie zostało nam dane bez naszego udziału jako dar. Podobnie śmierć jest czymś, co nieuchronnie nas czeka, czy tego chcemy, czy nie. Pomiędzy życiem i śmiercią istnieje nieprzezwycięzalny konflikt: albo życie, albo śmierć. Tak to przynajmniej widzimy w perspektywie życia ziemskiego. Pismo święte, wskazując na tajemnicę zmartwychwstania, mówi o tym, że życie jednak jest mocniejsze od śmierci, bo Bóg, dawca życia, jest, miłośnikiem życia”.



Druga Księga Machabejska mówi o męczeństwie siedmiu braci i ich matki. Wskazuje na głęboką wiarę w zmartwychwstanie: *Lepiej jest nam, którzy ginieemy z ludzkich rąk, a którzy w Bogu pokładamy nadzieję, że znowu przez Niego będziemy wskrzeszeni. Dla ciebie bowiem nie ma wskrzeszenia do życia* (2 Mch 7,14). Dla tych braci zmartwychwstanie ma charakter pozytywny, to znaczy jest zmartwychwstaniem do życia. Co prawda w Ewangelii św. Jana Pan Jezus mówi także o „zmartwychwstaniu potępienia” (zob. J 5,29). W tym przypadku jednak trudno mówić o życiu, bo życie w sensie biblijnym ma zawsze charakter pozytywny i oznacza istnienie w obliczu Boga. Zmartwychwstanie potępienia musi oznaczać istnienie w fatalnej strukturze egoistycznego zamknięcia

Modlitwa za naszych zmarłych w
naszym kościele:
12, 19, 26 Listopada / Niedziela
12:50PM

(Godziny Urzędowe po Polsku)

Poniedziałek (Monday):
1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Środa (Wednesday):
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

“Świąteczne Anioły” w naszej parafii.

W tym roku zapraszamy do upamiętnienia lub uhonorowania ukochanej osoby poprzez adopcję Anioły, które będą oświetlone i ustawione przed naszym kościołem 3 grudnia 2023. Aniołowie rozświetlą naszą parafię i przypomną wszystkim, że “Jezus jest światłością świata”.

Nasza parafia dysponuje tylko 50 Aniołami do adopcji.

Adoptuj Anioła dla swoich intencji (\$120)
Dołącz do innej rodziny lub znajomych w adopcji Anioła (\$60)

1. OFIARODAWCA _____
2. DEDYKOWANE _____

Wypełnione formularze należy zwrócić na plebanię do 30 listopada wraz z wpłatą.
Więcej informacji w biurze plebanii pod numerem 718.436.5917

November 19, 2023

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

When I was a kid, I hated playing Monopoly because my siblings and friends always seemed to win. But worse was how it happened. Scared to risk my fake money on buying properties, I'd hold on to it. My opponents hungrily bought up the various real estate squares on the board. Then, inevitably, my poor, low-equity self would land on their spots, pay them rent, and my money would drain to zero. It seemed so unfair. The rich get richer, and the poor get poorer. I had to learn that monopoly money is meant to be spent. I was scared to lose some of it. So, I lost all of it.

How do we see what we possess? Jesus' parable about the talents is not really about economics but about the investability of everything he entrusts to us. How marvelous that everyone in the fable who places talents in the open market doubles their investment. The only one who doesn't is the man who fearfully buries his one talent. Jesus' success strategy for us seems to be, whatever we have, get it out of our possession. Risk it as quickly and as fully as we can.

You and I have precious gifts. We have valuable things to invest — time, talents, treasure. The Lord invites us to be brave and even somewhat reckless, to give as much away as possible. If we give it away in the direction of love and truth, it will grow. If we hold on to it in fear, the little we have will be taken away. Let me challenge you this week: find something in your life you're holding on to, and risk it by giving it away. It won't double if you hold on to it.

— Father John Muir



SCA Jornadistas

Youth Group

Who are we?

Jornadas de Vida Cristiana is a Catholic Movement of Latino Youth and Young Adults whose mission is to bring the message of Jesus Christ to the youth of New York City.

*We meet every Friday 7pm to 9pm
In the Parish Annex*

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SCA Second Christmas Angels Lighting

This year, we invite you to memorialize or honor a loved one by adopting an Angel. These Angels will light up our Parish ground and remind everyone that Jesus is the light of the world.

There are 50 Angels in need of adoption.

Adopt an Angel for your intentions (\$120)

Join a fellow family in adopting an Angel (\$60)

Please choose ONE of the following Intentions for your Angel.

1. IN MEMORY of _____.
2. IN HONOR of _____.

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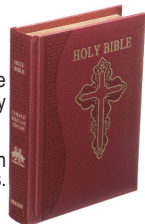
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