



“It will be as when a man who was going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them.”

MATTHEW 25:14



The Edges: Where God Works

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

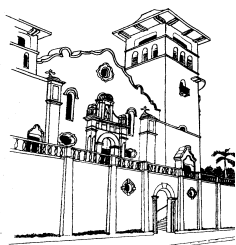
Those who are willing to take great risks are often the ones who give birth to dreams of growth and new life. Often it is at the scary edge of life where such growth ultimately takes place. In 1776, those who sparked a revolution and risked their personal wealth founded a new nation. President Abraham Lincoln issued his Emancipation Proclamation in 1863, when many were urging him not to do so, thus opening the door of freedom to those who found it locked. In South Africa, Nelson Mandela risked speaking out against apartheid, was imprisoned for twenty-seven years, and was eventually freed to become the leader of a new South Africa.

So often those who risk to make life new are those who are living at the growing edge of God's reign, instruments of God bringing creation to new life.

In the parable in this week's Gospel, three individuals are entrusted with a treasure of great worth. The third person backs away from any risk, burying it because he is stifled by fear. God's dynamic presence, on the other hand, grows when individuals risk doing the right thing in spite of the consequences, when they are willing to speak an unpopular truth, when they take a stand for those on the edges of society, when they break down the barriers of racism and oppression. In the end, we need to listen less to our fears and more to our dreams. It's where God does God's best work: at the edges. ●

Reflect

When have you risked bringing about new life?



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Confessions: By appointment only

Baptisms: By appointment – 5 weeks in advance

Weddings: By appointment – 1 year in advance. Pre-Marriage Course is required for all weddings here or elsewhere

Facebook: Our Catholic Diocese is on Facebook. Visit our page & “LIKE” us and join our on-line community.

	DATES	TIMES		INTENTIONS FOR
Sat.	Nov. 18	6:30 pm	+	Dennis O'Neill Seymour
Sun.	Nov. 19 (Portuguese)	8:30 am	+	Molly Funk
		10:00 am	+	Gabriel Pontes, Margarida Pereira, Isaul Cordeiro, Alzira da Costa, Almas do Purgatorio, Margarida Andrade Canto, Manuel Medeiros, Maria de Jesus Andrade, Maria Jose da Silva, Joao da Silva, Diamantina F. Feitor, Antonio V. Andrade
		11:30 am	+	St. Theresa's Parish Family
		6:00 pm	+	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Soares & James Soares
Mon.	Nov. 20	7:30 am		Intentions of Fr. Dandy Traje, C.P.
Tues.	Nov. 21	7:30 am		Intentions of Dr. Plinio & Nona Cuarto Lim
Wed.	Nov. 22	7:30 am		Intentions of Leoncio Gulle, Sr.
		12:10 pm	+	Luz Padila Arga
Thurs.	Nov. 23	7:30 am	+	Birthday Blessings in Heaven for Carlos De Sousa
		12:10pm	+	Joe & Theresa do Couto
Fri.	Nov. 24	7:30 am		In Honour of Our Lady of Medjugorje (Fatima)
		12:10 pm		
Sat.	Nov. 25	6:30 pm	+	Intentions of Catherine Visaya
Sun.	Nov. 26 (Portuguese)	8:30 am	+	Mr. & Mrs. Albert Soares, Sr.
		10:00 am		
		11:30 am	+	Benito Visaya
		6:00 pm		St. Theresa's Parish Family

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY SCHEDULE: 25th/26th November, 2023

	6:30PM	8:30AM	11:30AM	6:00PM
Proclaimer:	K. Johann	C. Scarth	A. Cannonier	R. Dillena
Communion	C. Carreiro	O. Scarth	J. Alcantara	Volunteer Needed
Ministers:	A. Machado	L. Scarth	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed
Song Leaders:	K. Judd	F. Wohlmuth	D. Mutch	Floriefe N. Shane B.

SUNDAY & SPECIAL OFFERINGS WITH ONLINE BANKING & PARISH ENVELOPES

Please make direct payments to St. Theresa's Cathedral at Bank of Butterfield A/C #20006060-482732100 and include “Sunday Offering” in the memo field. Also, the parish encourages the use of Sunday Offering Envelopes to promote the concept of stewardship of treasure. Thank you for your continued support in remembering the needs of the Cathedral.

Saturday Adoration in the Chapel of St. Theresa's Cathedral: 9am – Holy Mass in Portuguese followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Adoration – 10:00am - Benediction

BOOK OF LIFE

November is the month of prayer for the Souls in Purgatory!

The Book of Life is on the communion rail. You are invited to enter the names of your loved ones who have died, and they will be remembered at all the Masses during the month of November.

MEMORIAL FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS



Forms are located on the communion rail and at the main doors of the Cathedral for anyone, who wishes to make an offering for St. Theresa's Christmas Flowers “In Memory” of their deceased loved ones. All names will be remembered on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Deadline is Sunday, December 10th. Thank you for your anticipated support!

LECTORS' WORKBOOKS

The Lector's Workbooks for the new liturgical year are available in the Sacristy. Please check your name off the list, when you have taken your workbook.



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God.

Steward's Sharing of Treasure

	Date	Actual
Collection:	11 th /12 th November, 2023	\$ 3,165.00
To Date:	Week 46	\$233,403.00

Thank you for your support!

ST. THERESA'S CHAPEL



19th – 25th November, 2023

Donation Given for Two 7-Day Votive Candles
"In Memory of Tarsicio (Billy) Pacheco".

INTRODUCTION:

The Lord has told us that he will come again at the end of time to judge the living and the dead. Though the timing is unpredictable, this end is inevitable and inescapable. Let us be prepared to give an account of the ways in which we have used our gifts for the benefit of others.

