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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time **November 9, 2014**

Trzydziesta Druga **Niedziela** w Okresie Zwykłym 9 Listopada 2014



Your Wisdom is subtle and powerful. She sees and expects the big picture and the new dawn. She works with hope. Wisdom is Your gentle Spirit among us, Holy God! She inspirits us to expect more, here and hereafter. Empower us not to be like the foolish virgins who mean well but who fall asleep, lose heart and are not ready. Save us from the stupidity which tries to use only our own resources. Keep us vigilant in hope, expecting to see You, our Beloved, around every corner, and walking through every moment of our life's journey.

XXXII Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle A

9:15 a.m. - Sunday Morning Prayer.

9:30 a.m. - Holy Mass - Traditional Rite - Mass Book, page 13. *Mass intention: In memory of departed from All Souls Day List.*

ENTRANCE HYMN (Amos 5:14-15a)

Priest: Seek good and not evil, that you may live; Then truly will the Lord, the God of hosts, be with you as you claim!

All: Hate evil and love good, and let justice prevail at the gate.

Priest: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

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

FIRST READING: Wisdom 6:12-16

GRADUAL (Psalm 63:7-8)

Priest: When I think of You upon my bed, through the night watches I will recall

All: That You indeed are my help, and in the shadow of Your wings I shout for joy.

SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

ALLELUIA (Isaiah 40:8)

Priest: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Priest: Though the grass withers and the flower wilts, the word of our God stands forever.

All: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:1-13

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew

All: Glory be to You, Lord!

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to

the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

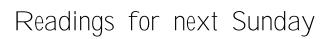
Reflection Ouestions:

1. Why did the bridegroom come at "midnight," while the wedding guests "slumbered and slept"? How does this apply to our waiting for the Savior's Second Coming?



2. What did five of the virgins do that was foolish? How might a Church member today make the same error as the foolish virgins? What would the consequences be?

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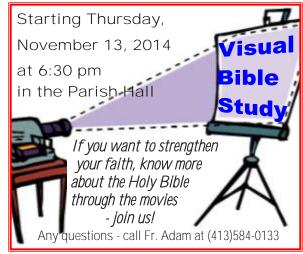
First Reading: *Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31*Second Reading: *1 Thessalonians 5:1-6*Gospel: *Matthew 25:14-30*



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 4 Holiday Bazaar & Raffola -November 9 - 12:00 noon— 5:00 pm - Holy Cross Parish, Ware, MA
- 4 Polish Classes every
 Tuesday at 6:30 pm in the
 Parish Hall
- 4 <u>Thanksgiving Dinner</u> -November 16 at noon - Holy Name of Jesus Parish, So Deerfield (call 413-665-2129)
- 4 Parish Committee Meeting: Monday, November 17 at 6:30 pm in the Parish Hall





<u>Coffee Hour Sponsors</u>: Today - **Fred Zimnoch** Next Sunday - **Isaac Scott**





New Storm Windows

Donations are still being accepted to help defray the cost of the storm windows which were recently purchased for the church. Any amount will be gratefully appreciated. Your donation will be acknowledged in our Church bulletin. Please notify us if you do not want to have your named mentioned in the bulletin. The amount received thus far \$725.00. Special thanks to Wallace Forman, Krysia and Eugene Newman who sponsored the purchase of storm

windows for the south side of the Church in memory of Joan Forman.

Thank you. Bóg zapłać! 🔟

Cleaning of the Church Saturday, November 15 at 8:00 am

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Helen Golec - Orchard Valley, 2387 Boston Rd, Wilbraham, MA 01095 Shirley Krawczynski - 18 Dickinson Street, Northampton, MA 01060 John Lenkowski - 31 Denise Court, Northampton, MA 01060 Grace Mackiewicz - 9 Chestnut Street, #6, Amherst, MA 01002 Rt. Rev. Stanley Bilinski - 9201 West Higgins Rd, Chicago, IL 60631

Rev. Henry Smolinski - 8 Mills Rd, Windsor, CT 06095 Please say a prayer for peace, comfort and healing for our sick sisters and brothers; send a card to them; if you can, participate in the **Holy Mass** celebrated in their intention every **Monday at 10:00 am** (except holidays - see bulletins).

PASTORAL CARE AT HOME AND HOSPITAL

If you have a family member or friend at hospital or home unable to take part in Holy Mass and Sacraments, please notify Fr. Adam at 584-0133.



Holy Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 7:00 pm (in Polish)

Sunday - 9:30 am (in English)

Solemnities & Feasts - see bulletins

Daily - 10:00 a.m.

For <u>Holy Mass intentions</u> contact Fr. Adam after Sunday Holy Mass or anytime by phone (413) 584-0133.