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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 10, 2025 *"FOR WHERE YOUR TREASURE IS, THERE ALSO WILL YOUR HEART BE"*

A major way to be ready for the coming judgment is to be watchful. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable about watchfulness to begin making this point. We must be like servants waiting for the master's return from a wedding banquet, which, even now, can last for a few days in the Middle East. We must be watchful so that even if the master comes after midnight, we will be ready for him. This is what the coming of the Son of Man will be like.

Peter asks if this parable is meant for the apostles or for the large crowd that has gathered to listen to Jesus. Without answering Peter's question, Jesus responds with another parable about servants awaiting the return of their master. It begins with a question: "Who, then, is the faithful and prudent steward whom the master will put in charge of his servants to distribute the food allowance at the proper time?" This parable adds to the theme of watchfulness; it explains how to wait and reminds us of the reward for the faithful follower at the heavenly banquet after the judgment. If it is addressed to the apostles, then it could also be addressed to leadership in the early Church. Either way, the parables reminds us that we should be found doing our jobs when the master arrives. If we are doing our jobs, our reward will be great. But if we relax, neglect our duties, and begin to act like the greedy rich man—eating, drinking, and making merry—we will not have a place in the kingdom. Watchfulness means living in such a consistently moral and obedient way that we are always ready to give an account to God of how we have lived. *Loyola Press*



*"PORQUE DONDE ESTÁ SU TESORO, AHÍ ESTARÁ SU
CORAZÓN"*

Una forma principal de estar listo para el juicio venidero es estar alerta. En el Evangelio de Lucas, Jesús cuenta una parábola sobre la vigilancia para comenzar a señalar este punto. Debemos ser como sirvientes que esperan el regreso del amo de un banquete de bodas que, incluso ahora, puede durar unos días en el Medio Oriente. Debemos estar atentos para que aunque el maestro venga después de la medianoche, estemos listos para él. Así será la venida del Hijo del Hombre. Pedro pregunta si esta parábola es para los apóstoles o para la gran multitud que se ha reunido para escuchar a Jesús.

Sin responder a la pregunta de Pedro, Jesús responde con otra parábola sobre los siervos que esperan el regreso de su amo. Comienza con una pregunta: "¿Quién, pues, es el mayordomo fiel y prudente, a quien el amo pondrá a cargo de sus siervos para repartir la ración a su debido tiempo?" Esta parábola se suma al tema de la vigilancia; explica cómo esperar y nos recuerda la recompensa para el seguidor fiel en el banquete celestial después del juicio. Si está dirigida a los apóstoles, entonces también podría estar dirigida al liderazgo de la Iglesia primitiva. De cualquier manera, las parábolas nos recuerdan que debemos estar haciendo nuestro trabajo cuando llegue el maestro. Si estamos haciendo nuestro trabajo, nuestra recompensa será grande. Pero si nos relajamos, descuidamos nuestros deberes y comenzamos a actuar como el hombre rico codicioso, comiendo, bebiendo y divirtiéndonos, no tendremos un lugar en el reino. Vigilancia significa vivir de una manera tan consistentemente moral y obediente que estemos siempre listos para dar cuenta a Dios de cómo hemos vivido.

SILENT MINISTRIES IN OUR PARISH



Written by Gail Quinnan & Trudy Dowd. Have you ever wondered who launders the altar linens? Or maintains the votive candles? Or counts the money collected at weekend Masses? What about our parish vehicle, the Tahoe? Who makes sure it's gassed up and running smoothly? **These are the jobs done by volunteers at quiet times when no one is looking and only noticed when they are NOT done. These are some of the Silent Ministries:**

Laundering Altar Linens – Rich Ring, Dianira Selis, and Helen Russo (This ministry was done lovingly for years by our departed parishioner Sue Morris.)

