Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Bulletin for 19th November, 2023



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• Proverbs 31:10-31 • Psalm 128 • 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 • Matthew 25:14-30 •

Don't we all long to hear these words from Jesus when we meet him face-to-face? Though we stumble and fall, we put our faith in our Lord's mercy. We hope that one day, we will greet our Master with joy and confidence rather than with fear and trembling. But how can we see this hope fulfilled? Today's Gospel gives us a clue. In this parable, Jesus is doing more than giving financial advice. He's teaching us how to be ready for his return in glory.

Earlier in this discourse, Jesus told two similar parables. First, he spoke of two servants who are put in charge of their master's household *Matthew 24:45-51*. One is responsible and provides faithfully for his fellow servants. He is rewarded and put in charge of all his master's property. The other is lazy, selfish, and cruel to the others; he earns a severe punishment.

Jesus' second parable involves two groups of women awaiting a bridegroom *Matthew 25:1-13*. Some are wise and bring oil; some are foolish and do not. When the bridegroom returns, only the wise women have oil to light their lamps. They are ready to greet him and enter the feast. The foolish rush off to buy oil, but in the end, they are too late to join the celebration.

Now in today's parable, Jesus tries once more to show his disciples how to be ready for his return. He wants them—and all of us—to enter the feast of heaven and "share [our] master's joy" *Matthew 25:21*. And that requires faithfulness. Jesus wants us to be like those servants who earned a return. He's urging us to stay alert, obey his commands, and be faithful "in small matters" 25:21. Every act of love and obedience will help us to live as children of light. Then our hearts will be ready to greet Jesus and hear him say, "Well done!" *the Word among us, Nov 2023*

"Lord, help me to be faithful, even in the small things."

"Our Bishop has said that every morning we must offer as a sacrifice all we shall have to suffer during the day; and that if God does not send any suffering, the merit of the sacrifice will be there all the same

St. John Vianney

Community Night

Thank you to all those who participated in the first of our monthly Community Nights. It went very well and will be a regular program on the **First Sunday of each month.** Next Community night will be at **5:30pm** on **Sunday 3rd December.** Thank you to Sarah for organising.



The Book of the Names of the Dead

Write the names of the deceased members of your family in the Book of the Dead. Throughout November we include an intercession for those listed in our parish Book of the Names of the Dead.

Please look through the book (in alphabetical order) for your family name.

Mass Times

Sunday Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains Saturday 5:00 pm Rosary at 4:30 pm Our Lady of the Mountains Sunday 9:00 am Rosary at 8:30 am

** New Schedule**

St. Christopher's Mt. Currie Sunday 11:30 am St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton Sunday 1:00 pm

Daily Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton

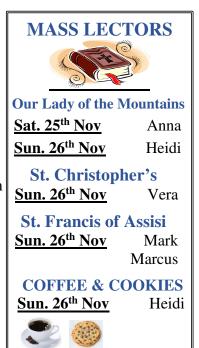
Monday to Friday at 6:00 pm, Saturday 9:00am

Wednesday and Friday at 11:00am

Our Lady of the Mountains

Rosary before Mass on Saturdays and Sundays: for those who have left the Church Bible Study on Tuesdays at 5:00pm – all welcome

Sacrament of Reconciliation — Contact Fr. Andrew L'Heureux Cell: 1-778-257-4203



Catholic Missions in Canada – Second Collection 19th November



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Founded in 1908 under papal mandate as The Catholic Church Extension Society of Canada, Catholic Missions In Canada (CMIC) has been helping to support the work of missionaries in remote and poor mission communities across Canada ever since.

This collection provides support for over 600 remote and poor mission communities across Canada

The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of November

For the Pope: We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission; may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.



Knights of Columbus (BC) Charity Annual Charity Appeal
Grand Prize Deadline 16th December at 3:00 pm: http://kofccharity.ca/SUPPORTING

Sharing the Gift of our Faith Thank you for participating in Faith in Action Campaign 33

Faith in Action	Parish Project	Parish Goal	Amt Rec'd	No of Pledges
Our Lady of the Mountains	New Ciborium	\$12,714	\$13,500	21
St. Francis of Assisi	Church Renovations	\$1,944	\$700	3

In Search of a Home Help

A friendly local couple living in Emerald is looking for a home help to cook and clean for them starting immediately. They would like help five days a week and are happy to have a couple of people sharing the five days, if one person is not available for the full week. Full renumeration will be offered, to be negotiated. Please contact the parish office: Tel: 604-905-4781 or whistlercatholicchurch@telus.net

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 9:30am-3:00pm In important or urgent matters, call: Fr. Andrew, cell: 1-778-257-4203



Donations / New Church Pledge Form

Pledge Forms in support of building the new church are available via this QR code and on our website at https://whistlercatholicchurch.ca/