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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil

7:00 p.m. Spanish (piano & cantor)

Sunday

8:00 a.m. English (organ & cantor)

9:30 a.m. Spanish (piano & choir/cantor)

11:30 a.m. English (organ & choir/cantor)

1:30 p.m. Vietnamese (keyboard & choir)

Weekdays

8:30 a.m. Spanish (Mon-Fri.) 12:00 p.m. English (Mon-Fri)

7:45 a.m. Vietnamese (Thu & Sat)

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION

All those who are called to follow Jesus in the Catholic faith along with Catholics already baptized (adults, youth & children) who desire to celebrate the sacraments of First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation can make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Registration for these programs are announced in the bulletin during various times of the year. Also appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements for participating in the Baptismal Program.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESIONS)

At the parish office by appointment.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

VISITS TO THE SICK

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to all parishioners.

We encourage all parishioners to register at our parish office. We invite new parishioners to make an appointment to meet a member of the parish staff.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. open

MONDAY - THURSDAY 6:00 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. open

SATURDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FAITH



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Our readings today explore how faith begins and how faith works. Faith begins with God's initiative of love, together with God's promise about the future. The passage from Hebrews urges readers to have an assured confidence in God, who promised and delivered a lasting legacy to Abraham. The book of Wisdom reminds readers of the God who promised and delivered freedom from slavery during the Exodus. In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus begins with the promise that "your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom," before describing how to live faithfully during times when God seems absent. God's promises mean that God is fully invested in our future. Living in these promises, we can confidently let go of fear and insecurity. We can anticipate that when God intervenes in our lives, it will be for our benefit. And we can become God's partners in fulfilling these divine promises.

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Last Sunday's "Parable of the rich fool" delivered a compelling reason to do the right thing—now: "You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you." Today, Jesus warns us: "You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come." Though we do not know when our Master will come, we do know what our Master expects to find. Jesus expects us to be vigilant and diligent in our work for the kingdom, but also filled with reverent mercy toward our fellow servants and ourselves. What changes do I need to make, right now, so that the many people outside "the Master's house" will want to come inside to experience the healing comfort of Jesus' own mercy in the compassion of Jesus' modern-day disciples?

DILIGENCE

Our watchfulness is to be not only prayerful but service-oriented, that active-contemplative balance so often proposed by Luke's Jesus. Though ignorance of the master's wishes may win some a reprieve, Jesus presumes that we who are listening to him now will not qualify for such mitigation. Using Luke's favorite image of table fellowship, Jesus depicts the master "girding" himself, just as the disciples have been told to do, and serving the servants who persevered in their service of watching and working. How often we brush off a thank-you from others by saying, "It was the least I could do!" And, sadly, how often we do the least we can! But true discipleship, in Luke's perspective, is not settling for the least we can get away with until our master's return, but getting ready by always being ready for his kingdom to come.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Your ancestors waited in faith and courage for God's promised summons (Wisdom 18:6-9).

Psalm — Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — Because of his faithful obedience to God's call, Abraham's descendants number as the stars (Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]).

Gospel — Keep watch and be prepared, for you do not know the day or the hour when the Son of Man will appear (Luke 12:32-48 [35-40]).

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VIGILANCE

Today Jesus proposes an attitude universally countercultural: vigilance. Whatever our other differences, we moderns dread delay; we hate to wait! All three readings call us to faith-filled vigilance, "focused" waiting, holy patience. In communion with our ancestors across the centuries—those to whom Wisdom and Hebrews were addressed—we, recalling the Rich Fool's sudden demise, must work, witness, and worship in this world with our hearts set on the future that God has prepared for us, the fulfillment of bold and beautiful promises: deliverance from threats without and burdens within, a heavenly homeland, a city yet to come. Well might all of us called to spiritual vigilance also spare a thought for those who work while others sleep—police, firefighters, first responders—making our own the night prayer attributed to Saint Augustine: "Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who wake, or watch, or weep tonight, and give your angels and saints charge over those who sleep. Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ, give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. Amen."

Are You Talking to Me?

