

Let us not sleep as the rest do,
but let us stay alert and sober.
1 THESSALONIANS 5:6

Ready or Not, Here I Come

As children we called out this chant when playing hide-and-seek. However, it could very well describe the message of two of today's readings. Paul reminds the Thessalonians that "the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2). The Gospel tells a story about a man who returns after a long journey and intends to settle accounts with those whom he put in charge of his household. In both instances, the one returning might cry out, "Ready or not, here I come!" The point of each story: Be ready! But how? The Thessalonians are told they "are children of the light" (5:5). The Gospel suggests what that expression might mean—be responsible for what has been given to you.

In the Gospel, some servants fully use the talents given to them. However, one servant buries what he received. If that was not bad enough, that servant alleged fear of the householder as reason for his lack of initiative. If he knew that the householder was as demanding as he stated he was, he should have realized that his master would expect him to use what had been given. There is no excuse here in refusing to use what was given, nor in blaming the householder.

All of us have been given life, talents, and abilities. We are expected to use them. This is what it means to live fully. Surely we Catholics will be excited, not afraid, when the Lord announces, "Ready or not, here I come!"

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR Reflection

- ✦ Are you faithful to your responsibilities?
- ✦ If not, what is holding you back?

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November 15, 2020

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

Weekday Masses

Mon. Tues. & Wed .12:10 pm

Thurs. & Fri. 5:30 pm

Reconciliation time: Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45pm; Sunday, 9:45-10:15am or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Innocent for any other sacraments or funerals

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Sunday Mass 1:30 PM

Date	Readers	Collection	Gift Bearers	Eucharistic Ministers	Coffee & Snacks
Nov. 01	Please volunteer during mass.	Please volunteer during mass.	postponed	postponed	Postponed
Nov. 08	Please volunteer during mass.	Please volunteer during mass.	postponed	postponed	Postponed
Nov. 15	Please volunteer during mass.	Please volunteer during mass.	postponed	postponed	Postponed
Nov. 22	Please volunteer during mass.	Please volunteer during mass.	postponed	postponed	Postponed
Nov. 29	Please volunteer during mass.	Please volunteer during mass.	postponed	postponed	Postponed

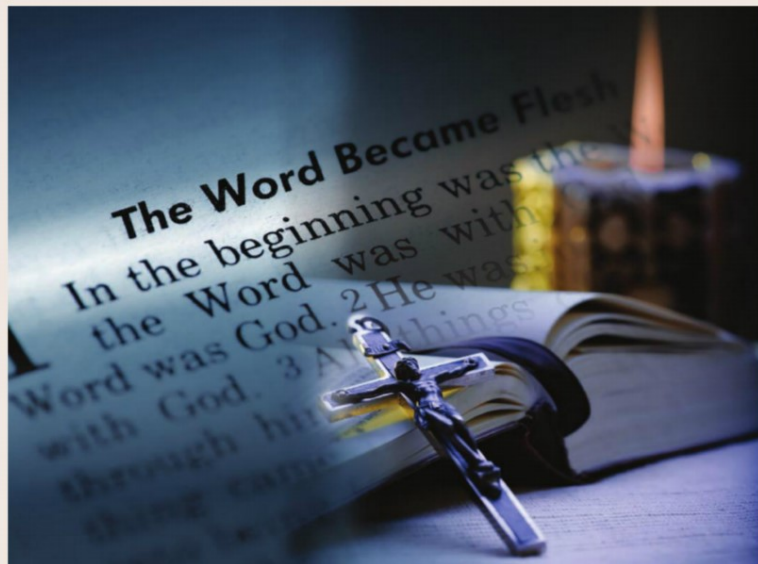
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SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION: REVEALING GOD'S PLAN

Led by the Spirit, the Church grows in understanding God's self-revelation through Jesus Christ—God's Word become flesh. Both Scripture and Tradition find their source in God's Word. *by Margaret Nutting Ralph, PhD*



*Have a great
week everyone!*

Rachel's Corner

"...You will give me life again,
You will raise me up again
from the depths of the earth."
Psalm 71:20

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\$315.00	Canada Helps Website
\$1,577.65	Revenue Total
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Dear Padre,

Is it OK to donate my body to science?

Yes, and here is some background. Christ makes possible a new and eternal creation. He "will change our mortal bodies to be like his in glory, for he is risen, the firstborn from the dead" (*Order of Christian Funerals*, 219).

Resurrection, then, is not a return to life as we know it. The body is not a resuscitated one like Lazarus' (see John 11), but a resurrected one like Christ, transformed and glorified. Christians traditionally revere the body—while alive, and at the time of death—because we are created in God's image. Some reason that such respect for the body prevents donating it to science, but that's not the opinion of the Church.

"Catholic health care institutions should encourage and provide the means whereby those who wish to do so may arrange for the donation of their organs and bodily tissue, for ethically legitimate purposes, so that they may be used for donation and research after death" (*The Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 63).

It's advisable to make this decision to donate in consultation with family members or health care providers. Many, echoing St. John Paul II, consider such a self-giving act in death "with a view to offering a chance of health and even of life itself to the sick who sometimes have no other hope" (*The Gospel of Life [Evangelium Vitae]*, 86) as a supreme manifestation of what it means to be Christian!

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR
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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

From our own death and from our gift the life and health of others, sick and suffering, may spring forth, helping to reinforce a culture of help, of giving, of hope, and of life. In the face of the threats against life...society needs these concrete gestures of solidarity and generous love.

—ADDRESS TO ITALIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE DONATION OF ORGANS, TISSUES, AND CELLS, APRIL 13, 2019



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Calendar

Monday

NOVEMBER 16

Weekday

Rv 1:1–4; 2:1–5

Lk 18:35–43

Tuesday

NOVEMBER 17

St. Elizabeth of

Hungary, Religious

Rv 3:1–6, 14–22

Lk 19:1–10

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 18

Weekday

Rv 4:1–11

Lk 19:11–28

Thursday

NOVEMBER 19

Weekday

Rv 5:1–10

Lk 19:41–44

Friday

NOVEMBER 20

Weekday

Rv 10:8–11

Lk 19:45–48

Saturday

NOVEMBER 21

Presentation of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

Rv 11:4–12

Lk 20:27–40

Sunday

NOVEMBER 22

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe

Ez 34:11–12, 15–17

1 Cor 15:20–26, 28

Mt 25:31–46

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