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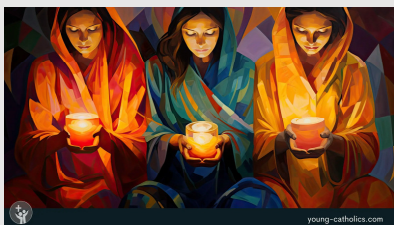
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CONFESSIONS/RECONCILIATION:
Saturdays: 5:00 - 5:20 PM
Sundays: 7:15 - 7:45 AM
and on request

HALL BOOKINGS
Gil Hoffman 0828719183



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - CYCLE A

INTRODUCTION:

There are many clever people in the world. Clever people pass their exams, know how to make money, build houses and mend cars. Thank God that he has given us brains to do all these things. We need to have brains. We also need to be wise, for wise people know what is important in life. This is the message in our celebration today. Be wise people and not fools. There are things which you cannot buy or borrow. Look for them!

GOSPEL - Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "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."

YEAR PLANS - ALL GROUPS & SODALITIES

All groups and sodalities are requested to start preparing Year Plans for 2024. These plans are to be handed in before the end of this year. Preferably ASAP so that the PPC Exec can plan for next year.

SANITISING

Sanitising is no longer compulsory, it's your personal choice to sanitise before communion. Sanitiser is still available at the back of the church for those who choose to do so. If you are ill, it's recommended that you do sanitise to avoid cross contamination.



SVDP FUNDRAISER
Dinner, Dance & Karaoke
Lamb on the - Spit
25 November 2023
RPP Hall
18:30
Dress: Western
R200 per person
Bring your own drinks.

COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS/ YEAR-END THANKSGIVING MASS



To thank God for all he has one for us this year. It is also a way of raising funds for the parish.

18 & 19 November @ RPP & St Jude. Offerings during the Second Collection.

Saturday (18th) Mass - will use Thanksgiving envelopes which will be available at the porch.

Sunday (19th) Mass - will have buckets labelled with different categories and you will put your donation in the bucket that is most relevant to you.

Categories are loosely based on professions:

- Health
- Social Welfare
- Education
- Business
- Justice, safety & security
- GEPF & pensioners
- Youth & children
- Unemployed
- Other

SPIOENKOP PICNIC

For Catechism Children on 25 November. The children that paid for the outing last year will pay only R50 for food. The Children that didn't pay and would like to join, have to pay R150. Any questions? Please contact Sandra on 0799225566 or Parish Secretary Nokwazi

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER: FOR THE POPE

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

PARISH DIARY & MEETINGS

Mon 13	18:00	Singing practice @ RPP
Tue 14	10:00	Mass @ RPP
Wed 15	06:00	Mass @ RPP
Thu 16	09:00 09:30 18:00 18:30	Mass @ RPP Adoration Benediction Liturgy meeting @ RPP
Fri 17	13:30 16:45 17:30	Catechism RPP CWA Prayer Mass @ St Jude followed by Fundraising team meeting
Sat 18	17:30	Mass @ RPP
Sun 19	08:00 10:00	Mass @ RPP Mass @ St Jude

SICK & ELDERLY

Please pray for the sick & elderly of the parish, family & friends especially: Fr John-Allen Green OFM, Nokuthula Kubheka, Penny Powell, Jean Smith, Dolly Bimbrish, Simon Zulu, Alvin Govender, Siva Naidoo, Mavis Makhubo, Fidelma Hanlon and Noel Hoffman



**1st Comm &
Post 1st
Comm
9am - 2pm
Bring your
own lunch**

DATE	SACRISTAN	EMOHC	PROCLAIMER	MASS INTENTION	FR'S DINNER
01/11/2023	Celeste		Gill/ Luiz		Bhavna
12/11/2023	Fabian	Christopher	Asanda/Fabian		
18/11/2023	Michelle		Sal/Nokwazi		Candida
19/11/2023	Lindiwe	Fabian	Nonhlanhla/Leah		