

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more." - Mt 25:20

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

People & Scripture

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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



Saint of the week

Blessed Carlos Manuel or, Blessed Charlie, was a Puerto Rican layman who dedicated his life to serving the Church. He worked and studied diligently to spread his love of the Catholic faith, especially the liturgy and sacred music to all those he touched.

Prayer

Oh God, Father of Goodness, who inspired Blessed Carlos Manuel with an ardent devotion to the Paschal Mystery and moved by the generosity of Your grace, led him to the joyful celebration of the mysteries celebrated in the Liturgy; You also filled your servant with apostolic zeal and love for those in need.

Grant us, through his intercession, that, celebrating with faith the holy mysteries of the Death and Resurrection of Your Son, we may live in life what we celebrate in the Liturgy. Grant us, too, the special grace that we now ask of you (ask for the grace that is desired).

Through Jesus Christ your Son and our Lord. Amen.

(Prayer Source: https://www.pmariamm.org/vida-4-beatocarlos-manuel.html#:-:text=Oh%20Dios%2C%20Padre%20 de%20Bondad,y%20amor%20a%20los%20necesitados. Translation by LPi.)



Novena Week 3



REFLECTION:

In the Gospels, we hear stories about the people who encountered Jesus—a woman at a well, a rich man, a group of fishermen. But what about the people that are not recorded (John 21:25)? How many thousands of people did Jesus encounter?

An encounter with Christ is always loving, but it may not always feel good. A true encounter challenges us because Jesus contradicts those things in our hearts that are not good. While Jesus is always for us (Romans 8:31), he opposes anything that might hurt us. When we encounter Jesus, he is an adversary against the sin in our hearts and the habits and vices that prevent us from being holy.

Two people encountered Jesus in this way. The first was a woman who was gathering water at a well. Jesus called out her disordered attachment to affection and the ways she was looking for love but settling for counterfeits. The second was a rich man who had a disordered attachment to money that prevented him from loving others. The woman encountered Jesus and left changed, telling everyone about him. The man was disappointed and left sad. Both encounters were challenging, and both people left known and seen by Jesus.

Many people experienced Jesus, and surely many encountered him that we do not hear about. But what about you? Have you had an encounter with Jesus that left you changed?

"Encounter" isn't necessarily a feel-good experience. The word comes from two Latin roots—"in" and "contra"—which, taken together, signify the meeting of adversaries. To encounter Jesus is to face a confrontation of sorts. When we meet him, we are presented with a choice: let go of what holds us back from holiness and grasp the hand of the Savior, or remain in sin. Encounters with Jesus offer us the opportunity to become different people.

One thing is for certain: when we encounter Jesus, we are changed forever. Even if we choose not to follow Jesus, meeting him is radically memorable.

PRAYER:

Jesus, many people have experienced you, but I want to encounter you. Show me the places in my heart and in my life that keep me from you, and give me the grace I need to let them go so I can love you fully and embrace your call in my life. Amen.

CHALLENGE:

Make a commitment and plan to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation sometime in the next seven days. What if you rearranged your schedule and went today? The Sacrament of Reconciliation requires us to confront our sins and disordered attachments, but it is always an encounter with the mercy of Jesus.

Reflections & Questions



Eucharistic Revival

People Look East

As you know, the National Eucharistic Revival is the initiative of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops calling us to rekindle our understanding, devotion, and worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Leading up to the National Eucharistic Congress slated for June of 2024, we are engaging in a Year of Parish Revival. This initiative has already borne fruit for us with the establishment of Mass and Confessions featuring Eucharistic Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction at Sacred Heart of Jesus every First Friday of the month. This Advent, we will also call our hearts and minds to Eucharistic Revival by embracing the ancient practice of offering Mass *ad orientem* at both Our Lady of Peace and Sacred Heart of Jesus. What does this mean?

The Latin words *ad orientem* mean *toward the east*, and denote the liturgical stance where both the priest and the faithful face the altar together during worship. This practice, rooted in the earliest centuries of the Church, holds deep significance. Orienting oneself toward the rising sun symbolizes the eager anticipation of Christ's return and the steadfast hope of our own resurrection. Consequently, churches were historically constructed facing east, uniting priest and faithful in offering their worship to God. In cases where geographical constraints prevented exact alignment with the east, the location of the altar established what is known as "liturgical east"—the symbolic direction representing our yearning for an encounter with Christ.

