

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—November 16, 2025

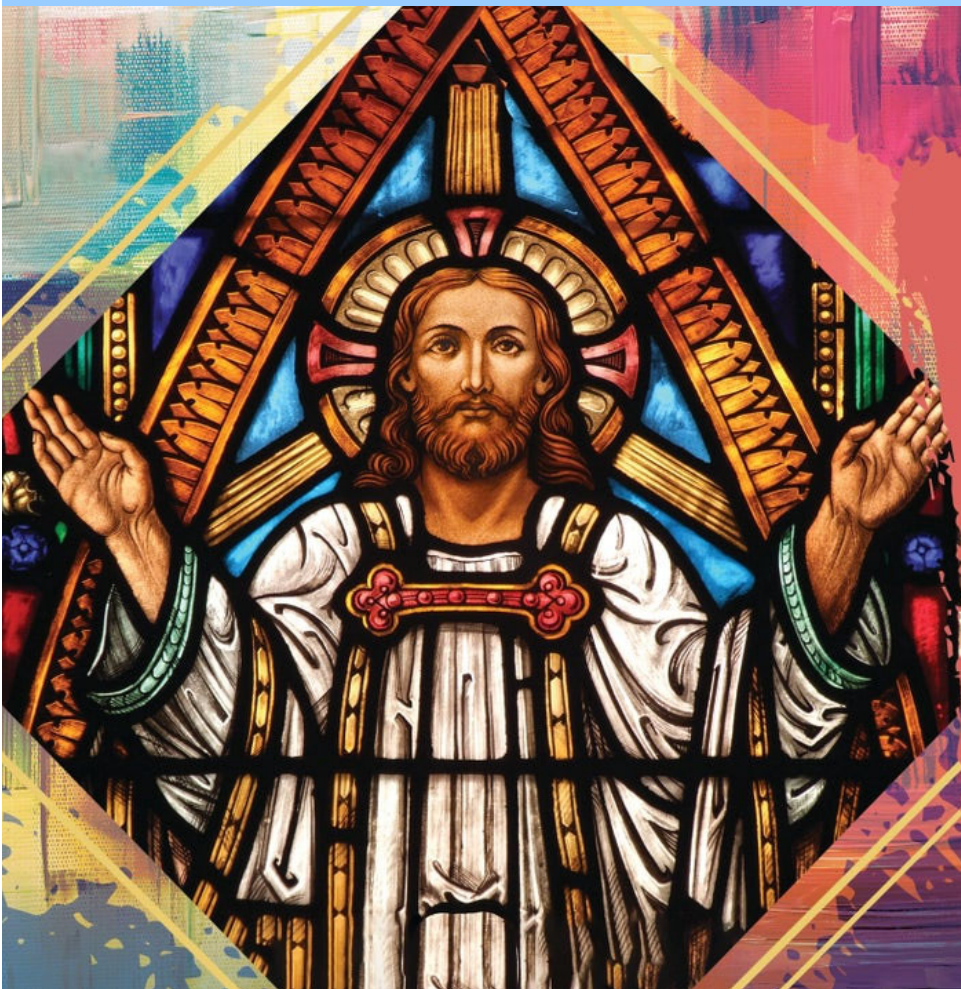
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To foster a harmonious, loving and prayerful atmosphere within the parish community that will project the love of Christ!



33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute.” - Lk 21:15

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Welcome to St. Didacus Church

Our warmest welcome to all! We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you here, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the Parish. We invite

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

But for you who fear my name, there will arise
the sun of justice with its healing rays. (Mal 3:20)

Psalm:

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice. (Ps 98)

Second Reading:

Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you,
so that you might imitate us. (2 Thes 3:9)

Gospel:

"You will be hated by all because of my name,
but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.
By your perseverance you will secure your lives." (Lk 21:17-19)

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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus' words today are filled with fire
and brimstone, vivid with images of pain,
suffering, confusion — and, ultimately,
peace. Do we believe what he promises?
Do we have the endurance to stay with
him until the end?

Observances for the week of November 16, 2025

Sunday:	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
Tuesday:	The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin
Friday:	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
Next Sunday:	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



Devotions, Explained!

An Advent Wreath consists of a circle of evergreen and four candles, one for each week of Advent. Three of the candles are purple; one is rose, representing Gaudete Sunday, a time of rejoicing at the closeness of Christmas.

