Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time– November 11, 2026



Jesus told his disciples this parable:"A man going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them.To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third, one-- to each according to his ability. Then he went away.Immediately the one who received five talents went and traded with them, and made another five.Likewise, the one who received two made another two.But the man who received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and buried his master's money."After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them.The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five.He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents.See, I have made five more.'His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant.Since you were faithful in small matters,I will give you great responsibilities.Come, share your master's joy.'Then the one who had received two talents also came forward and said,'Master, you gave me two talents.See, I have made two more.'His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters,I will give you great responsibilities.Come, share your master's joy.'Then the one who had received the one talent came forward and said,'Master, I knew you were a demanding person,harvesting where you did not plant and gathering where you did not scatter;so out of fear I went off and buried your talent in the ground.Here it is back.'His master said to him in reply, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I did not plant and gather where I did not scatter? Should you not then have put my money in the bank so that I could have got it back with interest on my return? Now then! Take the talent from him and give it to the one with ten.For to everyone who has,more will be given and he will grow rich;but from the one who has not,even what he has will be taken away.And throw this useless servant into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.'" -Matthew 25:14-30

St. Elizabeth of Hungary- A Model of Investing, Growing and Gifting of God-Given *Talents*

In this beautiful and sobering Gospel parable of the talents we are advised by Christ to use the resources, talents and skills given to us by God completely, to further His Kingdom and to help others in need. He warns against holding anything back for we will be held accountable for all we neglected to do when we die. In light of this, St. Elizabeth of Hungary offers us a glimpse of what is possible with God's help. She used her wealth to bring food, clothing and the necessities of life to the poor, and her power and authority, as a royal, to lead in charity and to encourage others in a life of service to God. She devoted herself completely to a life of prayer as a Third Order Franciscan so that she would be able to bring God's love to others, even if they were disagreeable and health or human weakness made daily life difficult. Her love and leadership are clear in this witness from her time… *She called together the poor and weak within the area twelve miles from Marburg and ordered that 500 marks be distributed at one time. And so that everything might be done conveniently and in an orderly way, Blessed Elizabeth herself, with her clothes girded up, went around asking the people to sit down, so that she might pass among them and serve them, following the example of the Lord….Afterwards she had loaves of bread brought and distributed them to them. When this was done, she said: "We want to make their joy complete, so light some fires for them."And for a long while she had fires prepared, and the feet and nails of many people were washed and anointed with oil. And Cont…the poor people began to sing and enjoy themselves. When she heard this, Blessed Elizabeth said, "You see, I told you we must make people happy." And she herself rejoiced with those who were rejoicing*.

St. Elizabeth knew profound sorrow in the murder of her beloved mother Queen Gertude when she was six and the loss of her kind and loving husband Ludwig (1227) and she united her terrible sufferings to those of Christ for the help of others and the salvation of souls. The compassionate action that flowed from her grief united to Christ resulted in the giving away of her royal clothing and goods to the afflicted of the 1226 floods and disease epidemics. She had a hospital built and provided for almost a thousand poor daily. And after Ludwig's death she vowed never to remarry and to live a simple life similar to a nun despite pressure from relatives. In 1228 Elizabeth joined the Third Order of St. Francis giving her dowery for the foundation of a hospital dedicated to St. Francis where she tended to the sick.

Even while still living her sainthood was revealed in miracles like when she brought a leper to the castle to her bed which angered her husband Ludwig. Annoyed, Ludwig removed the covers and instantly the "Almighty God opened the eyes of his soul, and instead of a leper he saw the figure of Christ crucified stretched upon the bed." Consumed in the fire of God's love, which she brought to others in her constant labors she passed away at the age of 24 on November 17,1231. Her feast day is celebrated Nov. 17th and she is the patron saint of bakers, beggars, brides, death of children, homeless people, hospitals, Sisters of Mercy and widows. She was canonized on May 27, 1235 by Pope Gregory IX. St. Elizabeth was praised by Pope Benedict XVI as a "model for those in authority." -A. Halliday

Readings For This Sunday

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

Readings For Next Sunday

Reading 1 Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

St. Bernard Rosary Totals You may place your rosary counts in the collection baskets **Report: 14,082!**
Rosaries prayed last week =57 Cumulative= 14,082

The St. Bernard Office will be closed on Thursday, November 19th. Thank you for your patience. God bless.

