

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – NOVEMBER 13TH, 2011



Today's parable teaches us what to do during the delay while awaiting our Master's return: we are to live in such a way that we grow in our greatest "property" — the divine life that has been given us. If, like the lazy slave in the parable, we focus on our fear and Christ's judgment, we will be paralyzed in our ability to continue using the "talents" we have been given to continue Christ's work of salvation. However, if we focus on the promised share in the "master's joy," then we will be willing to risk what we have in order to grow in our most prized property—our share in divine life and the relationship with Christ. The Christian life and journey of discipleship begins with unmerited and unimaginable blessing—a share in God's life. When we are faithful it will end even more wondrously—we will enter fully into the "master's joy."

The faithful wife in the first reading uses her talents to serve both family and neighbour because she is moved to do so by the tender love of her husband who has entrusted his greatest treasure to her—his heart. We are moved to serve both God and others by the greatest treasure given to us—the love of God.

We all experience moments or situations when fear paralyzes us and we feel unable to act. What helps us get beyond our fear and inaction is discovering that we possess hidden strengths that enable us to deal with the situation.

NOVEMBER Is when we intentionally remember our deceased family, friends and benefactors. A Book of Remembrance is available for you to write down the names of **DECEASED** family members for whom we will pray throughout this month. **ALL SOULS** envelopes are also available in the vestibule. These envelopes will be placed on the altar throughout November. You may place your envelopes in the Sunday collection or drop them off at the parish office.

CWL MEETING On Saturday, November 19th, after the 9:00 am Mass, the ladies of the CWL invite you to their monthly meeting. All ladies of the parish are welcome.

HOME MISSIONS A second collection will be taken up next weekend for the support of our archdiocese's native ministry in areas ranging from downtown Vancouver to the isolated community of Annahim Lake. It also provides pastoral care for the many sailors who pass through the area ports each year and assists the inner city poor. Your generosity will be much appreciated.

POTLUCK SUPPER On Saturday, November 26th, after the 5:00 pm Mass, we will have a potluck supper. All parishioners are invited to bring a dish to share. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule of the Church. Bring your family and friends for an evening of fun. Mark this event in your calendar.



IRISH JESUITS' SACRED SPACE 2012 This popular prayer book is now available for your purchase, \$16 a copy. You can enquire at the Parish Office. Limited copies.

CLERGY STUDY WEEK Most of the priests will be at Harrison for the annual study week from Nov. 14th evening to November 18th. We are grateful to Fr. Peter Chiang who will celebrate the weekday Mass here. Let us pray for our priests during their gathering.

† MASS INTENTIONS †

Monday	Nov. 14	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Anna Nyuk-Moi Liew
Tuesday	Nov. 15	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Eugene Purugganan.
Wednesday	Nov. 16	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Dr. & Mrs. Narciso Reyes.
Thursday	Nov. 17	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the special intentions of Christine & Antony Heung.
Friday	Nov. 18	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of John Paul Larkin.
Saturday	Nov. 19	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the living & deceased members of the Legion of Mary. <u>5:00 p.m.</u> For the special intentions of All Holy Name Parishioners.
Sunday	Nov. 20	<u>9:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Romeo Meneghello. <u>11:00 a.m.</u> For the repose of the soul of Martin Dee.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CONCLUDING CELEBRATION

The organizers cordially invite you to the Concluding Celebration on Sunday, November 13th, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at Holy Name Parish hall. There will be food and refreshments, praise and worship and a chance to share experiences with fellow pro-lifers. Come and give thanks to God for all that He has done throughout these wonderful 40 days. If you've been praying with us at home or in Church, we would like to meet you. Anyone is welcome! Bring your family and friends.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HNJ CWL CRAFT FAIR SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2011 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

In conjunction with the K/C Pancake Breakfast. Come and shop from a variety of handmade crafts, fashion scarves and toques, children's knitwear, quilts and quillows and much more.
SEE YOU THERE!