Prayer in Season of Trust

O Lord,
Be with me now, I feel so alone.
Bring Your blessings to me, like
the light of a candle in darkness.
Wrap me in Your mercy,
give me strength to face every
hardship.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of November 16, 2025

Sunday:

Mal 3:19-20a/Ps 98:5-6, 7-8, 9 (see 9)/
2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Monday:

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps
119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday:

2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday:

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and
15/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday:

1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/
Lk 19:41-44

Friday:

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd,
11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday:

1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/
Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday:

2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5 (see 1)/
Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

When I was a kid growing up in New England, I'd occasionally go on a whale watch. Once we went out with calm waters and clear skies. But on the way back in, the sea got rough. I was just a kid, and I remember thinking we should turn left or right toward the shoreline I could see. But the pilot of the boat kept going straight — right into the waves — focused on a small, discouragingly distant lighthouse. Even when it flickered in and out of sight, he stayed the course. He knew where he was going.

That image comes to mind when I hear Jesus' words in today's Gospel regarding false messiahs: **"Do not follow them" (Luke 21:8)**. In times of chaos or uncertainty, there are always voices offering easier routes, promising false safety, claiming to speak for God. But Jesus isn't found in the loudest voice or the nearest shoreline. He is steady, like a lighthouse in the storm.

The tribulation of which Jesus speaks — it's real. It happened to the Temple, it happened to him, it happens in the Church, and it will come to each of us. But the command is not to panic. It's to endure. To keep steering toward him. Faith isn't about having all the answers or dodging every wave. It's about knowing where the lighthouse is — and trusting it enough to keep going, especially when false safety beckons us to stop.

— Father John Muir

"It will lead to your giving testimony. Remember, you are not to prepare your defense beforehand, for I myself shall give you a wisdom in speaking that all your adversaries will be powerless to resist or refute." - Lk 21:13-15

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The prophet Malachi tells us that those who "fear" the Lord will be spared at God's coming judgment. What does it mean to "fear the Lord"?

Second Reading:

Paul gave the Thessalonians some very practical advice: work quietly and eat your own food! Are you open to taking advice from a loved one?

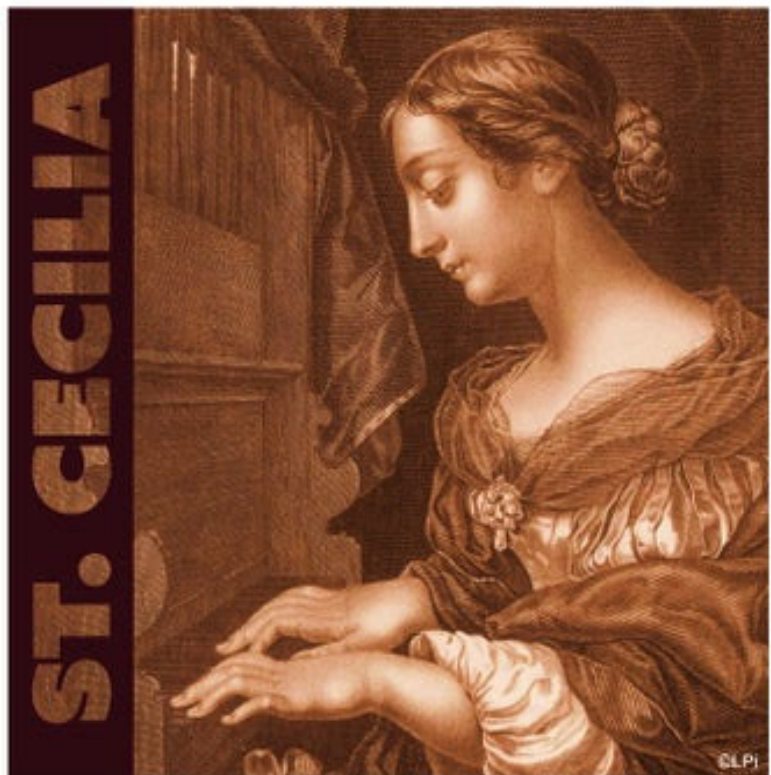
Gospel:

Jesus forewarned his followers that they will be persecuted for their faith in him, even with relatives and friends. How do you support friends and co-workers who are fellow believers?



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Prayer

Dear God, help me to be brave and tell other people about you.

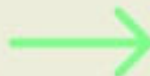
Mission for the Week

Write down three things that scare you. Tell God about them. Ask God to help you.

