

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.

MATTHEW 25:21

**THIRTY
THIRD
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
NOVEMBER 15, 2020

In the story of the talents, the head of the household leaves the servants "talents" or money, which they are expected to foster and develop during the leader's absence. Today we think of talent as an innate ability or a skill. It is interesting that they were distributed "according to ability," which would express a certain intimacy as we realize that the master knew each one, and already had an idea of their capabilities. They were not given explicit instructions like "put this in the bank" or "invest this in your portfolio" or "take piano lessons." Rather, we are told that the goods were divided unequally. One received five, one received two, and the last received one.

BEAR MUCH FRUIT

When the head of the household returned, the outcomes were just as varied as we and our responses might be. Some people are multitalented, and capable of accomplishing many great things, like the servant who turned five into ten. Others may be more inclined to do one or two things

very well and may excel in them. Still, there are some who may struggle in life, and their accomplishments are very small. But those who made use of their gifts were praised and told, "Well done, good and faithful servant." When it came to the second coming, the return of their master, they both made some effort. The only one in whom the head of household showed any disappointment was the one who made absolutely no effort, the one who was frozen by fear or indifference. As we journey toward the kingdom, there are not always clear instructions. We are simply asked to try, to give it our best effort. There is nothing in the passage to say that these servants didn't make mistakes along the way, but their master saw them and loved and praised them for their actions, their attempts, as God will do with us. And now you know the rest of the story.

Today's Readings: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

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PASTOR: Rev. Michael T. "Mike" Snider
PERMANENT DEACONS:

MASS TIMES:

Sat., 5:00PM & Sun., 9:00AM

Tues. - Fri. 9:00AM

CONFESSIONS:

Tues. & Wed., 9:00 - 10:00AM

Wednesday: 5:00 PM

Reconciliation:

Saturday & Sunday: 45
minutes before Mass

Marriage or Baptism:

Contact the parish office six
(6) months prior to the
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Welcome Visitors!

We hope that you have enjoyed celebrating Mass with us and felt welcomed in our church as your "home away from home." Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years, you are invited to join our parish family. Please come again!

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

We remember in our prayers all the sick, especially the following:

Jess Corrigan, Karla Haney, Molly Dunn, Richard Schuetz, Regina Davies, Jo Hoffman, Tammy Johnson, Carolyn Simmons, Elayne Hayes, Dianne & Gary Laudt, Gayle McCloskey, Shay Mikalonis, Dwight Nunley, Wanda & George Duke, Fleming Family, Carolyn Shannon, Doris Hoffman, Jo Ann Crowell, Ann Richardson, Jacob Stephens, Frankie Durst, Mary Margaret Ellison, John Kominis, Ester Coronel, Diane Stanley, Chase Larsson, Elise Sugg, Joann Rayl, Judy Fazzio, Marsha & Marty Blahitka, Carolyn Edwards, Joshua Larsson, Avery Boultinghouse, Wanda Stephens, Jim & Geri O'Neil. We list the names of our sick Parishioners, Friends and Relatives for one month.

Please pray for the men and women active military service from our

parish community: New active recruit, Reid Patrick Hope, US Marine (Nephew of Mike & Wanda Stephens). 2LT Joseph Chandler, U.S. Army (Nephew of Mike & Margaret Jernigan) Seaman Logan Adkinson (great grandson of Fr. Mike). Jay Guajardo, Navy Rescue School (Great Nephew of Lex & Liza Forster). Senior Airman, Natalie York (Daughter of Steve & Julie York). Pvt First Class Randall Scheaffer US Army (Grandson of Carlos & Pat Gallardo). Lt. Col. William P Shea. (Nephew of Deacon Sam and Nancy Mullen). Colonel John Anthony Fontana. U.S. Army (Son of John & Mary Fontana). Ensign Gary Buchanan; 2ndLt. Blake Gaughan (Nephews of Jess & Eva Corrigan). Paul Moreno E4 AMT 3rd Class (Grandson of Kathy & Dale Boman). Staff Sergeant Daniel Hodan. U.S. Army (Grandson of Ron & Barbara Eamma). Warrant Officer Michael Hauck (Son of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & brother of Cathy Ellis) & Seaman Rainer Hauck (Grandson of Jerry & Vicki Hauck & nephew of Jeff & Cathy Ellis).