Raffle Draw: December 11th—1st Prize Queen-size handmade Quilt

RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults We will be starting the RCIA program again in our parish. **We will have the introduction meeting on Saturday, Nov. 19th at 10:00 am.** The program consists of weekly discussion meetings on topics of interest to you. It is for anyone wanting to explore the meaning of life: 1. The unbaptized who are looking for a faith community in which to worship, 2. Others who already belong to a faith community and are exploring full communion with the Catholic Church, and 3. Many who are also in this journey are Catholics wanting a deeper understanding of their Catholic faith. If interested in joining us or helping in any capacity, please call the rectory office at 604-261-9393.

MADONNA HOUSE Join Madonna House for a morning of recollection—a time of peace, quiet reflection and friendship—on Saturday, November 19 from 9:30 am to noon. Meet at St. John the Apostle's Parish hall at 5457 Trafalgar Street. Call MH for more information at 604-267-1757 or email: madonna02@shaw.ca Bring your bibles and rosaries. Next meeting will be December 17th.

B. C. CHRISTIAN MEDITATION COMMUNITY Is holding a day of Meditation and Reflection on Saturday, November 26 at Sacred Heart Parish, 525 Campbell Ave. Fr. Gabriel OP will be the guest speaker. Registration starts at 9:00 am at the Kateri House, program to begin at 10:00 am in the church following Mass at 9:30 am. Everyone welcome. Bring your own bag lunch and snack.

WAITING...IN JOYFUL HOPE ADVENT TWILIGHT RETREAT Advent Reflection by Fr. Rudolf D'Souza OCD at Guardian Angels Parish, Vancouver, on Nov.25 and by Fr. David Sadjak, SDB, at Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish, Surrey, on Nov.28. Cost: \$15 per person, light supper included. Online registration at: www.rcav.org/ore/twilight/ Fax 605.689-5673 or mail response by Nov. 21.

2011 PROJECT ADVANCE: Touching Many Lives!

Total pledges/gifts: \$95,682.25

of donors: 221 out of 540 Registered Households
Archdiocese Assessment: \$35,900 plus \$3000 expenses
Total Parish Goal —\$100,000

You may give online at www.rcav.org/project advance; or put your pledge in the Sunday collections; or mail it to the Parish Office. **Thank YOU!!! Every gift is welcome!**

Scripture Readings



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Proverbs 31; Ps. 128; 1Thess. 5:1-6;
Matt. 25:14-30

Nov. 14, Mon., 1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-64;
Ps. 119; Luke 18:35-43

Nov. 15, Tues., 2 Maccabees 6:18-31; Ps. 3; Luke 19:1-10

Nov. 16, Wed., 2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31; Ps. 17;
Luke 19:11-28

Nov. 17, Thurs., **St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious**
1 Maccabees 2:15-29; Ps.50; Luke 19:41-44

Nov. 18, Fri., 1 Maccabees 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chronicles 29;
Luke 19:45-48

Nov. 19, Sat., 1 Maccabees 6:1-13; Ps. 9; Luke 20:27-40

STEWARDSHIP: A Disciple's Response

In today's Gospel, Jesus delivers the parable of the talents; using the example of money rather than abilities or skills. It's a story about investments, risks and returns. Stewards understand that God has given them an abundance of spiritual gifts. They know God doesn't want them to simply receive these blessings and bury them in fear, but to multiply them; to use these gifts to serve Him and others; to spread Christ's Good News; to go and make disciples of others. Good stewards invest what God has given them in the service of others and are prepared to render an account when the Lord returns.

RELIGIOUS CRAFTS FROM THE HOLY LAND

Will be available after the weekend Masses on December 3rd and 4th as a means to support the Christian minority families in Bethlehem and Jerusalem. This is our little way of assisting the livelihood of the remaining Christians rooted in the Land of Christ. You can buy the crafts for gifts or collection.

CONCERT AT HOLY ROSARY CATHEDRAL

Saint Andrew's-Wesley United Church organist Darryl Nixon in concert at Holy Rosary Cathedral. Works by Rutter, Bach, Liszt and others. Giant screen. Friday Nov. 25 - 8 p.m. Tickets: \$20 / Students and Seniors \$15, info: 604-682-6774 http://hrc.rcav.org/Concert_Series/index.htm