For those who have had the experience of keeping watch over a sick person through the night, especially if it was a very close loved one, you know what it means to fight off sleep. You do everything in your power to stay awake; you use every ounce of strength; you draw on all your resources, but even so you fall asleep, perhaps only briefly, moments that escape your control. The same happens in life: though we try with all our might to stay alert, sometimes we just fall asleep.

We fall asleep out of tiredness or out of distrust. We fall asleep because we are disappointed or because we don’t want to see the truth of things around us. We fall asleep because we are superficial or because we have lost the courage to hold out a little longer.

This passage of the Gospel describes the sleepiness that spreads through the community. We fall asleep because we want to see the truth of things. We fall asleep out of fatigue or out of distrust. We fall asleep because we have never cared about the Bridegroom and that is why they are unprepared now.

In the middle of the night, even in the deepest darkness, a cry of joy will wake us. The night cannot last forever; the Bridegroom will return. Do not put your lamps away in a closet but have them on hand and lit, even if the world says that it’s foolish and pointless.

Questions for personal reflection:
- What do you do to keep your lamp lit?
- What do you do in moments of darkness in your life?

Therefore, oil is the symbol of very deep and very personal gestures. Perhaps it is for this reason the foolish virgins have little luck at the marketplace. There are situations in life that we must do alone, things that no one else can do for us. There are situations that we must be prepared for because there won’t be another opportunity.

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In the second Sunday in Ordinary Time we will find our way.

The Parable of the Ten Virgins

For those who have been waiting for the Bridegroom, the one we have been waiting for is finally returning: the Bridegroom, the one that brings the fullness of life. But according to the parable, everyone falls asleep both the wise virgins and the foolish ones. It is as if to say that falling asleep is inevitable, a fact of life. It is not avoiding sleep that differentiates the wise from the foolish.

The parable centers on different symbols: the lamp and the oil. They are common symbols throughout the Bible. The lamp reminds us of Jesus’ invitation to be the light of the world, that the lamp cannot be hidden under a bushel. It reminds us that life should not be wasted and that we can’t hide from life. It also reminds us of the City on a Hill that shines for the wayfarers, so that they can see their goal, just as our lives should shine for others and help them find their way.

The ten virgins with their lamps especially remind us of the community invited to dance for joy and celebrate the coming of the Bridegroom. It is the symbol of the Church called to wait joyfully for the coming of Christ. This symbol could remind us of the Jewish interpretation of the chorus of virgins in the Song of Songs: the disciples that carry the light of the Law (the Torah) and keep watch for the Messiah.

The lamp however needs oil to continue to shine; it is the oil used to keep watch for and welcome the Bridegroom, the oil of welcoming. But oil is also what the Good Samaritan uses to heal the wounds of the man beaten down by life. And above all, oil is what is used to anoint and consecrate the Messiah, He for whom our hearts continuously hope.

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Why Eucharistic Adoration is Essential for Soul and Body
by Taylor Tripodi
https://media.ascensionpress.com

Fear, however, is not the only thing}

**DETACHMENT AND EMPTINESS**

Jesus expects us to be completely empty of any desire for anything that is not within the Divine Will. He tells Luisa, “My daughter, the sun is a sign of grace...” He says that we should be empty space and a little opening into space with which to perceive the Divine Will and fill and vitally feel everything with its light...it does not enter but into emptiness. —Thy Will, not mine, be done.”

This may seem hard, but really, detachment only exists when we choose to surround ourselves with and mingle ourselves in those things that we need to be detached from. So we need to be extremely careful and intentional about what we surround ourselves with: what our homes are filled with, what our conversations consist of, with whom we speak, what we do, when we do it, and so on. Our whole lives need to be full of things that do not breed attachment.

One thing especially that makes living in the Divine Will imperative is mundane, idle, vain, worldly conversation. Jesus tells Luisa, “One who talks much without thought, that he is empty in his interior, while in his exterior he is filled with vanity; he who has more taste in his interior, does not want to lose that taste... he tries, as much as he can, to impress in others that which he feels within himself. On the other hand, one who has much taste is not only empty of God, but of all his much talking day by day, emptying others of God.”

That might sound harsh, but when we recognize the power of our words in the world of today, we should account for every idle word we speak. St. Francis of Assisi said, “Talikat is sacred; even a talkative soul cannot be sanctified.”

Now complete detachment also means being detached from even those things we love ourselves. First of all, this means complete detachment from our own past, or others’ pasts. Jesus said to her, “the thought of past things is clearly a profoundly real absurd — it is like wanting to claim the Divine Right!”

But it is true that we all have to examine our lives to see if we are succeeding in working toward becoming detached from ourselves and others. A rough examination of the day-to-day is a good thing to begin this regard. But if it becomes much more that, sanctification can easily become consumption, instead of a disinterested, instead of a disinterested, endeavor.

Jesus tells Luisa that “Not thinking of oneself, but thinking only of Me, and always putting the Divine Will in the time of enrichment, while thinking of oneself, you do not do the Divine Will.” In everything that we do, not only is it necessary to feel that we can, but there are days and weeks and months when we don’t do a single thing to please God. When I notice a change...

Mark the words that Jesus said to Luisa:

“Fear, however, is not the only thing you choose to take time to pray. And how do we achieve that? We even need to be detached from our prayer intention; at least those which might or might not be God’s Will. We can and should still pray for things: for healthiness, for safety, for prayer intentions we have had in the past, and what not. But at the end of all such intentions we should add, at least internally, “Thy Will, not mine, be done.”