Today, the profound symbolism of this practice is being rediscovered. Many Catholics, particularly the younger generation, are drawn to *ad orientem* worship, recognizing its capacity to foster a profound sense of reverence and transcendence. In this sacred posture, they find an invitation to actively participate in the Eucharistic Sacrifice alongside the priest, moving beyond passive observance to a deeper engagement with the Mass.

By embracing *ad orientem* worship, we will embark on a journey that not only connects us to the deepest roots of our Church but also opens for us a pathway to a more profound and participatory encounter with the Eucharistic Mystery. The reclamation of this tradition will help draw us into the Eucharistic Revival hoped for by our bishops, renewing our collective worship of Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Eucharist. If you have any questions or comments about this aspect of reinvigorating our worship as part of the *Year of Parish Revival*, please feel free to contact either one of us.

-Fr. Robertson

-Fr. Clements

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

If it isn't only for people who are dying, when should someone receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick?

Answer:

One of the unfortunate realities in the Church today is that so few people understand the meaning and value of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, largely because so many people still mistakenly think of this sacrament as "Last Rites" or "Extreme Unction."

In his life and ministry, Jesus healed the sick. In this sacrament, the Church continues the healing mission of Jesus and, in hope, prays that God will grant healing to the person who is suffering. But even if there is no physical healing, the sacrament offers spiritual healing through the Holy Spirit's gifts of peace and courage. And so, anyone who is living with serious illness (including emotional or psychological illness) and the elderly are encouraged to celebrate this sacrament when it is needed.

The ritual for Anointing of the Sick does also include special prayers and blessings for those who are facing death, including viaticum (communion given to the dying, trusting that the Lord Jesus will be their companion along the way, as they make their final journey).

Mass Intentions for the Week of November 19, 2023

Tuesday November 21st 8:00 am (Our Lady of Peace) † Jean Fischer by Rich Fischer Family Wednesday November 22nd 8:00 am (Sacred Heart) † Warren Cook by Joan Cook † Shirley Zoellner by Jim Zoellner † Joe & Vi Charron by Joe & Nancy Baierl

Thursday November 23rd 8:00 am (Our Lady of Peace) † Cliff Reigel by Pat & Mary Ledden Friday November 24th 8:00 am (Sacred Heart) + Bersalona Family by Fred & Rachel Bersalona † Eddie Bauer by Maurine Bauer † William Edwards by Alcott Family Saturday November 25th 4:00 pm (Our Lady of Peace) + Charles Hansen by Marge Hansen Sunday November 26th 8:00 am (Sacred Heart) † Patricia Poppy by David Kieffer † Ken Weis by Family + Harold "Buck" Spencer by Randy & Sara Spencer 10:00 am (Our Lady of Peace) - Pro Populo

Questions of the Week

First Reading

Proverbs describes the ideal wife who runs her household with wisdom and grace. How would you describe your household growing up?

Second Reading

Paul reminds the Thessalonians to stay alert and sober for the day when the Lord Jesus will return. Why do you think the date of this event is hidden from us?

Gospel Reading

Jesus teaches about the importance of using our God-given gifts faithfully and prudently in the parable of the talents. What gifts have you used well in your life?

Month of Remembrance and Hope We began the month of November celebrating All Saints Day and All Souls Day and will end it by celebrating the Solemnity of Christ the King—we remember the dead and look forward to the resurrection of all the faithful departed with our Sovereign Lord; this is a month of reembrace and hope. Please bring pictures throughout the month of November of your loved ones who have passed and place them in the boxes in the back of either Sacred Heart of Jesus Church or Our Lady of Peace Church. They will be arrange and displayed in the churches through the Solemnity of Christ the King.

Sacred Heart Hall Update Work continues on the hall with completion expected in early January 2024. Most of the interior walls are painted and the drop ceilings are being installed. Last week the asphalt paving was finished. Exterior masonry work should be finished this week. Tiling continues this week in the three restrooms. The kitchen cabinets are on site awaiting installation. Work on the gas line from the church to the hall should start soon. We currently are looking at a \$150,000 deficit to finish the hall. We are pre-approved for a loan from the Diocese which would enable us to complete the work. Next year, we will finish the landscaping and replace some of the original concrete in front of the church. Thank you for your generous support of this project.

Mission & Action

Christmas Luncheon All are invited to the Sacred Heart PCCW Christmas Luncheon on Monday, December 11, at 12:30 p.m. at Rembs Celebration Center. Registration and payment of \$10.00 is required by Sunday, December 3. Please stop by the Sacred Heart Parish Office to register and drop off your payment or enclose it in an envelope with you name written on it and place in the Sunday collection.