St. Bernard's Phone Prayer Line

For those who are interested in joining the prayer chain or anyone with a prayer request, please call Alan / Illeen at (707) 442-6844. "Prayer is an act of love, words are not needed. Even if sickness distracts from thoughts, all that is needed is the will to love." ~ St. Teresa of Avila

FINANCE

Regular =$3,806
Building & Maintenance= $1,104
This week's 2nd Collection =Catholic Univ.of America
AMA 2026 Goal=$34,900 Pledges=$24,694 **Rec'd=$23,725**

Eureka Holy Mass Schedule

Saturday, November 14
3:15 pm Confessions St. Joseph Church
4:00 pm Mass for the People St. Joseph Church

Sunday, November 15
7:30 am +Kathleen Stringer St. Joseph Church
9:00 am +Pablo Lima Pliego & Juan Pliego Sacred Heart
10:30am Int. Mildred Perrone St. Bernard Church
12.15 pm +Baby Gill Sacred Heart Church

Monday, November 16
12:15 pm +Kathleen Stringer St. Bernard Church

Tuesday, November 17
7:30 am +Hugo, Angelina, John Pompati St. Joseph Ch

Wednesday, November 18
12:15 pm Int.Mildred Perrone St. Bernard Church
6.00 pm Adoration/ Confession Sacred Heart Church
7.00 pm +Colleen and Jim Cruz Sacred Heart Church

Thursday, November 19
7:30 am +Diane Thulin St Joseph Church
11:30 am +Bill and Delores Pauline Hospital Chapel

Friday, November 20
12:15 pm Int. Mildred Perrone St. Bernard Church
1-2 pm Confessions St. Bernard Church

Saturday, November 21
3:15 pm Confessions St. Joseph Church
4:00 pm +Bernadine Giannini St. Joseph Church

Sunday, November 22 Solemnity of Christ the King
7:30 am +Merle Myers, Jr. St. Joseph Church
9:00 am +Raquel & Pliego Family Sacred Heart Church
10:30am Kathy Wood St. Bernard Church
12.15 pm Mass for the People Sacred Heart Church

Please Pray For: Debbie David, Jim Hogue and Family, Larkin Fay**,** Domingo Mendes Da Costa**,** Ashley Dennis, Maricela and Baby, Greg Bacigalubi, Rob Arkley, Ken White, Maria Santos, Basil, Bosco, Mario, Pio, and Mariano Mainus, Sylvia Clark, Martin Fosnaugh, Jean DeSimone, Marie Ruchards,Kimberly Ennis,Terri, Marian Griffin, Johnny, Janina Dzieciol, Kathi Branum, Orion,Sidney Gabby, Zenssi, Olivia, Hunter, & C., Barbara Hill, Chet Williams, Maria Mendes Da Costa, Catie Biesecker, Stacy Cudney, Josephine Silva, Jo Ann Dellabalma, Martin &,Claudia Vess, Chris Miller, Mary Alpers,Nancy Allen, David Russell, Sonny, Garrett Anderson, Dottie Barrett, Harvey & Mary Anne Bennett, Mildred Perrone, Massimo Matteoli, & Gary Cormier

