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talented!

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OPENING HYMN

WE Gather Together – Ritual Song #709

ENTRANCE HYMN (Jeremiah 3:19)

C. I had thought: How I should like to treat you as sons, and give you a pleasant land, a heritage most beautiful among the nations!

R. You would call Me, "My Father," I thought, and never cease following Me.

C. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Reading 1

PRV 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

A reading from the Book of Proverbs.

When one finds a worthy wife, her value is far beyond pearls. Her husband, entrusting his heart to her, has an unfailling prize. She brings him good, and not evil, all the days of her life. She obtains wool and flax and works with loving hands. She puts her hands to the distaff, and her fingers ply the spindle. She reaches out her hands to the poor, and extends her arms to the needy. Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting; the woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her a reward for her labors, and let her works praise her at the city gates.

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Blessed are you who fear the LORD,
who walk in his ways!

For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;
blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine
in the recesses of your home;
Your children like olive plants
around your table.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Behold, thus is the man blessed
who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion:
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem
all the days of your life.

R. Blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Reading 2

1 THES 5:1-6

A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians.

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and sisters, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night. When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do, but let us stay alert and sober.

The Word of the Lord.

Alleluia

JN 15:4A, 5B

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.

Gospel

MT 25:14-30

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Matthew.

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one -- to each according to his ability.

Then he went away. Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five. Likewise, the one who received two made another two. But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money.

After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, '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.' Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said, 'Master, you gave me two talents. See, I have made two more.' His master said to him, '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.'

Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said, 'Master, I knew you were a demanding person, harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter; so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground. Here it is back.'

His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with

interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten. For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth."

The Gospel of the Lord.

PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS AND RELATIVES

Hudson Tutko, Chelsea Manetta, Athena Becker, Stephen Pociask, Marian Sleczkowski, Al & Betty Ann Perhas, Ed Babish, Barbara Cook, Darren Geyer, Paul Koper, Ted Flora, Dave Guillot, Emily Guy, Marcy Raiford, Johanna Pardoe, Allan Soltez, Antoinette Drake, Marianna Pelka, Bronisław Korus, Ewa Nowak, Zofia Mularczyk, Dave Calabria, Justin Riddle, Ford Bartle, Rosalie Clark, Katarzyna Dryfik, Lucille Davelli, Joan Kotulsky.

Please keep us informed that we might minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home. Father Mariusz will visit them with the Holy Communion.

CLOSING HYMN

Now Thank We All Our God – Ritual Song #700

FAITH SHARING

This penultimate Sunday of the liturgical year reminds us not only of the end of the liturgical year but also of the end of all things and of the preparations we need to make to reach Heaven. The main theme of the three readings is an invitation to live in such a way that we make the best use of the talents God has given us, so that at the hour of our death Our Lord will say: *"Well done, my good and faithful servant!... Come and share the joy of your master"* (Mt 25: 21).

The first reading suggests that we should be as diligent and industrious as a loyal and faithful wife, in the use of our God-given gifts and talents with *"the fear of the Lord."*

In the second reading, Paul advises us to keep awake and be sober, encouraging and building each other up as we wait for the "Day of the Lord." He challenges the Thessalonians to turn fear of the Lord into positive, constructive and life-affirming action.

Today's Gospel challenges us to ask the questions: Are we using our talents and gifts primarily to serve God? Are we doing everything we can to carry out God's will? The parable of the talents challenges us to do something positive, constructive and life-affirming with our talents here and now.



LIFE MESSAGE

We need to trust God enough to make use of the gifts and abilities we have been given. We may be especially talented in teaching children or cooking meals or repairing homes or programming computers. So, we should ask ourselves how we are using our particular gifts in the service of our Christian community and the wider society.

In addition to our homes and families, the best place use of our talents is in our parish. This means that we should be always willing to share our abilities in creative worship in the Church and in various ministries of our parish, such as lector, usher, Sunday school teacher, singer in the choir, pierogi-maker, volunteer, and member of some parish organizations.

All of us in the Church today have received at least one talent namely, the gift of Faith. Our responsibility is not just to preserve and “keep” the Faith, but to work with it. We need to promote and add value to Faith by living it out. The way to preserve the Faith, or any other talent that God has given us, is to put it to work and make it bear fruit.

SAMBS MEETINGS AND MISSION COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Dec 3, 2023; Jan 14, 2024; Feb 11, 2024; Mar 10, 2024; Apr 7, 2024; May 12, 2024

DONATE NON-PERISHABLE FOOD

There’s no better time to donate non-perishable foods than Thanksgiving. Give back to your community this season by donating a few things from your extra supplies. It’s important to donate non-perishable items because they’re convenient, have a long shelf-life, and they’re easy to eat.

Bring with you to the church on Wednesday evening (7PM) or next Sunday the supplies you want to share with our local food banks.



CONGREGATIONAL ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual Congregational Meeting will be held **today** after Mass.

OPLATKI (CHRISTMAS WAFERS) AVAILABLE

In case someone needs Oplatki already for Thanksgiving, they are available in sacristy after Mass. Oplatki for all will be officially blessed on Christ the King Sunday (November 26) and distributed during Advent.





SUNDAY OFFERING ENVELOPES

Sunday Offering envelopes are available in the vestibule. Please take yours and help us to deliver them to your relatives and others who live in your neighborhood.

