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CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

LOW MASS EVERY SUNDAY AT 8:30 AM SUNG MASS EVERY SUNDAY AT 10:30 AM Wednesday mid-week Mass at 10:30 am



8:30 am Low Mass and 10:30 am Sung Mass

The Liturgy of the Word

A reading from the book of Genesis (32.22-31)

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket, and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans [c] and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

This is the word of the Lord R. Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth

I lift up my eyes toward the mountains; whence shall help come to me? My help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth

May he not suffer your foot to slip; may he slumber not who guards you; indeed he neither slumbers nor sleeps, the guardian of Israel

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth

The Lord is your guardian; the Lord is your shade; he is beside you at your right hand.

The sun shall not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth

The Lord will guard you from all evil; he will guard your life. The Lord will guard your coming and your going, both now and forever

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A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy (3.14 - 4.5)

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have known sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that the person of God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favourable or unfavourable; convince, rebuke, and encourage with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming

when people will not put up with sound teaching, but, having their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, be sober in everything, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

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Sung Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia The word of God is living and effective, discerning reflections and thoughts of the heart.

All: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

The Gospel of Luke (18:1-8)

The Lord be with you. **All: And also with you** Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

This is the Gospel of the Lord R. Praise to you, O Christ

Sunday Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a story about a widow who refuses to give up. Day after day she comes before the judge, pleading for justice until he finally listens. Her persistence becomes an image of faith, not desperate repetition but trust that God hears and cares. Jesus invites us to pray like this widow, with courage, honesty, and endurance. Sometimes we think unanswered prayers mean God is silent, but often He is shaping our hearts to depend more deeply on Him. Faith is not proven by quick results but by staying in the conversation with God. When the Son of Man comes, may He find in us a faith that keeps praying, trusting, and hoping.

NOTICES

SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY

The Next Young Adults Meeting (20's-30's) is on Thursday November 6th at 7 pm. Come and join us!

The Memorial service for Sylvia Stuckrath will take place on Saturday, November 8th at 2:30 pm at St. Edwards. Reception following the service.

The Sunday 8:30 am Low Mass is now celebrated every Sunday. We now have two Sunday masses celebrated regularly every week at St. Edward's. Always remember to make the Lord's Day holy!









Restoring the Beauty of Our Church



Our beautiful church needs your help!
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