

November 15, 2020

Matthew 25:14-30

“Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return?”

Jesus told several parables about people given responsibility for different quantities of talents and the consequences for the recipients who used their talents well in contrast to the recipients who failed to use their talents at all. Jesus seems to act harshly toward the person in the stories who receives the least amount and does nothing with it. The lesson of these stories is not that the people who receive the least amount of talents did not have much to work with. Jesus is teaching us that no matter how much or how little for which God makes us responsible, God expects us to make our best effort to make the most of it. It is not about the amount of the talents. It is about the amount of the effort. A steward is a person who is given the responsibility for the preservation and productivity of the possessions of another. Everything we are and have comes from God. He expects us to be good stewards and make the most of it.



Misericordia Divina Divine Mercy Spanish Prayer Group Wed. 10 am call Sofia Craft at (931) 591-8042 or Gladys Douglas at (931) 225-8557 We visit families. Visit Amos las familias.

**** Please take note, parking on the grass is NOT ALLOWED
** Parents please take note, Children are NOT ALLOWED in the hall during mass or classrooms after CCD Classes.**

Parish Updates

- The holidays are quickly approaching. We are collecting non-perishable item donations for Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets to help 20 families during this holiday season. Donations can be dropped off in the blue basket located in the church foyer on the left side near the Holy Water font. Your donations are greatly appreciated!
- Faith Formation begins today for Pre-K through 3rd Grade, First Communion, Confirmation Level 1 and Level 2 classes. Registration Forms are available at the entrance of the church to the left. Please submit forms to Ms. Bernadette.
- Do you have some spare time? Looking to participate in the ministry of the Church? Come and support the Faith Formation program. We are looking for Faith Formation teachers and teacher assistance. Contact Ms. Bernadette for more information.
- Adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith and/or would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation come and join the RCIA group. RCIA meets every Wednesday from 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM. Please contact Deacon Tom for any questions or concerns.
- Disciple Response fund is still ongoing. You may pick up an envelope at the entrance of the church. Let us please respond to it with a Christian Spirit.
- Spring is coming around the corner. We are still looking for more hands to help with the mowing of the church compound. For more information, please reach out to Mr. Raul De Jesus or Mr. George Lake. Thank you!
- Brother and Sisters, we kindly ask that if you have a moment after mass, if you could please help us sanitize the pews for our safety and the safety of others. Thank you!

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Bulletin

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Weekend Mass Schedule :

Sat 5:00 PM
Sun 8:30 & 11:30AM

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Mon, Thur., Fri 9:00 AM
Wed. 6:00 PM
Tues. No Mass

33rd Sunday Ordinary Time

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PRAYER TO ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

St. Michael the Archangel

defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell

Satan and all the evil

spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

Celebration of the Sacraments

Baptism- takes place every 3rd Sunday, during or outside of Mass. Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom, or Wayne to set a meeting to prepare for the Sacrament and set a date.

Baptism for older youth and adults occurs at the Easter Vigil.

Confession- Saturdays, 4:30 pm, before or after any Mass or by appointment with Fr. Julian.

Communal services during Advent and Lent.

First Reconciliation- is celebrated during Advent.

First Eucharist- is celebrated during May each year with children in the second grade or older.

Confirmation- for youth is conferred by the Bishop. Adults receive the Sacrament at the Easter Vigil or before Marriage by Fr. Julian.

Marriage- Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom or Wayne for Marriage and Annulment needs.

Holy Orders- Contact Fr. Julian or Deacons Jack, Tom or Wayne if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood, Diaconate or Religious.

Anointing of the Sick- Anyone who is seriously ill or going to surgery should request anointing by contacting Fr. Julian.

Opportunities for Life Hotline

Call (800) 822-5824 for help for those experiencing an untimely pregnancy.

Nationwide Mass Times

Automated Church Lookup:
1(858) 207-6277 or log on to www.masstimes.org

SINCERE WELCOME TO ALL FRIENDS VISITING WITH US TODAY.

To register with the parish, please stop at the Office after Mass to fill out the form.

