— LOOKING FOR LAY MINISTERS TO JOIN OUR DYNAMIC TEAM —

As we approach a new liturgical year, perhaps you've been asking yourself how you can grow your faith in the new year.

Within our **10:30 English Mass community** there are many opportunities for you to deepen your connection with our Lord, through participation in our faith community ministries.

It could be with one of our existing ministries: lector, singer, or hospitality minister.

We also have a new ministry we are looking at developing:

"Sacramental Faith Formation".

This would involve sharing your faith with those in our community preparing to receive various sacraments:-

- Baptism preparation for people of all ages;
- First Communion preparation for people of all ages;
- Confirmation preparation for people of all ages;
- Marriage preparation.

God has given each one of us a set of talents. Please consider sharing these talents God has blessed you with by joining a ministry team.

If you feel called to do this, simply email Bob:

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HOW ARE WE USING OUR TALENTS TO SERVE
THE FAITH COMMUNITY AND THUS SERVE GOD?
MAYBE IN THIS NEW YEAR IT'S TIME TO FIND OUT!

Pope Leo XIV's Message for 10th World Day of The Poor — 15 November 2026
The Lord is the refuge of the poor (cf. Psalm 14:6)

The words of the Psalm serve as a standard for Christian living because they reveal the face of God and acknowledge human poverty. Indeed, at a dramatic moment in history — the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem — the people felt deprived of God's presence and experienced unprecedented material and moral misery. Sadly, we see that even today there is widespread social injustice arising from arrogant corruption. The loss of a sense of the transcendent in daily life is evident in the failure to take His goodness and mercy into account in the pursuit of personal and social justice.

The poor are the first to suffer the consequences, and it is no coincidence that their numbers are growing in many societies. The absence of God no longer places people side by side in mutual respect, but places one above the other in a relationship of domination and oppression. Thus, a desecrating logic of abuse and exclusion is laid bare, one that marginalises and humiliates.

Even today, those who are oppressed, humiliated and defenseless grow in the certainty that they must entrust themselves to God, filled with faith and expectation. All who are afflicted, all who suffer injustice and are wronged, all who are in suffering and pain, all who are lonely and without a sense of purpose in life can find consolation and renewed motivation in the Lord.

The poor of our day are the forgotten and the marginalised: robbed not only of bread, but also of a voice and a face. May they encounter the Son of God first and foremost, in those who call themselves Christians. In the Church, his Body, it is Jesus who offers bread and friendship; he brings light and opens a horizon of hope; he calls each person by name and restores dignity to all. Jesus of Nazareth is God's gift to the poor.

The Church, by its very nature, is called to be poor and a refuge for the poor. If the Church wants to be Christ's Church, she must be a Church of the Beatitudes, one that makes room for the little ones and walks poor with the poor, a place where the poor have a privileged place. Are we a sign of a God who is a refuge for the poor? Are we aware of our own poverty, and do we prefer it to unjust wealth? Do we go where the poor are, experiencing their marginalisation? Do we listen to their thoughts and share their hopes? Do we speak their names with divine tenderness? Does our charity reawaken and sustain in them the desire for justice and redemption?

Christ's love makes us sharers in God's life of love. We are the Lord's Church, a Church of the poor, all precious, all individuals, each one a bearer of a unique Word of God. Each one is a gift for the others.

And so we are called, as a Church of the poor, to serve.

CALENDAR

Monday
November 16
Weekday
Rv 1:1–4; 2:1–5
Lk 18:35–43

Tuesday
November 17
St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Rv 3:1–6, 14–22
Lk 19:1–10

Wednesday
November 18
Weekday
Rv 4:1–11
Lk 19:11–28

Thursday
November 19
Weekday
Rv 5:1–10
Lk 19:41–44

Friday
November 20
Weekday
Rv 10:8–11
Lk 19:45–48

Saturday
November 21
The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Rv 11:4–12
Lk 20:27–40

Sunday
November 22
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Ez 34:11–12, 15–17
1 Cor 15:20–26, 28
Mt 25:31–46

COMMUNION

We are the Body of Christ. This is who we are as Church. It is our profound mystery that we take and eat, take and drink at Communion. In doing so, we give expression to our identity.

If we are not in communion with the Catholic Church, it makes no logical sense for those to receive because simply, it is not their identity.

If you are Buddhist, from another Christian tradition or just our welcome guest, please feel free to come forward, not to receive communion but to ask for a blessing.

The simple practice of asking for a blessing is through the bodily posture of bowing one's head and crossing one's arms across one's chest when before the minister distributing communion.

If you are a parent with a child not receiving Communion, please take personal responsibility in asking the minister for a blessing for your child.

John P. Murray osa
Pastoral Leader, 10 am Mass Community

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AFTER MASS

EVERY SUNDAY AFTER MASS, **EVERYONE IS CORDIALLY INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A SIMPLE MORNING TEA OR COFFEE, IN THE ASSUMPTION SUKSA SCHOOL ASSEMBLY AREA** *(on the right-hand side of the cathedral)***. DO ENJOY, HAVE A CHAT AND MEET YOUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS.**
ALL ARE WELCOME. **ALWAYS.**

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon-Fri	:	Thai 06:00 hrs.
Sat	:	Thai 06:00; 17:00 novena followed by mass
Sun	:	Thai 07:00; 08:30 and 17:00 hrs. **English 10:30 hrs.**

BAPTISM:

Thai	:	First Sunday during 8:30 am mass.
English	**:**	**Second Sunday during or after 10:30am mass.**

CONFESSION:

Sundays	:	Before all masses (Thai).
	:	**English before 10:30 am mass.**

CATHOLIC CENTER:

For religious articles, please visit the center opposite the entrance of the Cathedral.

