

## November 11, 2018 - 32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### From the Desk of the Pastor ....

With regards to gifts we have a saying that goes: 'It's the thought that counts.' Yet in practice we often forget this and use a different criterion. We judge a gift by its size, and at times, by its cost.

But this can be so unfair. Christ did not fall for it. He said that the poor widow, who gave a single penny, gave more than anyone else. Jesus looking into the hearts of the people around him knew why. The poor widow gave all she had. She gave everything, even that little penny, all that was left to live on. The rest of the donors gave from what they had. They may have shared something from among their wealth and riches.

We give but little, when we give from our surplus possessions. It is only when we give of ourselves, that we truly give. There are people who have little and who give it all. They are really great. Through the hands of such people God cares for his people, and through their eyes, he smiles on the world.

We may feel that we do not have much to give. However, we can give little things and give them with great love and care. Then we will be imitating the poor widow, who was able to look beyond her own need, because she placed her trust in God.

We often judge our own contribution and that of others by standards other than those of the Gospel.

In the world we live in, prizes, certificates and recognitions are given not for trying, but for results. It is a culture where results matter. According to this line of thinking, the best team is always the one that wins. Best is defined by results, what and who performs better, which company returns a profit and a larger margin of benefits.

But Jesus does not judge according to appearances or by results. He has a different yardstick. He says: "No, it is not the result that counts, but the spirit shown. It is not what has been attained but the price that has been paid that matters.

As T.S. Eliot once said: "It is the 'trying' that matters ... the rest is not our business".

The rest is for God.

### Reflexiones del Párroco...

En cuanto a regalos tenemos un dicho que dice: 'Es el pensamiento lo que cuenta'. Sin embargo en la práctica se nos olvida a menudo esto y utilizamos un criterio diferente. Juzgamos un regalo por su tamaño y a veces, por su costo. Pero esto puede ser tan injusto.

El Señor Jesús no cayó en esto. Dijo que la pobre viuda, quien dio un centavo, dio más que nadie. Jesús mirando los corazones de la gente alrededor de Él sabía por qué. La pobre viuda dio todo lo que tenía. Ella dio todo, incluso ese pequeño centavo, todo lo que le quedaba para vivir. El resto de los donantes dieron de lo que tenían. Compartieron algo entre sus riquezas y sus abundancias.

Damos pero poco, cuando damos de nuestras posesiones. Es sólo cuando damos de nosotros mismos, que verdaderamente, damos. Hay personas que tienen poco y que lo dan todo. Ellos son realmente generosos. A través de las manos de estas personas es que Dios cuida de su pueblo y por medio de sus ojos, le sonrío al mundo. Podemos sentir que no tenemos mucho para dar. Sin embargo, podemos dar cosas pequeñas y darlas con gran amor y cuidado. Entonces imitaremos a la pobre viuda, que pudo mirar más allá de su propia necesidad, porque depositó su confianza en Dios.

A menudo juzgamos nuestra propia contribución y la de los demás por normas distintas de las del Evangelio.

En el mundo en que vivimos, premios, certificados y reconocimientos son dados no por tratar, sino por resultados. Es una cultura donde resultados importan. Según esta línea de pensamiento, el mejor equipo es siempre el que gana. El mejor se define por resultados, qué y quién realiza lo mejor, cual compañía devuelve una ganancia y un margen mayor de beneficios.

Pero Jesús no juzga según las apariencias o por premios. Él tiene un criterio diferente. Dice: "No, no es el resultado lo que cuenta, sino el espíritu que se muestra. No es lo que se ha alcanzado pero el precio que se ha pagado lo que importa.

Como dijo una vez T.S. Eliot: "El tratar es lo que importa... el resto no es nuestro negocio".

El resto es para Dios.

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

#### Saturday, November 10

9:00am † All Souls Novena

4:30pm † Rufino Labari

#### Sunday, November 11

7:30am † Adam Anolin

9:30am † Guido & Marie Guinasso

11:00am † Eliza Brennan

12:30pm † Anna Caceres

#### Monday, November 12

9:00am † Henry & Teresa Thran & Michael Gragnani

#### Tuesday, November 13

9:00am † Diane Jean Shasky & Family

#### Wednesday, November 14

9:00am † Margaret Kearney

#### Thursday, November 15

9:00am Glory Dalere (bday)

#### Friday, November 16

9:00am † Dr. Cesar Santos

#### Saturday, November 17

9:00am † Bill Sacramento

4:30pm † Elpidio Binalinbing

### SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection is for the **2018 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal**

Parish Assessment	\$ 40,397.00
YTD we paid:	\$ 34,738.00
Balance we owe	\$ 5,659.00

Kindly consider helping meet our goal. Thank you for your continued generous support.

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

#### COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

Oct 30<sup>th</sup> - Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Tuesday's Spec coll. ....	\$ 127.00
Tues. On-line giving .....	\$ 5.00
First Friday coll.....	\$ 139.00
Weekend Offering .....	\$ 2,723.00
Weekend On-line giving.	\$ 445.00
St. Patrick Seminary.....	\$1,111.00
St. Patrick On-line giving.	\$ 0.00
All Saints Coll.....	\$1,520.00
All Saints On-line giving.	\$ 65.00
All Souls Coll.....	\$ 575.00
All Souls On-line giving..	\$ 45.00

### October 2018 Collection Data

October 7.....	\$ 3,451.00
October 14.....	\$ 2,965.00
October 21.....	\$ 3,370.00
October 28.....	\$ 3,387.00

