

Daily Readings For The Week

Monday November 06th

Reading 1: **ROMANS 11: 29-36**

Responsorial Psalm: **P S. 69: 30-31,33-34,36-37**

Gospel: **LUKE 14: 12-14**

Tuesday November 07th

Reading 1: **ROMANS 12: 5-16**

Responsorial Psalm: **PS. 131: 1-3**

Gospel: **LUKE 14: 15-24**

Wednesday November 08th

Reading 1: **ROMANS 13: 8-10**

Responsorial Psalm: **PS. 112: 1-5,9**

Gospel: **LUKE 14: 25-33**

Thursday November 09th

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome.

Reading 1: **EZEKIEL 47: 1-2,8-9,12**

Responsorial Psalm: **PS 46: 2-3,5-6,8-9; 1COR. 3: 9-11,16-17**

Gospel: **JOHN 2: 13-22**

Friday November 10th

St. Leo the great, pope & doctor.

Reading 1: **ROMANS 15: 14-21**

Responsorial Psalm: **PS. 98: 1-4**

Gospel: **LUKE 16: 1-8**

Saturday November 11th

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop.

Reading 1: **1 ROMANS 16: 3-9,16,22-27**

Responsorial Psalm: **PS. 145: 2-5,10-11**

Gospel: **LUKE 16: 9-15**

Announcements

1. A warm Welcome to all our visitors who are worshiping with us for the first time.
2. Happy Birthday and Anniversary to those celebrating their special day this week.
3. 2nd collection today is for the expenses of the Archdiocese of Kingston.
4. Senior Citizens meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 08, 2017 @ 1:30 p.m.
5. First Church Council Meeting will be on Sunday, November 12, 2017.
6. St. E's Basic School Mass - Tuesday, November 14, 2017 @ 8:00 a.m.
7. BLESSING OF GRAVES: -
Calvary Cemetery, TODAY @ 3:00 p.m.
DOVECOT - Sunday November 12, 2017 @ 2:00 p.m.
MEADOWREST - Sunday November 19, 2017 @ 1:00 p.m.
8. St. Elizabeth of Hungry Feast Day - November 17th.
9. The CWL of the Archdiocese of Kingston will be hosting MASS ON THE RIVER on Sunday, November 18, 2017 @ Turtle River Park in St. Ann. See members of the CWL for more details.
10. CHRIST THE KING - Sunday, November 26, 2017
11. 50th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - of the Establishing of the Diocese of Kingston as an Archdiocese and the Episcopal Ordination of the Most Rev. Edgerton R. Clarke. Mass of thanksgiving at the Cathedral of the most Holy Trinity on Thursday, November 30, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m. All are invited.
12. Our annual Pre Christmas Brunch will be held on Sunday, December 17, 2017. Cost is \$1,400.00.

Welcome to the Roman Catholic
Community of St. Elizabeth's Church
"A Catholic Community in the Passionist Tradition"



31st Sunday
in
Ordinary Time

November 05, 2017

Theme: Our Priests.

How do we treat other people in our lives? What do we think about immigrants? What about the people whom we don't like? Do we ever think about all of these people in terms of what Jesus has taught us? Do we think about these people in terms of what our Catholic Church teaches us?

Celebrating the Eucharist

Sundays: 10:30 a.m. Tue, Fri: 8:00 a.m.

Wednesdays: 5:30 p.m.

Rev. Fr. Richard Award, C.P.

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Office Hours

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Office is closed on Saturdays & Sundays.
Pastor is available during office hours and by appointment.

The first reading today is from the Book of the Prophet Malachi. -What wonderful images he uses in his writings! Today, however, he is very strong: "If you don't listen to me, I will make your life awful!" This is often how God acts in our lives. Our lives become so awful that finally we think of the Lord and wonder what He wants of us and if we are being faithful. Malachi asks us "Why then do we break faith with one another, violating the covenant of our fathers?" This is a message for all of us, even today. Do we keep the covenant of the Lord? Are we faithful to the teachings of Scripture and of the Church? If we are not faithful, why??

The second reading is from the First Letter to the Thessalonians. One important point in this reading is this: "In receiving the word of God from hearing us, you received not a human word but, as it truly is, the word of God." This is so important for each of us to understand! We speak in human words and yet we can receive the word of God.

This is particularly true when we read the human words of the Scripture and by faith believe that God is revealing Himself. Today many people no longer believe that Scripture is God's revelation. We Catholics believe with our whole being that the Scriptures are the Revelation of God.

Yet it is important to understand how these Scriptures are God's Revelation. We are not literalists in the sense that we believe that every word is a revelation. Rather, we embrace a theory of revelation which tells us that God is present and speaking to us in His Scriptures.

To understand the Scriptures we must understand the people who wrote them, the times in which they were written, the history of these writings and so forth. But that never takes away from the reality that we believe that in hearing these words, in reading these words, we are encountering the Lord God revealing Himself to us.

The Gospel today is from the Gospel of Saint Matthew. Here we encounter this teaching: "The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted." We should always keep this teaching in our hearts and in our minds. We must seek to serve one another, not dominate one another. We should seek to proclaim this word of God in the way we live and relate to one another.

The more humble we become, the possible it is for God's word and God's presence to be known by others. Jesus gives us the example of those who try to follow the Law but only put burdens on others. It is clear that our challenge is not to judge others nor to tell others what to do. Our challenge is to live the word of God in such a way that others are drawn to God.

Let us walk in the way of the Lord.



The Order of Mass

Gathering: *No. 489 "Who's The Man Who Loves The Poor?"*

Lord Have Mercy

Opening Prayer

First Reading: Malachi 1: 14-2: 2,8-10

{Pearline Maxfield}

Responsorial Psalm: 130{131}: 1-3

Response: In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 2: 7-9,13

{Nadine Hibbert}

Gospel Acclamation: You have but one father in heaven and one master, the Christ.

Gospel: Matthew 23: 1-12

Homily

Universal Prayer

Greeting of Peace

Preparation of Gifts: } *No. 141 "Hear, O Lord"*

2nd Collection: }

Presentation of Gifts: *No. 379 "Take My Life, My Lord"*

Hosanna

Memorial Acclamation

Great Amen

Lord's Prayer

Lamb of God

Communion: *No. 155 "I Am The Bread Of Life"*

Meditation: *No. 425 "There's A Sweet, Sweet Spirit In This Place"*

Sending Forth: *No. 154 "I Am A Child - You Called My Name"*