Please Pray For Our Beloved Departed:
Marte Omar Espitia, Judy Benedict Stopkowitz, Judy Navrocki, Bernadine Giannini Resso, Lloyd Page, Delores Long, Leonard Guglielmina, Glen Schmidt, Helen Saunders, Lena Machado, Obdulia Walters, Derick Wyatt, Fran Hill, Dennis and Gina Costa, Joe Hohmen, Lucy Sokolow,Sandra Cofer, Lena Petty, Fred Emerson, John Gierek, Gloria Allen, Rebecca Bertain, Roseann Cooney, Lorraine Holland, Sandra Lingle, Sarah Mixon, Suanna Rowell, Erling Dellabalma, Paul Windham, Rosealee Schuler, Nick Giannini, Juvenal (John) Regalo, Evo Fannuchi, Dianne Luzzi, Rose Ann Hurst, Tom Long, Joe Thompson, Colleen Cruz, Rodrigo Reyna Sanchez,and Mary Antonelli

Interested in Becoming An Usher or Lector? Please call the St Bernard Office @707-442-6466

DEADLINE Catholic Detention Ministries Donation Boxes - Monday Dec.7th donation boxes will be in the churches for Catholic Detention Ministries. They are requesting donations of Christmas cards and small individually wrapped candies. Please only unused Christmas cards with envelopes for the use of the inmates of the Humboldt County Correctional Facility. The facility requests that candies remain in their unopened store packages in which they are sold for safety reasons. This is a combined effort of the local Catholic churches to put together 300 packages, one for each inmate. This has been much appreciated by the inmates in the past. Please leave donations at the church or church office **no later than Monday Dec. 7th**,. Info:call or email St Mary Church-Arcata (707) 822-7696

Thanksgiving Meal donations and volunteers for St. Vincent de Paul Dining Facility St. Vincent de Paul Dining Facility will host a Thanksgiving Holiday Meal on Thursday, November 26, 2026. Donations of both perishable and canned foods as well as volunteers for food prep and serving are needed. Food Donations – Turkey, Ham, Yams / Sweet Potatoes, Yukon Gold Potatoes, Bread Stuffing, Broccoli, Fruit Pies, Whip Cream (Spray Cans or Cool Whip Tubs)Canned Goods (large #10 size, if possible) – Green Beans, Cream of Mushroom Soup, Crispy Fried Onions, Cheese Sauce, Cranberry Sauce Volunteers are needed for the following: Food Prep: NOV 24-25, 12 – 4 PM Thanksgiving Day: Serving Table Set-Up & Kitchen Help: 8:30 – 10:45 AM Meal Service & Kitchen Help: 10:30 AM – 1:30 PM Clean-Up: 1:30 – 3:30 PMBlack Nitrile Gloves- sizes M, L, and XL (US Chef's Store & Harbor Frieght) Drop-Off Winter Wear Donations – Wool Blankets, Gloves, Snowcaps, Heavy-Duty Socks, Winter Coats, Back-Packs, Ponchos / Raincoats, Tarps (4' x 6' or larger) Please contact Mary or Jeremiah at 707-445-9588 for donations or drop off at SVDP Dining Facility - 35 W. Third Street, Eureka 95501 To volunteer contact Liz at 707-599-6138

ALL SOULS DAY/ MONTH INTENTIONS
There are All Souls Day envelopes on the table by the side entrance. If you would like to have loved ones remembered at the Holy Mass please fill out the All Souls Day envelopes with their names. If you wish please include a donation and place the envelope in the collection basket.They will be placed on the Altar during the month of November.

Catholic Women: Are you called to lead? Called to serve? Apply to the GIVEN Leadership Program by December 1! The GIVEN Institute's Leadership Program offers leadership development, faith formation, and one-on-one mentorship for Catholic women ages 21–35 who want to live out their unique vocation and mission. This 16-month journey includes virtual formation sessions and the GIVEN Leadership Forum, June 17–20, 2027, at The Catholic University of America in Washington, DC. For information & registration: https://giveninstitute.com/2027givenleadershipprogram/

2027 Catholic Women's Retreat Bake & Craft Sales Local catholic women will be selling homemade baked and craft items to help fund the 2027 Catholic Women's Retreat at St Mary Church at Pancake Breakfasts and other events. Please support them.