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The woman who fears the LORD is to be praised (Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31).

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord (Psalm 128).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters, you are children of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

Gospel — Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities (Matthew 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 19:11-28, or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; 6; Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 5:31-46

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Marie Hansen will provide Christmas Cards with pictures of past Christmas decorations at our Church with envelopes.

They sell for the price of 10 for \$10.00 with all money donated to Holy Spirit Catholic Church. Orders must be in by the 29th of November and will be delivered to Church December 5th.

Email Marie Hansen at sisters39802@gmail.com or telephone 214-282-5349

Mass—Intentions

Sat. 11/14 James Hayes+ (Knights of Columbus)

Sun 11/15 Eva & Jess Corrigan 60th Anniversary

Tue 11/17 Deacon Ramiro Martinez (Daughters of Divine Mercy)

Wed 11/18 Deacon Len Sanchez + (Knights of Columbus)

Thurs 11/19 No Mass (Father has Dr. appt. in Tyler)

Fri. 11/20 James Hayes + & Carlos Gallardo (Knights of Columbus)

Sat. 11/21 Charles Snodgrass + (Knights of Columbus)

PARISH SUPPORT

Average weekly amounts through Oct. 31, 2020:

Expenditures (excluding parking lot repairs) \$ 3,712

Regular and debt & maintenance collections \$ 3,703

Attendance 11/07 Sat. 37 & 11/8 Sun. 30

POPE'S UNIVERSAL INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER:

Artificial Intelligence. That the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS THANKSIVING FOOD DRIVE

We expect to be delivering food to 20 families this year. This drive is above and beyond our weekly food distribution. Below is a list of always needed items.

Canned pasta sauce

1 lb. boxes of spaghetti

Soups (especially hearty soups)

Mac & Cheese

peanut butter

canned vegetables & fruit

canned cranberry sauce

stuffing mix

instant potatoes

pudding; jello & fruit cups, etc.

Thank you in advance for your continued support for this food drive and our weekly food baskets. Please place donations in the K/C box just before you enter the Parish Hall on or before 11/18/2020.

If you are unable to deliver your donations, please call or text **Robert Mailliard at 503-559-6022**

We are also looking for volunteers to deliver the food boxes on 11/23/2020.

**MANY BLESSINGS AND PRAYERS
FOR THIS PROJECT**

RAFFLE

Since the Covid virus required us to eventually cancel the Casino Night fundraising event, we had several very nice prizes ready to be won by some lucky Casino winners which, unfortunately, most have expiration dates. The fund raising committee has decided that the fairest way to handle the situation would be to have another raffle with a very limited number of tickets available to give ticket purchasers an unbelievably good chance of winning one of the prizes. The raffle is being timed to allow those winners to utilize the prizes as Christmas gifts, if they wish.

Only 100 raffle tickets will be sold at a cost of \$10.00 per ticket. This will allow an additional \$1000.00 to go to the Church, assuming we sell all of the raffle tickets. There will be no expenses since we will be printing the tickets in-house.

The tickets will be available after Mass starting Saturday, November 28th and also in the Church office until Friday December 4th. Also, after Mass December 5th and 6th. Please call the office before coming 903-769-3235. First come, first served.

Drawing will be December 6, 2020, immediately after the 9:00 AM Mass.

The prizes are:

1. Southwest Airlines

Four one-way passes (expires April 22, 2021)

Total value: \$800.00

2. Margaritaville Resort Casino, Bossier City, LA

Two-night stay and dinner for two the the World Tour Buffet (expires April 24, 2021)

Value \$300.00

3. James Avery jewelry

Sterling Silver Heart Drop 18inch Necklace and matching Heart Drop, hoop earrings

Value \$250.00

4. Kiepersol Texas Wine Farm, Tyler, Texas

Guided "Tour and Tasting" for up to six people (expires April 25, 2021)

Value \$120.00

Remember **all** of the proceeds of this raffle go to the Church, so we expect to sell all 100 tickets very quickly. When they are gone, they are gone.

Dispensation: The entire diocese of Tyler remains dispensed from the Sunday and holy day Mass obligation until further notice.

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An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

To The Members of Holy Spirit Catholic Church,
Thank you for your thoughtfulness and kind expressions of sympathy before, during, and after the memorial service for our Mother. Your kind friendship and warmth will always be remembered by us, the children of Wanda Thompson.

Respectfully, Mike and Bill Thompson and Patricia (Thompson) Martin

CONFESSION Tues., Nov. 17th & Wed., Nov 18th. 9:30—10:30AM. If you have an emergency and need Fr. Mike call him on his cell # 903-490-3883.

Period for Donations to Knights of Columbus Baby Shower has been Extended



The Knights of Columbus Council 15174 thanks all who have deposited items in the portable play pen. The project was scheduled to end on Sun., Nov. 8, but, due to the fact that access to the church is limited due to Covid 19, the project will be extended until Sun., Nov. 22.

The Building Blocks Ministry of Living Alternatives in Tyler, the organization receiving the baby items, offers practical help to young parents that encourages and renews hope for the future during and after periods of unplanned pregnancies. It is a unique earn-while-you-learn program where young moms and dads earn points for going to doctor appointments, attending parenting classes, and meeting with parenting mentors. The items you donate will not be given to them. They must use their accumulated points to purchase the items.

If making monetary contributions is more convenient for you, please make your checks payable to Living Alternatives, with Building Blocks in the Memo section of the check. You may deposit your check in the play pen or mail it to the church at 1612 S. FM 2869, Holly Lake Ranch TX 75765.

2021 WORKBOOK FOR LECTORS HAVE ARRIVED!!!
THEY ARE IN THE HALLWAY BETWEEN THE PARISH HALL & BRIDGET'S OFFICE. LECTORS PLEASE TAKE ONE PER FAMILY.

Temporary Weekend Mass held in parish hall: Sat., Nov. 14th at 5:00pm and Sun., Nov. 15th at 9:00am.

Protocols for weekend Masses:

1. **Limitations on Attendance:** Limited seating maximum 81 seats are available. In order for the households to maintain at least 6-foot separation.
2. **Wear a mask that covers mouth & nose.**
3. **No socializing** in the parish hall. Avoid touching door handles, restrooms closed. Enter & exist double glass doors into the parish hall to the left of the overhang.
4. **Chairs** set-up 6-foot separation. Please **DO NOT MOVE CHAIRS.**

Cenacle of Life: Cenacle of Life devotion each **Wed. from 3:30—4:30pm.** Please join us in church as we pray two rosaries for an end to abortion, euthanasia and all sins against the sanctity of human life. **Questions call Vicki 817-637-9382**

ANGEL TREE Please choose an Angel Name and be prepared to bring your gifts back to Church for distribution in time for delivery.

Thanksgiving Mass November 26th at 9:00 AM
The Diocese office and our office will be closed, November 26th & 27th

Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation
December 7th at 5:00 PM Mass of Anticipation
December 8th Mass at 9:00 AM



Sunday's 2020 Life Chain was very successful, thanks to the 29 people who participated from Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Holly Tree Bible

Church, Whispering Pines Nazarine Church and even a Monk from St. Martin's Abby in Lacey, Washington. The weather was perfect, and we look forward to next year's annual event.

Halloween Candy—Please remember to bring any of your remaining Halloween Candy next weekend to the church and put it in the marked Halloween Candy basket. The Welcome Committee will be dividing and distributing it to all parishioners who participate in the Christmas Golf Cart parade which is on December 19th at 6pm. Details will follow. The candy is tossed to those lining the road watching the parade. We appreciate your help.



Nov. Second Collections: November 21st & 22nd: "Catholic Charities—Diocese of Tyler."

Weekday Mass Times held in church: Tues. — Fri. at 9:00am.

Protocols for weekday Masses:

1. **Wearing a mask that covers mouth & nose.**
2. **No socializing** in the Narthex. Avoid touching door handles, restrooms closed. Enter & exit same set of double glass doors into the church through the overhang.
3. **In church alternating every other pew.** Households must maintain at least 6-foot separation.
4. **Limited seating maximum 31.** In order for the households to maintain at least 6 feet separation.



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