

# Dear Padre,

## Is a homily necessary at every Mass?

The homily is “highly recommended” not only because it is an essential part of the liturgy but also because “it is necessary for the nurturing of the Christian life” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 65). “On Sundays and holy days of obligation there is to be a homily at every Mass that is celebrated with the people attending and it may not be omitted without a grave reason. On other days it is recommended, especially on the weekdays of Advent, Lent and Easter time, as well as on other festive days and occasions when the people come to church in greater numbers” (*GIRM* 66). In practice, brief homilies are usually offered on nonfestive weekday Masses during Ordinary Time, too—especially in church parishes and religious communities—even for a minimal number of people in the congregation.

“Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God” (1 Peter 4:11). To the office of an ordained minister belongs the tremendous sacred duty to preach a homily rooted in prayer, and with an understanding of the Scriptures and the needs of the particular faith community in mind. “If the words of Scripture are divinely inspired, as we believe them to be, then divine inspiration must be at work when those words are made alive and contemporary to the believing community in and through” the ministry of preaching (*Fulfilled in Your Hearing*, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1982).

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### A WORD FROM Pope Francis

Please, make the homily brief, but prepare it well. And how do we prepare a homily, dear priests, deacons, bishops? How should it be prepared? With prayer, by studying the word of God and by making a clear and brief summary; it should not last more than ten minutes, please.

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### Calendar

- Monday**  
NOVEMBER 15  
*Weekday*  
1 Mc 1:10–15, 41–43,  
54–57, 62–63  
Lk 18:35–43
- Tuesday**  
NOVEMBER 16  
*Weekday*  
2 Mc 6:18–31  
Lk 19:1–10
- Wednesday**  
NOVEMBER 17  
*St. Elizabeth of  
Hungary, Religious*  
2 Mc 7:1, 20–31  
Lk 19:11–28
- Thursday**  
NOVEMBER 18  
*Weekday*  
1 Mc 2:15–29  
Lk 19:41–44
- Friday**  
NOVEMBER 19  
*Weekday*  
1 Mc 4:36–37, 52–59  
Lk 19:45–48
- Saturday**  
NOVEMBER 20  
*Weekday*  
1 Mc 6:1–13  
Lk 20:27–40
- Sunday**  
NOVEMBER 21  
*Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe*  
Dn 7:13–14  
Rv 1:5–8  
Jn 18:33b–37

### Do you have a question for the Padre?

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## 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time

November 14, 2021



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"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory."

### Holy Spirit Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of November 13 – November 19

- Sat 6:00 pm †Mildred Werther
- Sun 11:00 am †Mark Jones
- Sun 6:00 pm Parishioners Living & Deceased
- Mon 8:00 am NO Mass
- Tue 8:00 am †Larry Hall
- Wed 8:00 am †Lawrence Cressonie
- Thr 8:00 am †Robert Driggs, Jr.
- Fri 8:00 am †Randy Fountain

### Christ the King Mass Schedule & Intentions

Week of November 13 – November 19

- Sat 4:00 pm †Ann Newman
- Sun 9:15 am †John & Delores Radich
- Tue 6:00 pm †Jim Fast (Birthday)

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Before and after daily Mass, and by Appointment  
 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Adoration – 8:30am- 6:00pm  
 at Holy Spirit in St. Patrick’s Chapel  
 Adoration at Christ the King – Tuesday 5:30pm-6pm