Liturgical Altar Décor and Flower Arrangements – Gail Quinnan

Money Counting/Posting/Banking – Doug Davis, Rebecca Bayless, Sherry Dodsworth and Gail Quinnan

Filling of Votive Candles – Rich Ring and Gail Quinnan

Collecting and Posting of the AMA funds – Jack McAleer

Maintaining, Ironing and Cleaning our two Palls for Funerals – Patti McAleer

Care and Maintenance of the Tahoe – Jim Rice

Upkeep of the COVID and St. Francis Gardens – Alex Gray

Upkeep of the Geraniums and Succulents on the Patio of the Parish Hall – Helen Russo

Watering the many Poinsettias on the Altar at Christmas and the Lilies at Easter – Helen Russo

Creating and Managing the Lector and Eucharistic Minister Calendar – Chris Haupt; (Thank you to Dede Woodhead and Lorraine Ring for doing this ministry for many years.)

Creating and Managing the Music Ministry Accompanists' Calendar for Weekend Masses and Special Occasions – Trudy Dowd

The Yearly Typing and Mailing of Parishioner Donations (for tax purposes) – Alex Gray and Gail Quinnan

When told we were planning to feature these ministries in a bulletin article, one parishioner replied, "But it's such a small thing I do." We are reminded of a quote by Sister Teresa, "I may not be able to do great things, but I can do small things with great love." Our church could not run smoothly without these acts of kindness and love. We offer deep gratitude to these Silent Ministers, and to all who quietly offer their services to support the life of our parish.



MASS INTENTIONS

AUGUST 9TH -17TH

Sat. August 9th 4:30 Vigil: + **Roman Selis & Pilar Paredes**

Sun. Aug 10th 9:00: + **James Prchlik**

11:00: + **Andrew Valdez**

1:00 (Spanish Mass): + **Ofelia Gonzales & Rosario Solano**

Wed, Aug 13th 12:00: + **Alex Rodriguez**

Thurs. Aug 14th 12:00 + **Abundio Uy**

Fri. Aug 15th 12:00: **Holy Day of Obligation – Assumption**

+ **Mary Richards**

Sat. August 16th 4:30 Vigil: *Birthday Intentions of Fr. Jhonnatan*

Sun. Aug 17th 9:00: + **Fr. Jerry McCormick**

11:00: + **Barbara Riedel**

*May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

WEEKLY COLLECTION

AUGUST 2 & 3-: \$3,314

FROM THE PARISH PRIEST'S DESK...



Jesus' instructions on how to be ready for the coming judgment continue in the stories and sayings found in today's Gospel. The antidote for the anxiety brought on by the coming judgment is to relinquish our possessions and provide for the needs of others. Our treasure will be in heaven where it will not wear out or be destroyed.

This weekend we will welcome a missionary from The Missionary Society of St. Paul. Who will speak about his work as a missionary and how you can help with this ministry.

Shalom! Father Jhonnatan

MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST. PAUL MISSION APPEAL

The **Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP)** is a congregation of priests founded in Nigeria in 1977. The Society now has 300 priests. They are working in eleven countries of Africa, (South Africa, Malawi, Botswana, Cameroon, Liberia, Chad, Central African Republic, The



Gambia, Nigeria, Kenya, and Southern Sudan), Grenada in the West Indies, the United States, England, Sweden and Ireland. They also have over 130 seminarians in their seminary in Nigeria.

Their mission in Malawi provides rehabilitation and support to children in rural areas. They assist with the education of ex-street children in South Sudan and also run elementary schools to cater for the educational needs of children from poor families. They also need funds to: 1) provide freshwater wells, and education in rural communities of Chad, Malawi, South Sudan, Kenya, and Nigeria; 2) Sponsoring seminarians, our future priests; 3) Supporting priests in the founding/building of new churches. Your prayers and financial support will be an immense encouragement to the Missionary Society of St. Paul. The needs are many, but the resources are limited. May God bless you!



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SCHEDULE**Weekday Mass**

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:00 AM in English

Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month

1:00 PM in the Church

4th Saturday of the Month at 7:00 PM in
Cachagua**Reconciliation**

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday 1:00 PM — 3:00 PM

Sundays: 10:00 AM — 11:00 AM

*"At the heart of silence is prayer. At the heart of
prayer is faith. At the heart of faith is life. At the
heart of life is service."*

— St Teresa of Avila

PARISH MINISTRIES

Pastoral Council

Finance Council

Faith Formation

Bereavement Ministry

Human Trafficking

Music Ministry

Parish Hall & Kitchen Rental

Social Media

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Eucharistic Ministers

Coffee Hospitality

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