Sharing the Gospel

Sometimes this world can be a scary place in which to live. Fighting, sickness, and storms can kill a lot of people. Jesus says that when those things happen around you, do not be afraid. Even when you die, you can still live forever with God. You have heaven to look forward to. When scary things happen around you, tell the people you love about Jesus. Tell them they can live forever with Jesus, too, so they don't need to be afraid.

Now color
the picture!



Unscramble words from today's Gospel:

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, November 15

5:00 p.m. Severino Yanos, Teodora Yanos, Emilio De Peralta, Guadalupe De Peralta, Clemente & Romana Yanos may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory.

7:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Maria Louisa Espinoza, Gabino Meza Garcia, Teresa Topete Landeros, Esperanza Ramos, Dora Ramos e Elodia Perez.

Sunday, November 16

6:30 a.m. John Stephen Lee, Edna G. Pacquing & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

8:00 a.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Enrique Contreras e Ignacio Pulido. Feliz cumpleaños de Aaron Navarrete e Jose Luis Navarrete Jr.

10:00 a.m. Joseph Hernandez, Thomas J Velis Sr, Abraham Topete, Velia Topete & Juan Leonardo Munoz may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

11:30a.m Matthew Escajeda, Carmen Perez Olvera & Leopoldo Romero, may they rest in peace. Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

1:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Roberto Ramos, Maria Garcia, Manuel Avalos. Feliz Cumplaenos de Emmanuel Jimenez.

6:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Petra Reynaga, Adulfo Vargas, Jose Ascencio Ramirez, Elodia Lopez, Dora Ramos e Esperanza Ramos. Feliz Cumpleaños de Adlina Maximina Diego

Monday, November 17

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Erlinda Viray, Carmen Calisin, Gerardo Jose Fregoso & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special intentions for Daniel Macias

6:00PM Para El Eterno Descanso de Carmen Rojas, Jose Luis Torres, Dora Ramos, Esperanza Ramos e Asuncion Lopez.

Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory. Intencion Especial de Jesus Santana

Tuesday, November 18

7:30 a.m. John Stephen Lee, Juana Avila, Apolonia Larez & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Daniel Macias & Bertha Gutierrez

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Maria Orozco, Enriquez Sedona, Dora Ramos, Esperanza Ramos e Angela Murguilla.

Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, November 19

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Alfredo Gutierrez & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Daniel Macias, Cecilio, Cecilia, Miguel & Ashley Uribe

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Alfonso Rodriguez, Dora Ramos e Esperanza Ramos. Feliz Cumpleaños de Eva Chavez

Thursday, November 20

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Hilaria Lucia, Ampelia Gudino & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Daniel Macias, Cecilio, Cecilia, Miguel & Ashley Uribe

6:00 p.m Para El Eterno Descanso de Felix Virgen, Dora Ramos e Esperanza Ramos .

Friday, November 21

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Barbara Alcala & Albert Dib may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of the Palomera Rios Family, Cecilio, Cecilia, Miguel & Ashley Uribe

6:00 p.m. Para El Eterno Descanso de Calixto Medina, Aleida Giraldo, Maria Reyes Gonzalez, Dora Ramos e Esperanza Ramos . Intercessions to all Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, November 22

7:30a.m. John Stephen Lee, Felipa Martin & Albert Dib, may they rest in peace. Special Intentions of Palomera Rios family. Intercessions to all souls in Purgatory.

Thanksgiving Day Thursday November 27

7:00 am. ~ English Mass ~ 9:00 am. ~ Bilingual Mass

If you would like to bring your bread, wine, or candles to be blessed for your special dinner at home, there will be a table in the church. At these Masses, if you would like to donate canned goods for our Food Ministry it would be much appreciated.

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6:00 p.m. Spanish Mass on Thanksgiving day.

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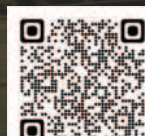
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Daily Mass: (Monday –Saturday) 7:30 a.m.

Holy Days: 7 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Reconciliations :Wednesday & Fridays: 7:00 p.m.
8:30 p.m. Saturdays After 7:30 mass

Baptisms: Second and fourth Sunday of the month at
2:30 p.m.

Weddings: 6 months Advance notice.

Quinceaneras: Family must live in Sylmar, be registered in the parish and using the Sunday envelope, be registered and attending Confirmation Classes at St. Didacus. No Escorts allowed. Only the Chambelan de Honor will walk with the Quinceañera at the end of the Mass.

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