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Wednesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
To register with Parish, please, come to Office.

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday
4:00 p.m. - Bilingual
Sunday
8:00 a.m. - English
9:30 a.m. - English

WEEKDAY MASSES

Wednesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. (**Chapel**)

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 pm or by appointment.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday of the month after 8:00 a.m. Mass (**Church**)

33 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - November 15, 2026

The **First Reading** is from the *Book of Proverbs*. The verses chosen for today are taken from the last half of the last chapter of the book and are a hymn in praise of the ideal wife. The author saw to it that the part that a wise, prudent and industrious wife plays in a man's life, and hence in the life of the nation, deserved to be stressed and admired.

The **Second Reading** is from the *First Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.* In this reading St. Paul continues his discussion of the *parousia*. He tells his Thessalonian converts that they know as much as he does about the time of that second coming. He had already told them in his preaching that our Lord had said that it would be unexpected. However, this need not frighten them, they would be prepared because they were living their Christian faith every day.

The **Gospel** is from *St. Matthew*. The lesson of this parable, like all the teaching of the gospel, is as applicable to us today as it was to the first generation of Christians. In its relation to Christ and to his divine Father our world today is very similar to first century Palestine. Christ and God have opponents and followers. Their opponents today have the very same reasons that moved the Pharisees and leaders of the people in Christ's day. They want their messianic kingdom here on earth, a kingdom of pleasure and plenty; they want no limits set to their freedom to follow their own earthly inclinations. Their pride in their own self-exalted dignity will not let them bow the head to any deity or divine authority which does not conform to their standards. Like the Pharisees they keep on trying to convince themselves that Christianity is not true, that Christ will not reign, that there will be no day of reckoning.

Yet with all their efforts to get rid of Christ and God, the small inner voice of conscience is not completely silenced. It has the nasty habit of reminding them of their folly. They have their troubled moments when the epicurean motto "eat, drink, sleep and be merry" does not somehow ring true.

For the followers of Christ who are sincere in their efforts, the parable has a message of encouragement and consolation. At times the road we have to travel seems strewn with obstacles, our battles seem never-ending, yet God has provided each one of us with the necessary helps to ensure the final victory. These helps are given according to each one's need. Those servants in the parable who received five and two talents used them faithfully and successfully. He who received one talent needed only one, and could have succeeded with it had he been a faithful servant.

Eternal happiness is the divine reward for an earthly service faithfully rendered. The false excuse of the third servant is repeated in many forms among us still *"God is too austere, he could not expect me to make such sacrifices. I have to provide for myself; his promises and threats may be only empty words. He may never return to demand a reckoning, to settle accounts with us.*

These and all other such excuses are proved false in this parable.

God is a kind Father who has our eternal interests at heart. He does expect us to make the necessary sacrifices. He showed us the way on Calvary. When working for God we are really providing for our own future; his external glory and our eternal salvation are the fruits of the same labor. He will certainly return to settle accounts— it will then be too late to make any changes. Let us be wise and make the changes now while we have time and then our books will be in order on the day of reckoning.



Mass Intentions

Sat. November 14 **- 4:00 pm**
- Barbara Devitt - Health
Sun. November 15 **- 8:00 am**
- Victoria Rodriguez and All Souls in Purgatory (ROS)
- 9:30 am
Wed. November 18 **- 8:00 am**
Thurs. November 19 **- 8:00 am**
Fri. November 20 **- 8:00 am**
- Raymond Proa - BDay

Celebration of Mary Guadalupe……

Sunday, December 6 - Mass @ 11:00 am
with Mariachi and Azteca Dancers.



November 22nd **- Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

November 29th **- First Sunday of Advent**

The month of …. NOVEMBER - is a time to remember,
in a special way, our Deceased Loved Ones.
…. Place their picture on the table, and /or write
their name in the book and make an offering.
We will pray for them, all month in NOVEMBER.

Religious Education - St. Ann Catholic Church

Program that provides faith development for Children & Adults.



Classes are - Sunday @ 8:15 am
followed by **Mass @ 9:30 am.**
JOYFULLY let us learn about our loving GOD

Ministries in Our Church

Lectors Those who proclaim God's word during our liturgical celebration.

Eucharistic Ministers Those who distribute Holy Communion during liturgical celebration.

Altar Servers Those who assist Priest during our liturgical celebration.

Choir Those who lead us in singing during our liturgical celebration.

Guadalupanas Those who in a special way turn to Mary for her intercession.

Men's Ministry Gather as a group to improve our spirituality.

Sacraments

Please call office to arrange……..

Baptism Through this sacrament we become children of God.

Marriage Through this sacrament those who marry invite God into their life.

Anointing of the Sick Through this sacrament God forgives our sins and comforts us in our sickness.

15 **Quinceañera** (**not a sacrament**) Important celebration when one thanks God for blessings.

Helping those in need:

Martha's Pantry St. Ann provides lunches for those in need: Wednesday & Thursday morning @ 9:00 am. At **Hanley Hall**.

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