Black Friday Skate The next Christian Music Skate Night at Melody Gardens will be Friday, November 24, from 6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.. Admission is \$3.00 and skate rental \$1.00.

New Office Hours Our Lady of Peace Parish Office hours will be Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul As the weather gets colder, the need for funds to provide shelter for the poor increase; if you could offer any financial assistance for this purpose please drop it off at St. Vincent de Paul. Also volunteers are needed to help for the Food Pantry.

TMIY All men are invited this Tuesday, November 21, at 6:00 a.m. in Dillenburg Hall at Our Lady of Peace Parish for this week's That Man Is You gathering. A light breakfast will be provided.

Lessons and Carols The Festival of Lessons and Carols is a pre-Christmas service of Scripture and song that dates to the late 19th century. In this service, we listen to nine Scripture lessons which recount the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News, Each lesson is followed by a carol or other song that reflects on the lesson's message and a brief prayer. Mark you calendars for our Festival of Lessons and Carols on Thursday, December 21, at 6:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Peace Church. A receptions with light refreshments will follow.

Pilgrimage As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, Father Robertson and Father Clements will be leading a pilgrimage to Italy from April 8-15-visiting Rome, Assisi, and Orvieto, the site of the Eucharistic miracle which led to our yearly celebration of Corpus Christi. Brochures are available at the church entrances.

Pilgrimage Raffle From November 13 through January 7 tickets for the Funding Faith Travel Raffle will be available for sale. The Grand Prize will be two tickets for the April pilgrimage to Italy sponsored by Fr. Robertson and Fr. Clements—a value of \$6,700.00! Each ticket is \$100 and the proceeds will go toward funding Catholic youth activities in Marshfield. Only 500

tickets will be sold, so buy you tickets early. If you are interested talk to either Fr. Robertson or Fr. Clements.



Year of Parish Revival As part of its National Eucharistic Revival initiative, the United States Council of Catholic Bishops **Eucharistic** has designated June 2023 through June

2024 as A Year of Parish Revival. The Revival bishops have identified four pillars for parishes to encourage Eucharistic revival among their members. The following are activities that Sacred Heart of Jesus and Our Lady of Peace parishes have been doing or will be doing through June 2024. This list will certainly be added to with new ideas as we move through the year:

Pillar 1: Reinvigorate Worship

- 1. Expand and Improve Parish Music Programs
- 2. Offer options for Intinction and Posture for Receiving Holy Communion
- 3. Celebrate Mass ad orientem
- 4. Recruitment of New Liturgical Ministers and Ongoing Formation for Those Already Serving
- Pillar 2: Personal Encounters 1. First Friday Mass. Exposition. Adoration.
 - Confessions, and Benediction
 - 2. National Eucharistic Pilgrimage
 - 3. Rome Pilgrimage
 - 4. Host Deanery Corpus Christ Celebration and Procession
 - 5. Advent and Lent Confessions with Exposition
 - 6. Advent/Christmas Lessons and Carols with Exposition
- 7. Increased Opportunities for Confession
- Pillar 3: Robust Formation
 - 1. Bishop Baron's Book on the Eucharist
 - 2. Jesus and the Eucharist small group initiative 3. Lenten Mission

Pillar 4: Send Missionaries

- 1. Invite One Back campaign
- 2. Recommit to serving the poor through Saint Vincent de Paul Society
- 3. Focus on Communion to the Homebound and Sick

Toys for Tots Please consider donating toys for the Marshfield area Marine Toys for Tots Program. There are locations throughout the City of Marshfield to drop off the toys which will be distributed on Friday and Saturday, December 8-9, and Monday and Tuesday, December 11-12.

Help Victims of Terrorism Catholic Relief Services (CRS) is working to meet the desperate humanitarian needs caused by the terrorism and fighting in the Holy Land. To learn how you can help visit www.crs.org.

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> CONFESSION SCHEDULE 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm

Saturday

MASS SCHEDULE Tuesday & Thursday Saturday Sunday 8:00 am 4:00 pm 10:00 am



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CONFESSION SCHEDULE 1st Friday 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

MASS SCHEDULE

1st Friday	5:30 pm
Wednesday & 2 nd , 3 rd , & 4 th Fridays	8:00 am
Sunday	8:00 am





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