**Mass Intentions \$5
Sanctuary Candle \$10**

Please put your donation in an envelope and indicate († if deceased). Please give your name and phone number and the date wanted in the collection basket. If the exact time and date you requested is not available, the closest available Mass time and date will be assigned. Envelopes for Mass Intentions are in the foyer on the table.

****Bulletin Deadline - Wednesday**
Email bernadetteann.crisostomo@gmail.com

WEBSITE

St. Michael's new Website is now available at www.stmichaelokgrove.church Please check it out for more information. Web page POC is Jessica Carroll. She can be reached at fisherj21@yahoo.com or text to 701-371-4690 for web page input

Blessed Mother Bookstore
Open: Sunday 9:30 - 11:30 am

Temporarily Closed

Readings for this week 11/16—11/22

Mon	St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin	RV 1:1-4, 2:1-5 PS 1:1-4, 6 LK 18:35-43
Tue	St. Elizabeth of Hungary	RV 3:1-6, 14-22 PS 15:2-5 LK 19:1-10
Wed	Dedication of Basilicas St Peter & Paul, Apostles, St Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin	RV 4:1-11 PS 150:1b LK 19:11-28
Dedication:	ACTS 28:11-16, 30-31 MT 14:22-33	
Thu		RV 5:1-10 PS 149:1b-6a, 9b LK 19:41-44
Fri		RV 10:8-11 PS 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 LK 19:15-48
Sat	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	RV 11:4-12 PS 144:1-2, 9-10 LK 20:27-40
Sun	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE (34th Sunday, Last Sunday of Ordinary Time)	EZ 34:11-12, 15-17 PS 23:1-3, 5-6 1 COR 15:20-26, 28 MT 25:31-46

33rd Sunday YR A

First Reading (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31) The wisdom writer tells us that a good wife is valued "far beyond precious jewels", because she loves her husband and family with such gratuitous, self-sacrificing love.



Second Reading (1Thessalonians 5:1-6) St Paul tells us the Thessalonian converts and us that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night, therefore let us stay awake and sober.

Gospel (Matthew 25:14-30) The master said to his two faithful servants, "Well done good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little matter, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy."

Reflection Theme

"We will be held accountable to God for how we use the talents He gave us."

In the Gospel of today's reading (Matthew 25:14-30) a man decided to take a long trip. Before he left, he gave each of three servants a different sum of money to invest during his absence. The first man did well, the second did well. But the third man did poorly.

Let us look at the deeper meaning behind this parable by asking the following questions.

Who is the man who went on the trip?
Who are the servants?
What does the money stand for?

The man who went on the trip is Jesus, who ascended into heaven after His resurrection. He will return at the end of the world.

The servants stand for you and me.

The money stands for our God-given talents.

In his absence, Jesus expects us to use our talents to build up His Kingdom. For the gifts and talents we are given is not for the individual or personal use. The apostle for the Gentile, St Paul says, "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." (1 Corinthians 12:4-7) All our talents, all our gifts are from God. None of us have the right to take credit for them. We emphasize this at the end of the Eucharistic prayer when the priest holds up the Body and Blood of Christ and says, "Through Him, and with Him, and in Him, O God Almighty Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, forever and ever." And we all say, "Amen". God is the source of all talent. God the origin of all the talent has given us talent. We are expected to develop them to serve God and His people. This is why Jesus the Master called the two servants, "good and faithful". They were good and faithful because when entrusted with a vast amount of money, they did not run off or spend the money on themselves. Rather, they invested what was given to them as their way of revering their relationship with their master. Through this parable in today's gospel, Jesus teaches the use of talents in a productive and responsible way.

This makes us ask ourselves: How are we using the talents God gave us? This is a fitting question as the liturgical year comes to a close. Paul explains why in today's Second Reading (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6) "Brothers and Sisters, he says, "You yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. Therefore, let us not sleep but let us stay alert." In other words Brothers and Sisters, we are going to be held accountable for what we do with our talents. And that day of accountability may be closer than we think.

May the Lord help us to be more responsible with the gifts and talents He has bestowed on us so that when He comes again in glory, we shall receive the reward of salvation with those who are awaiting for Him. Amen.

Happy Sunday! And may you have a blessed and wonderful week.

