

The Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

Sunday, August 11, 2019

Readings: 1) Wisdom 18:6-9 2) Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11: 1-2, 8-12 3) Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Sunday Liturgy

The Focus for today's Mass is: Find us ready, Lord!

Faithfully living the life of a disciple requires great trust in a God who can seem distant or even absent, depending on the circumstances of our lives. Sometimes we create the distance by giving priority to the distractions of the world, and sometimes tragic events beyond our control can cause us to doubt God's presence. Maintaining steadfast faith requires dedicated care and attention to our relationship with God. Jesus' example and the power of the Holy Spirit provide us the strength and guidance we need to remain ready to meet him when he comes again.

The reading from the Book of Wisdom recounts the faith of the forefathers on the night of Passover. The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us of Abraham's unwavering faith in things unseen. In the Gospel, Jesus uses a parable to teach the importance of right priorities – those who remain faithful and ready will be rewarded.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST:

With confidence and trust,
let us bring our prayers and petitions before our heavenly Father.

For Pope Francis,
may the Holy Spirit give him strength as he boldly leads in wisdom and truth.
We Pray to the Lord.

For those who govern,
may they serve with integrity and justice.
We Pray to the Lord.

For all those who are sick in mind, body and spirit,
may the love of Christ and His Church bring them healing and relief.
We Pray to the Lord.

For all those who have died,
may experience the joy of the kingdom.
We Pray to the Lord.

For the people of this parish,
may we welcome strangers and comfort the sorrowing.
We Pray to the Lord.

For our own personal intentions..... (long pause)
We Pray to the Lord.

PRIEST:

Father, we entrust our prayers to you in the holy name of your son, Jesus Christ.