Opening Hours:

Mon-Fri	:	08:30 – 17:00 hrs.
Sat & Sun	:	08:30 – noon
Public holidays	:	Closed

Good News!

November 15, 2026
Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Proverbs 31:10–13, 19–20, 30–31 / 1 Thessalonians 5:1–6 / Matthew 25:14–30 or 25:14–15, 19–21

FR. THOMAS M. SANTA, CSSR

So close to Thanksgiving Day, a parable that seems to champion the Puritan work ethic feels fitting. The parable in today's gospel appears to celebrate sincere, positive efforts, while at the same time, it does not look kindly on lackluster attempts. But, as with all of Jesus' parables, we need to take a closer look.

In this instance, the third servant deserves examination. His situation seems to be not so much about work as it is about fear and hopelessness. It is not that he is unable to produce or to take the action needed; rather, he is bound and limited by fear and his perception of what the master requires. His fear makes it impossible for him to do what is required of him, so he does not respond.

We do not know how the master would have reacted if the servant had tried and failed. We do not know if an honest effort on the servant's part would have been enough. We do know that the master rejects fear as an excuse for inaction, and for this reason, the servant is singled out and punished. His fear not only made it impossible for him to work but also prompted the exact circumstance he was trying to avoid: displeasing the master. From the viewpoint of the parable, the servant's decision was not a good one. •

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Priest: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

HOLY (No. 263)

PLEASE KNEEL

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (No. 264)

DOXOLOGY **PLEASE STAND**

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

GREAT AMEN (No. 387)

COMMUNION RITE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (No. 387)

Priest: Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil; graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

All: **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

LAMB OF GOD (No. 390)

PLEASE KNEEL

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

All: **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

COMMUNION: TAKE AND EAT THIS BREAD (No. 928)

FINAL: SEND FORTH BY GOD'S BLESSING **PLEASE STAND**

1. **Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing,**
   the people of God from this dwelling take leave.
   The supper is ended. Oh, now be extended the fruits of this service in all who believe.
   The fruit of Christ's teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall
   blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us, his love shall unite us to work for God's kingdom and answer his call.
2. **With praise and thanksgiving to God ever living**
   the tasks of our ev'ryday life we will face. Our faith ever sharing, in love ever caring,
   embracing the children of each tribe and race.
   With your feast you feed us, with your light now lead us,
   unite us as one in this life that we share.
   Then may all the living with praise and thanksgiving give
   honour to Christ and his name that we bear.

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)

Sunday, 15 November 2026

ENTRANCE: COME NOW ALMIGHTY KING (No. 562) **PLEASE STAND**

INTRODUCTORY RITE

Priest: I confess to almighty God,

All: and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;

– and, striking their breast, they say –

Through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
Therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

KYRIE, ELEISON / LORD, HAVE MERCY

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GLORY TO GOD

Refrain: Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, on earth peace to people of good will.

1. **We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,**
   we give you thanks for your glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
2. **Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**
   you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us,
   you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayers;
   you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
3. **For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,**
   you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
   with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. (R)
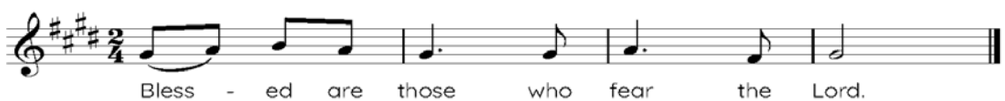
FIRST READING: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

A reading from the Book of Proverbs:

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailing prize. She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life. She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her fingers ply the spindle. She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy. Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her a reward for her labors, and let her works praise her at the city gates.

The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 128: BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD



1. Blessed are you who fear the LORD, who walk in his ways!
   For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork; blessed shall you be, and favored. (R)
2. Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home;
   Your children like olive plants around your table. (R)
3. Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD.
   The LORD bless you from Zion: may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
   all the days of your life. (R)

SECOND READING: 1 Thes 5:1-6

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians:

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.

The word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ALLELUIA **PLEASE STAND**

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. (Repeat)

All: Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.

GOSPEL: Mt 25:14-30

Priest: The Lord be with you. **All: And with your spirit.**
Priest: A reading from the Good News according to Matthew. **All: Glory to you, Lord.**

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one--to each according to his ability. Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

"After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.' His

master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'"

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

PLEASE BE SEATED

THE APOSTLES' CREED **PLEASE STAND**

Priest: I believe in God,
All: the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

RESPONSE TO THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:
"Graciously listen to your people, O God."

PLEASE BE SEATED

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS

OFFERTORY: ALL THAT WE HAVE

Refrain: All that we have and all that we offer,
Comes from a heart both frightened and free.
Take what we bring now and give what we need,
All done in his name.

1. **Some would rely on their power, others put trust in their gold.**
   Some have only their savior, whose faithfulness never grows old. (R)
2. **Sometimes the road may be lonesome, often we may lose our way;**
   take courage and always remember; love isn't just for a day. (R)
3. **Sometimes when troubles are many, life can seem empty, it's true,**
   but look at the life of the Master, who lovingly suffered for you. (R)

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS **PLEASE STAND**

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER