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NOVEMBER 16 2025 – 33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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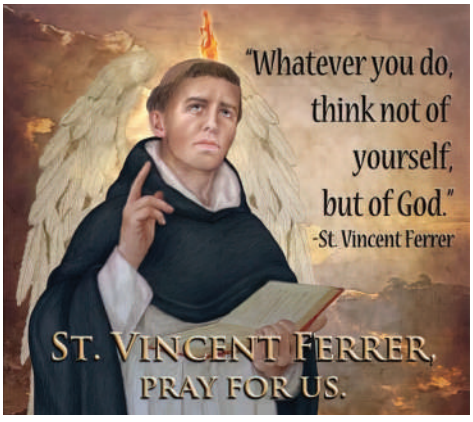

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. – Vigil Mass
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
HOLY DAYS: 9:00 a.m.

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 16, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS:

Saturday, November 15th **5:00 p.m.**
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Stephen James — Birthday Blessings
Requested by the James Family

Sunday, November 16th **8:00 a.m.**
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Thanksgiving to Saint Elizabeth and Saint Philomena
Requested by Claudia Hooper

Claudia Hooper — Birthday Blessings

11:00 a.m.
Rev. Msgr. Joseph A. Nugent — In Memoriam
Requested by Gerald DeMaio

Judy Pierre — In Memoriam
Requested by Gerald DeMaio

Alta Gracia Toussaint
— In Memoriam (10th Anniversary)
Requested by The Toussaint Family

Conroy Anthony, Jr. — Birthday Memoriam
Requested by Mrs. Anthony

Monday, November 17th **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Sheila Scope — Blessings and Healing

Tuesday, November 18th **9:00 a.m.**
The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
Antoinette Harris — Blessings and Thanksgiving

Wednesday, November 19th **9:00 a.m.**
Shirley Mercury — Blessings and Peace

Thursday, November 20th **9:00 a.m.**
Marjorie Yarde — In Memoriam
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

Friday, November 21st **9:00 a.m.**
The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Ursula Aird — In Memoriam
Requested by the Aird Family

Saturday, November 22nd **9:00 a.m.**
Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
Marc Jean — In Memoriam
Requested by Saint Vincent Ferrer Parish

GIFTS AND INTENTIONS:

Bread and Wine
Alta Grace Toussaint — In Memoriam

Altar Flowers
Alta Grace Toussaint — In Memoriam

Altar Candles
Alta Grace Toussaint — In Memoriam

Sanctuary Candle
Eileen Morancie — Blessings and Healing

Mary's Chapel
Claudia Hooper — Birthday Blessings

Annunciation Chapel
All Those Who Have No One to Pray for Them

FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

1st Friday: Devotion to the Sacred Heart
2nd Friday: Prayers for the Protection of All Life
3rd Friday: Devotion to Saint Andrew for Vocations
4th Friday: Saint Vincent Ferrer 4th Friday Devotion

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Lectio Divina

Read the following scripture: Luke 21:5-19.

Take some time to reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

Scripture Reflection

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

See that you not be deceived, for many will come in my name, saying, "I am he." How can I discern truth from falsehood? How can I share the truth of the Church's teaching with others?

I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking. How can I speak the truth in love? How can my words lift people up instead of putting them down?

You will be hated by all because of my name. When have I been ridiculed or lost friends because of my faith? How can I grow in trust of God's providential care?

Closing Prayer

Sing praise to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and melodious song.
With trumpets and the sound of the horn
sing joyfully before the King, the LORD.

Let the sea and what fills it resound,
the world and those who dwell in it;
let the rivers clap their hands,
the mountains shout with them for joy.

Before the LORD, for he comes,
for he comes to rule the earth,
He will rule the world with justice
and the peoples with equity.

(From Psalm 98)

DAILY READINGS FOR THE 33RD WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, November 16
Malachi 3:19-20a Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9
Thessalonians 3:7-12 Luke 21:5-19
Jesus teaches that his disciples will be persecuted as a necessary prelude to the parousia. Through their perseverance (3), they will emerge victorious (1) when the Lord comes again (Ps). As we await the Day, let us conscientiously fulfill our Christian obligations (2).

Monday, November 17
1 Maccabees 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63
Psalm 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158 Luke 18:35-43
Antiochus IV Epiphanes seeks to introduce Hellenism into Palestine and abolish Jewish law (1). Many resolve to resist such oppression (Ps). Jesus heals a blind man (2).

Tuesday, November 18
2 Maccabees 6:18-31 Psalm 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 Luke 19:1-10
Trusting in the Lord (Ps), Eleazar is killed, becoming a model of courage and virtue (1). Meeting Jesus, Zacchaeus repents of his sins (2).

Wednesday, November 19
2 Maccabees 7:1, 20-31 Psalm 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15
Luke 19:11-28
Steadfast in the paths of the Lord (Ps), a mother and her sons remain faithful to the Law unto death (1). By using wisely our many blessings, growth in the kingdom takes place (2).

Thursday, November 20
1 Maccabees 2:15-29 Psalm 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 Luke 19:41-44
A revolt against the Hellenists is led by Mattathias (1), the upright one (Ps). Jesus weeps over Jerusalem for failing to choose peace (2).

Friday, November 21
1 Maccabees 2:15-29 Psalm 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15
Luke 19:41-44
With songs or praise (Ps), the Temple is purified and rededicated (1) in December, 164 B.C. [recalled annually in the Jewish feast of Hanukkah, the "feast of lights" (Josephus, Antiquities 12:7:7)]. The temple is to be a house of prayer (2).

Saturday, November 22
1 Maccabees 6:1-13 Psalm 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19
Luke 20:27-40
Antiochus, whose army is turned back (Ps), expresses sorrow for the trials he wrought upon Jerusalem (1). Jesus affirms the reality of bodily resurrection (2).

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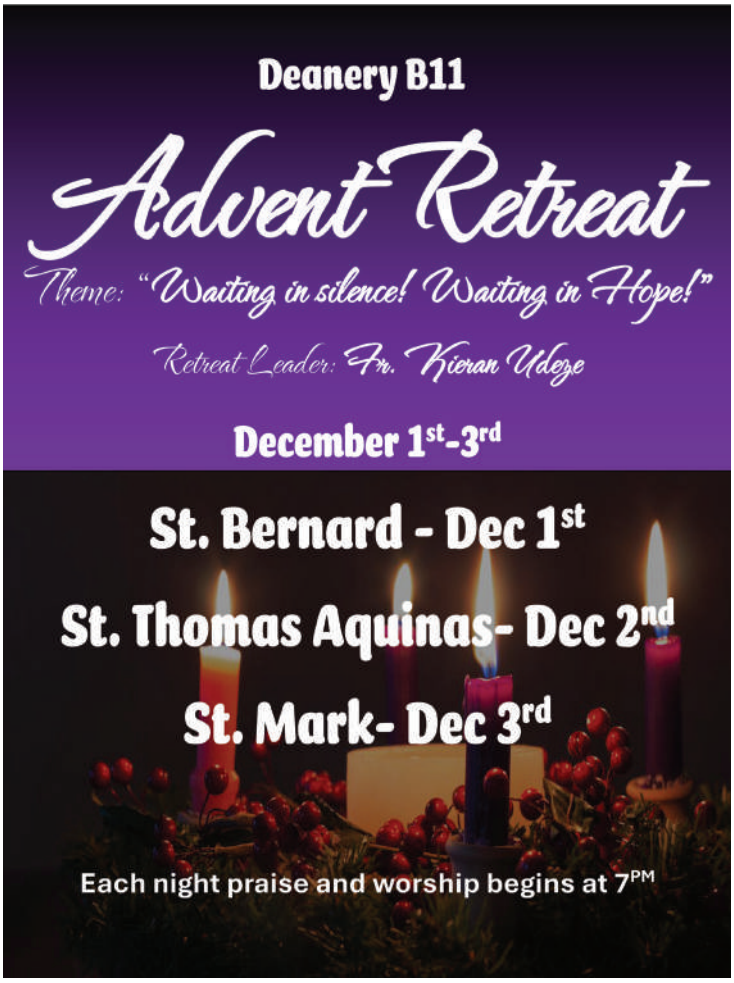

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Scripture Reflection

The Sun of Justice

While Jews and Christians share a love for our common Scriptures, we organize them in different ways. The last book of the Tanakh, the Jewish Bible, is 2 Chronicles. It concludes with King Cyrus' call for the Jews in exile in Babylon to return to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple. It is an appropriate ending for a people who have often experienced exile and dispersion.

In the Christian Bible, the last book of the Old Testament is the book of Malachi, the source of our first reading today. Earlier in the book, the prophet condemns the religious indifference and injustice of his time, denouncing "those who deprive a laborer of wages, oppress a widow or an orphan or turn aside a resident alien." His vision of God's judgment as a great cleansing fire, while perhaps disturbing, is an effort to express God's passionate desire to right what has gone wrong in the world he has created.

This period of suffering and purification will be accompanied by renewal. "There will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays," says Malachi. Jesus himself, in today's Gospel, strikes a similar note of hope. Despite the persecution that his followers will experience, "not a hair on your head will be destroyed."

We also live in a time where there are "wars and insurrections" and "famine and plagues." Perhaps we can find hope in the promise that God remains passionately committed to us and to the world and that the sun of justice will rise again.

— Deacon J. Peter Nixon

J. Peter Nixon is a deacon serving in the Diocese of Oakland, California. A regular contributor to Give Us This Day, he holds a master's degree in theology from the Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University.

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS AND MEETING SCHEDULE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Rosary Society 1st Sunday after 11:00 a.m. Mass **Mary's Apostolate** 3rd Sunday after 11:00 a.m. Mass	**Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena** after 9:00 a.m. Mass ***In His Light* Charismatic Prayer Group** *Rectory basement* at 7:00 p.m. **St. Vincent de Paul** 1st Monday *Rectory* at 7:30 p.m.		**Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena** after 9:00 a.m. Mass **Jeanne Mance Guild** *Rectory basement* after 9:00 a.m. Mass **Wednesday Faith Sharing Group** *Rectory basement* at 7:00 p.m.	**Mary's Apostolate Prayers for Reconciliation** 8:00 a.m.	**Exposition and Holy Hour/ Friday Devotions** after 9:00 a.m. Mass	**St. Vincent de Paul sandwich making** *Rectory basement* at 9:00 a.m. **Divine Mercy Chaplet** *Mary's Chapel* after 9:00 a.m. Mass

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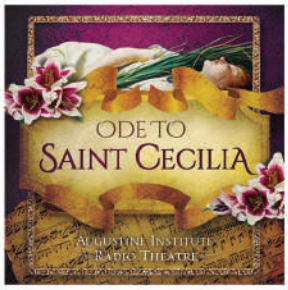
What Catholics Believe About Mary: Immaculate Conception, Virginity

Join Dr. Edward Sri as he answers some of the internet's most asked questions about Mary. Who is Mary? Why do Catholics pray to Mary? How could she be a virgin if Jesus had brothers and sisters according to the Bible? Find out answers to these and more questions in this episode of What Catholics Believe.



Ode to Saint Cecilia

The lives of the saints are epic stories and particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre.

St. Elizabeth of Hungary | Littlest Saints

A group of kids stages a play about St. Elizabeth of Hungary, focusing on her love for the poor and her devotion to serving others. The episode highlights her life, including the Miracle of the Roses, where her hidden acts of charity are revealed.

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Jesus said He would help His followers. What did He say He would do?

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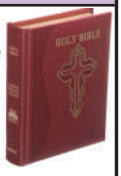

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