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The Rosary Will Bring Protection

by Gisella Cardia

Our Lady to Gisella Cardia on July 25th, 2000:

Dear children, thank you for being gathered here in prayer and for having listened to my call in your hearts. All children, continue every day in prayer, especially in the recitation of the Rosary which is the sole protection that you will have against evil. Children, look around your earthquakes, tsunamis, devastating storms will not stop – only prayer recited with the heart can change things, but it will only be effective, because that is how it has been written. Abandon you will not in the will of God. You are accustomed to living a mechanized life; abandon the things of earth and have more consideration for the things of heaven, because only thus will you be able to walk along the more difficult but more correct path. Pay attention, children, do not fall into the devil's trap: I love you and I want you to be saved. I would like my army of light to be able to walk along the more difficult path. Now I leave you with my holy blessing in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

*This should not be taken as implying that other forms of prayer have no value, but as emphasizing the special role of the Rosary as a spiritual weapon — a role underscored in the writings of many mystics past and present, and additionally confirmed by the testimonies of many exorcists. The time is coming, and is already here again for many, when public Masses will no longer be available. In that regard, recourse to Jesus through this efficacious prayer will be crucial. Servants of God, Sr. Lucia of Fatima alluded to this as well:

Now if God, through Our Lady, had asked us to go to Mass and receive Holy Communion every day, there would undoubtedly have been a great many people who would have said, quite rightly, that this was not possible. Some, on account of the distance separating them from the nearest Church where Mass was celebrated; others on account of the circumstances of their lives, their state in life, their job, the state of their health, etc. Yet, “On the other hand to pray the Rosary is something everybody can do, rich and poor, wise and ignorant, great and small. All people of good will can, and must say the Rosary every day.”

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Lentilian Ministry Schedule

**Week of November 9–14**

**Weekday Masses**

- SACRISTAN: Mimi Tosh
- GREETER: Anna Hudbock
- LECTOR: David Alusick
- EMOCH: Mimi Tosh
- SERVER: ——

**November 15-16**

- 33rd Sunday OT: 4:00 pm
  - 8:00 am
  - 11:00 am
  - 6:00 pm
- SACRISTAN: Mimi Tosh
- GREETER: Anna Bozinski
- LECTOR: John Morris
- EMOCH: ——
- SERVER: ——

**Week of November 19–25**

- SACRISTAN: Mimi Tosh
- GREETER: Anna Bozinski
- LECTOR: Mark Choman
- EMOCH: Parsihioner
- SERVER: Pastor

**Week of November 26–30**

- SACRISTAN: Anna Hrycenko
- GREETER: Walter Bennett
- LECTOR: Albert Baloga
- EMOCH: ——
- SERVER: ——

**Christmas Mass Schedule**

- PLEASE NOTE: The 4 pm Mass for Christmas Eve is already filled. Please do not call the rectory asking to be put on the 4 pm Mass for Christmas Eve. It won’t happen.

- Choices now open are
  - Christmas Mass at Night
    - 10:00 pm

**Christmas Mass at Dawn**

- 8:00 am

Christmas Mass during the Day

Please consider participating in one of these Christmas Masses.
**MASS ATTENDANCE FOR NOVEMBER 14-15, 2020**

**Saturday Vigil—4 pm**

1. Bonny Alexy 43  
2. Mary Ann Ambers 44  
3. Nancy Ambers 45  
4. Marcela Antolik 46  
5. Nita Babb 47  
6. Anne Bergold 48  
7. John Bergold 49  
8. Michelle Blower 50  
9. Michael Budyzin 51  
10. Elaine Buynak 52  
11. Stephen Buynak 53  
12. Florence Check 54  
13. Christian Choman 55  
14. Joan Danisianko 56  
15. Michelle Danisianko 57  
16. Roxanne Degnan 58  
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18. Elaine Devine 60  
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20. David Divovsky 62  
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28. Camille Glazenski 70  
29. Frank Glazenski 71  
30. Eileen Horensky 72  
31. Stephen Horensky 73  
32. Thom Jagoda 74  
33. Diane Kane 75  
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35. Elaine Klukoske 77  
36. William Klukoske 78  
37. Donald Koval 79  
38. Joanne Koval 80  
39. Robert Koval 81  
40. Maureen Lavelle 82  
41. Damian Lendacky 83  
42. Karen Luce 84

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1. Connor Albert 43  
2. Mary Albert 42  
3. Tim Albert 45  
4. Edward Balicki 46  
5. Maureen Baliga 47  
6. Jackie Barkus 48  
7. Rob Barkus 49  
8. Helen Blyman 50  
9. Mary Blyman 51  
10. Anthony Bonczewski 52  
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23. William Hogan 65  
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26. Linda Humanik 68  
27. Diane Jannick 69  
28. Andrew Katsock III 70  
29. Andrew Katsock IV 71  
30. Artie Katsock 72  
31. Mary Jo Hogan 73  
32. William Hogan 74  
33. William Hogan 75  
34. Joseph Katsock 76  
35. Sharon Katsock 77  
36. Rita Kecnich 78  
37. Rita Kelly 79  
38. Bernie Kondracky 80  
39. John Kramer 81  
40. Mary Kramer 82  
41. Florence Krulak 83  
42. Joseph Krulak 84

**Sunday Morning—11 am**

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2. Pat Baran 44  
3. Anna Bozinski 45  
4. Dennis Bozinski 46  
5. Diane Brezny 47  
6. Mark Brezny 48  
7. Mary Brezny 49  
8. Karen Burke 50  
9. Aiden Burridge 51  
10. Rose Burridge 52  
11. Diana Castillo 53  
12. Mary Charnetsky 54  
13. Mark Choman 55  
14. Theresa Choman 56  
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2. Marlene Amerise 44  
3. Tea Amerise 45  
4. Ann Bacewicz 46  
5. Casimir Bacewicz 47  
6. Donald Bonetski 48  
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