ANGEL TREE

Have a child be blessed with joy this Christmas. We will be participating with the Salvation Army (coordinator Rosemary Pociask) and The Center for Victims (coordinator Ashley Griffiths). We ask that gifts be unwrapped, and Angel attached. Last day for donations Sunday December 3rd. Your gift for a child is greatly appreciated.



PROJECT BUNDLE UP

Holy Family YMS of R will be collecting monetary donations (cash or checks) to support WTAE Project Bundle Up. Please make checks payable to the YMS of R Holy Family Parish. Last day for donations Sunday November 26th. Your support will be greatly appreciated to those in need.

WIGILIA – CHRISTMAS DINNER

Please make reservations for our Christmas Dinner (**Wigilia**, pronounce: [vi'gilia] or [vee-geel-yah] on **Saturday, December 9, 2023.**

Cut off date – December 3.

Price \$20 Adult, \$10 Children under 12 years old.



ST. CECYLIA – PATRONESS OF LITURGICAL MUSIC

St. Cecylia feast day is on Wednesday, November 22. Let us remember on that day in our prayers about all musicians who help us worship, especially Wendy – our Organist, Carol – our Music Director, Chopin Choir members, Bell Choir members and all other musicians and composers.

THANK YOU!!!! *St. Cecylia, pray for us!*

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

(Masses available to public are only on Sundays, Solemnities and Holy Days of Obligation)

Sunday, November 19, 2023 – 33 Ordinary Sunday

9:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Bonnie Zaucha – requested by Karen Petros

† Irene Jugan – requested by PNU District 5

Monday, November 20, 2023 – Weekday

Tuesday, November 21, 2023 – Solemnity – Presentation of the BVM

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Maria Korus (Anniversary), Jan Dryfik – requested by Izabela

Wednesday, November 22, 2023 – Weekday

7:00 PM – Holy Mass

Thanksgiving Mass for All Parishioners

Thursday, November 23, 2023 – Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 24, 2023 – Weekday

Saturday, November 25, 2023 – Weekday

Sunday, November 26, 2023 – Solemnity – Christ the King

10:00 AM – Holy Mass

† Raymond Kostovny – requested by Barbara Kostovny

† Ed Kustra (6th Anniversary) – requested by Eileen Kustra

12/03/23 Su 10:00 AM 1 Sunday of Advent

† Joseph Korch (20th Anniversary) – requested by Janet Korch

† Alice Demski (20th Anniversary) – requested by Gary Demski

12/08/23 Fr 10:00 AM Solemnity – Immaculate Conception of the BVM

† Laura Adamek – requested by Jozef Turcan

12/10/23 Su 10:00 AM 2 Sunday of Advent

† Mildred Kotulsky – requested by Andrew (Butch) Stolinski

12/17/23 Su 10:00 AM 3 Sunday of Advent

† Richard Contrella – requested by Adamel, Muse & Foster Family

12/24/23 Su 10:00 AM 4 Sunday of Advent

OPEN

12/24/23 Su 10:00 PM Shepherd Mass (Pasterka)

For All Our Beloved Departed (special Mass form will be available)

12/25/23 Mo 10:00 AM Solemnity – Christmas

For All Our Beloved Departed (special Mass form will be available)

12/26/23 Tu 10:00 AM Feast – St. Stephen, Proto-Martyr

OPEN

12/27/23 We 10:00 AM Feast – St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

Mass with the blessing of wine (BYO Bottle for blessing)

12/30/23 St 10:00 AM Solemnity – Holy Family

For All Parishioners of the Holy Family Parish

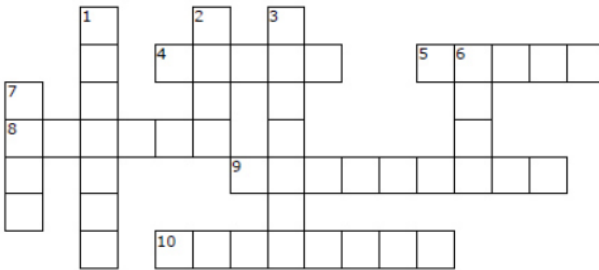
12/31/23 Su 10:00 AM Solemnity – Humble Shepherds

OPEN

1/1/24 Mo 10:00 AM Solemnity – Circumcision of our Lord

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| 1/2/24 | Tu | 10:00 AM Solemnity – Holy Name of Jesus |
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| 1/6/24 | St | 10:00 AM Solemnity – Epiphany of our Lord |
| OPEN | | |
| 1/7/24 | Su | 10:00 AM Solemnity – Baptism of our Lord |
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| 1/14/24 | Su | 10:00 AM 2 Ordinary Sunday |
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| 1/21/24 | Su | 10:00 AM 3 Ordinary Sunday |
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| 1/28/24 | Su | 10:00 AM 4 Ordinary Sunday |
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The Parable of the Talents Crossword



ACROSS

- The coins and bills that are used to buy things
- To divide or use something with others
- To be filled with fear
- A feeling of pleasure, satisfaction, or joy
- To be trusted or loyal

DOWN

- A trip, especially one over a great distance
- The opposite of bad
- A person who is employed to do work for another person
- Put something in a place where it cannot be found
- Not willing to work