In today's Gospel Jesus talks about being prepared, using the parable of the servants waiting for their master's return from a wedding. Parables usually have a surprise twist and this one is no exception. Jesus pictures the master coming back at a late hour and finding the servants ready for him. The master is so pleased that he begins to wait on the servants—he serves them a meal. (I can almost hear the disciples saying, "No way!")

Peter is a man who is not afraid to speak up or ask a question. That may be one of the reasons Jesus made him the head of the apostles. Perhaps Peter was thinking, "Surely we will be prepared when Jesus comes again. He must be talking about the rest of the people." When he asks Jesus whom the parable is meant for, Jesus ignores him! At least it seems that way at first. Jesus expands on the theme of readiness by describing the servant who took advantage of the master's absence—he will be punished severely. To answer Peter's question, Jesus warns that the servant who knew his duties would be punished more than one who was ignorant of those expectations. Peter and the disciples should have seen themselves as the servants who knew what was expected.

That warning is one for us to hear also. We may look down on non-Christians or wonder if they will get to heaven. But the Lord doesn't expect as much from those who don't know God. Instead of judging them, we would be better off looking at ourselves. Am I serious about my faith, serious enough to show it in my actions? Has my good example ever brought a non-believer to the Church? If I can see Jesus in someone who doesn't know the Lord, the respect I show that person could draw them to believe.

There are examples of this even in your own parish. If you have been in the parish for many years, you could be expected to notice a newcomer more readily. How do you welcome them? Do you get so comfortable with your friends that you don't think about reaching out to a visitor? I think Jesus would expect those of us who feel at home in our church to make an effort to bring new members into our circle. "So how much does Jesus expect of me?" The answer could be in how well you know Jesus.

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Tithing:	\$9,857.32
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READINGS FOR THE WEEK
AUGUST 8, 2022

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| Monday: | Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14;
Mt 17:22-27 |
| Tuesday: | Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103,
111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 |
| Wednesday: | 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-
26 |
| Thursday: | Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62:
Mt 18:21 — 19:1 |
| Friday: | Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63;
Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12 |
| Saturday: | Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32;
Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15 |
| Sunday: | Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1
-4; Lk 12:49-53 |

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
AUGUST 8, 2022

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| <u>Monday</u>
8:30am | |
| <u>Tuesday</u>
8:30am | Steven Fernandez (D); Edison Tapia (D) |
| <u>Wednesday</u>
8:30am | Peter Trang (D) |
| 12:00pm | Ana Felicita Hernandez - conversión y
liberación (D); Bienvenido Cruz Rodriguez -
Segundo aniversario |
| <u>Thursday</u>
8:30am | Acción de gracias al Sagrado Corazón de
Jesus, Rose Carucci (D), Minerva Lopez (D);
Las almas del purgatorio; Eddie Cardenas &
Jose Archabala (D) |
| <u>Friday</u>
8:30am | Daminh Thanh (D) |
| 12:00pm | Zunilda Draven (D) & Emilia Draven (D);
Benera Surfron, Petra Ortiz, Wilberto Rivera,
Damaris Sanchez (D) |
| <u>Saturday</u>
7:45am | People of SNT, Charlotte Ellie Gray
Koonce (D) |
| 7:00pm | Feliz Evangelista Gonzalez, Eduvina
Gonzalez, Serafin Alfredo Gonzalez (D);
Domingo Perez (D) |
| <u>Sunday</u>
8:00am | Peter Chi (D) |
| 9:30am | Giuse Tien & Maria Cam (D) |
| 11:30am | |
| 1:30pm | |

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We pray for the sick:
We pray for the dead:



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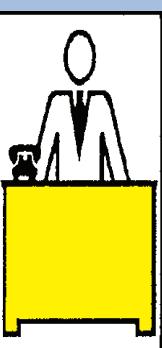
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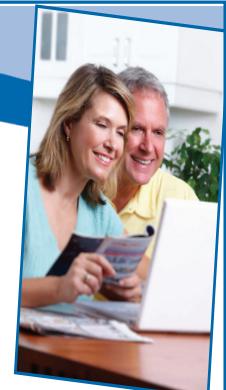
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