Sincerely in Christ,
Father Julian Ibemere
Pastor, St Michael the Archangel

Dear Lord, please wrap your arms around those who are hurting today, and let them feel how much You love them.

Teresa Arevalo
Jean Banasiak
Hans Braun
Judy Brown
Shirley Brown
Ann & Ken Carroll
Nia Crisostomo
Marriah Day
Margret Eck
Mark & Mike Frasca
Ron & Janis Gill
Jeff Gorski
Isabel Gonzalez
Nay Hutcheson
Pat Jurisin
Steve Kiser

Please Pray for our Sick:

Walter Klinecwich
Jessica Locklear
Sue Long
Alex B. Lucas Jr.
Frank J Luciani
Ruby Macias
David McCuiston
Mac & Sue McElroy
Sue Montoya
Ann Mcyntire
Julianna Martinez
Billy Hancock
George & IL O'Connor
Peter Robbins
Edward Robbins

Debbie Robbins
Isaac Philips
Al Stein
Linda Stagdale
Frances Thomas
John & Mae Raymond
Andrew Reyes
Robert & Eva-Maria Smith
Rudy Sheriff
Kim Weimer
Marie Welter
Bob Whelan
Jesse Villagomez
Xavier Crisostomo
Bonnie Richie

Gifts for God

Regular Collection:	\$1,947.00
Mass Intentions	\$20.00
Votive Candles	\$0.00
Sanctuary Candle	\$0.00
Parish Maintenance	\$135.00
Thanksgiving/Christmas Food Basket	\$10.00
Archdiocese Military Svc	\$281.00
All Saints Day	\$0.00
Help The Poor	\$130.00
World Mission Sunday	\$0.00
Faith Formation Registration	\$0.00
Christmas Flowers	\$0.00
Total	\$2,523.00

Attendance Nov 7& 8: 175
Second Collection
Nov 22—Campaign for Human Development

If you are moving please take a moment to stop by the office to let us know or put a note with your name and forwarding address in the collection plate. Please don't leave without a copy of your sacramental documents.

Every First Friday of the Month is

Anointing of the Sick and Adoration

Need a place to hold an event or a family gathering with friends, then why not rent the Parish Hall by contacting Dave Tilley at 931-237-5013.

Hall rentals have been temporarily suspended. Thank you!

Faith Formation Classes begins today Sunday, November 15th for Group A - PreK-1st and 3rd Grade

Group B - 4th-6th Grade & High School start on Sunday, November 22nd

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Group C - First Communion, Confirmation Level 1 and Level 2 starts today, Nov 15th and attends every Sunday.

Questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Bernadette Crisostomo @ 931.561.8449 or via email at bernadetteann.crisostomo@gmail.com.

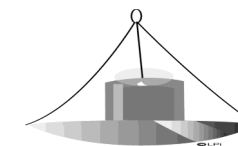
Bulletin Board

Have you stopped and checked out all that is going on here at St. Michael the Archangel! It is updated weekly by Lori Snodgrass. If you need anything added she can be reached at 931-919-2794.

****Clothing Ministry****

We are now accepting winter clothing. Clothing may be left in the Fellowship Hall Atrium. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. This is another program through Martha's Ministry.

Sanctuary Candle Intention



INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Sat 11/14	
Confessions	4:30PM
MASS	5:00PM
Mass Intention:	Karl Brence†
Sun 11/15	
MASS	8:30AM
Mass Intention:	Tuyet Do †
MASS	11:30AM
Mass Intention:	Norbert Schneider †
Mon 11/16	
MASS	9:00 AM
Mass Intention:	Maria Sua
Tue 11/17	NO MASS
Wed 11/18	
MASS	6:00 PM
Mass Intention:	George O'Connor
Thur 11/19	
MASS	9:00 AM
Mass Intention:	Peter Mu
Fri 11/20	
MASS	9:00 AM
Mass Intention:	Peter Do
Sat 11/21	
Confessions	4:30PM
Mass	5:00PM
Mass Intention:	Mike Kozar †
Sun 11/22	
MASS	8:30AM
Mass Intention:	Tuyet Do †
MASS	11:30AM
Mass Intention:	Thomas & Betty Barton †