

# November 19, 2017

## Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 157

### Reading 1 [Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31](#)

When one finds a worthy wife,  
her value is far beyond pearls.  
Her husband, entrusting his heart to her,  
has an unfailing prize.  
She brings him good, and not evil,  
all the days of her life.  
She obtains wool and flax  
and works with loving hands.  
She puts her hands to the distaff,  
and her fingers ply the spindle.  
She reaches out her hands to the poor,  
and extends her arms to the needy.  
Charm is deceptive and beauty fleeting;  
the woman who fears the LORD is to be  
praised.  
Give her a reward for her labors,  
and let her works praise her at the city gates.

### Responsorial Psalm [Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5](#)

R. (cf. 1a) **Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**

Blessed are you who fear the LORD,  
who walk in his ways!

For you shall eat the fruit of your  
handiwork;  
blessed shall you be, and favored.

R. **Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine  
in the recesses of your home;  
Your children like olive plants  
around your table.

R. **Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**

Behold, thus is the man blessed  
who fears the LORD.

The LORD bless you from Zion:  
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem

all the days of your life.

R. **Blessed are those who fear the Lord.**

### Reading 2 [1 Thes 5:1-6](#)

Concerning times and seasons, brothers and  
sisters,

you have no need for anything to be written  
to you.

For you yourselves know very well that the  
day of the Lord will come

like a thief at night.

When people are saying, "Peace and  
security, "

then sudden disaster comes upon them,  
like labor pains upon a pregnant woman,  
and they will not escape.

But you, brothers and sisters, are not in  
darkness,

for that day to overtake you like a thief.

For all of you are children of the light  
and children of the day.

We are not of the night or of darkness.

Therefore, let us not sleep as the rest do,  
but let us stay alert and sober.

### Alleluia [Jn 15:4a, 5b](#)

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Remain in me as I remain in you, says the  
Lord.

Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

### Gospel [Mt 25:14-30](#)

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.'"