COMMENCEMENT OF CONFIRMATION CLASSES:

CCD Classes for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation will commence **this Monday, November 20th** from 4:00pm – 5:30pm at St. Theresa's Parish Hall.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY: Christmas Food Voucher Programme - 2023

The St. Vincent de Paul Society is providing Christmas Food Vouchers again this year and would like your help in registering people, who you know, are needing assistance. Please provide the person's name and

telephone number, along with your name and telephone number in case we need to follow up with you. You can call 525-1191 and leave a message on the SVDP voicemail or speak to Joanne Judd or Thomas Sinclair our SVDP parish representatives. **Deadline to receive names is 1st December, 2023. Distribution takes place Saturday, 9th Dec 2023.**
The SVDP Society Committee

ST. THERESA'S GIFT SHOP:

Christmas cards and Advent Calendars are now on sale at the Gift Shop. Advent Wreaths and candles, as well as other items will be available soon. Please place your order for the 2024 Catholic Calendar at the Gift Shop. Thank you for your patronage and your continued support!

FILIPINO MASS at St. Joseph's Church in Somerset:

This **Saturday, 25th November at 11:00am**, Fr. Dandy Traje will celebrate a Mass for our Filipino families. All are welcome.

ST. ANTHONY'S CHRISTMAS FAIR:

St. Anthony's Church will be holding their **Christmas Fair, Car Boot Sale and Raffle** on **Saturday, December 2**. Book your spot in advance for the Car Boot Sale - \$25 (St. Anthony's will provide a table), or \$20 (if bringing your own table). Raffle tickets will be sold after weekend Masses at St. Anthony's and St. Joseph's. Please contact Patricia Schrah at 505-0702 or Debbie Walsh-Brown at 737-0107 for more information, to purchase raffles and to book your table.



Dear St. Theresa's Parishioners,

It is with personal regret but warm wishes that I announce the retirement of Mrs. Christine DaCosta, effective November 30, 2023.

After 27 and a half years as the Parish Administrator for St. Theresa's Cathedral Parish, Mrs. DaCosta has decided to spend more time with family and on her personal pursuits.

I am very thankful for her devoted service to St. Theresa's Parish Community. The generations of Parishioners have benefited from her presence and assistance. I am sure that you join me in wishing Mrs. DaCosta all the best, as she starts a new chapter in her life. Thank you, Christine!

Warmest wishes of health, peace and blessings for the future.

Bishop Wes

BISHOP'S CORNER



Dear Fellow-Catholics,

I just realised that I owe you information regarding the special collection that was arranged in September 2023 in order to support the construction of the new church in Bangladesh. The amount collected was of **\$19,572.00**. Impressive!

Let me quote the email that was sent to our Chancery:

"On behalf of our Archbishop of Dhaka, Most Rev. Bejoy N.D'Cruze, O.M.I., on behalf of my parish community of St. John's, and myself, I express our gratitude to all the parish communities of the Diocese of Hamilton, for your most generous contribution/donation for the construction of the new church that is under my parish and Dhaka Catholic Archdiocese.

I assure you all of our prayerful remembrance and best regards to you all.

Seeking for prayers, sincerely yours, Fr. Jacob Swapan Gomes."

I can only say: Good job my Dear and Generous People! Thank you!

Have a restful weekend and a blessed week!

Bishop Wes

Dear Padre,

My grandmother says Catholics used to fast from midnight until they received Communion. When did the fasting time change to only one hour, and why?

The ancient discipline of fasting before Communion became a universal practice by the fifth century. Until 1953, those who would receive holy Communion refrained from consuming food, water, and medicine from midnight to the time of Communion. In 1953 and 1957, Pope Pius XII reduced the fast from food to three hours and from water for one hour (*Christus Dominus* and *Sacram Communionem*).

In 1966, Pope St. Paul VI further reduced the fast to one hour and allowed water and medicine at any time (*Paenitemini*). In 1973, he reduced the fast for the sick and elderly to fifteen minutes before Communion when one hour is prohibitive (*Immensae Caritatis*).

The loosening of the restrictions was in no way intended to lessen the reverence for the holy Eucharist. The changes were made to allow as many Catholics as possible to receive the Eucharist, which can be difficult when priests are in short supply. For the same reason, *Immensae Caritatis* also allowed the practice of having extraordinary ministers give Communion. Despite the changes to the Communion fast, unity and uniformity have been maintained. And of course, Catholics are free to fast before Communion beyond the duration and degree currently prescribed. ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR / DearPadre.org



A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Today the Church tells us: "Use what God has given you and look at the poor." At times, we think that to be Christian means not to do harm. And not doing harm is good. But not doing good is not good. We must do good, come out of ourselves and look...at those who are more in need.

ANGELUS, ROME, NOVEMBER 15, 2020



MONDAY

November 20

Weekday

1 Mc 1:10–15, 41–43, 54–57, 62–63
Lk 18:35–43

TUESDAY

November 21

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Mc 6:18–31
Lk 19:1–10

WEDNESDAY

November 22

St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

2 Mc 7:1, 20–31
Lk 19:11–28

THURSDAY

November 23

Weekday

1 Mc 2:15–29
Lk 19:41–44
Thanksgiving Day
Sir 50:22–24

1 Cor 1:3–9

Lk 17:11–19

FRIDAY

November 24

St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs

1 Mc 4:36–37, 52–59
Lk 19:45–48

SATURDAY

November 25

Weekday

1 Mc 6:1–13
Lk 20:27–40

SUNDAY

November 26

Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Ez 34:11–12, 15–17
1 Cor 15:20–26, 28
Mt 25:31–46