

# Treasures in Heaven

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Luke 12:34 (NIV)

Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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1. 14-18-5-13-1-22-18-5

2. 1-5-19-19

3. 16-5-1-14-18-25-3-1

4. 26-5-13-12-5-9


5. 14-26-10-5-6

6. 4-25-14-26

7. 24-10-12-5

8. 26-5-13-18-14

SELL	TREASURE	THIEF	DESTROYS
GIVE	HEAVEN	MOTH	HEART



Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not. Luke 12:40

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# REFLECTION

In the Gospel of today’s Liturgy, Jesus speaks to the disciples to reassure them about every fear and to invite them to be vigilant. He addresses two fundamental exhortations to them: the first is, “Fear not, little flock” (Lk 12:32); the second is, “Be ready” (cf. v. 35). “Fear not” and be ready”.

They are two key words for conquering the fears that paralyse us at times, and to overcome the temptation of a passive, slumbering life. Fear not. Jesus encourages the disciples. He has just finished speaking to them about the loving and provident care of the Father, who cares for the lilies of the fields and the birds of the air, and therefore, all the more for his children. So there is no need to worry and fret, for our story is firmly in God’s hands. Is it the fear of failure, of not being acknowledged and loved, the fear of not being able to accomplish our plans, of never being happy, and so on? That is why we scramble to look for solutions, to find a space in which to emerge, to accumulate goods and wealth, to obtain security; thus we end up living anxiously and constantly worrying. Instead, Jesus reassures us: Do not be afraid! Trust in the Father who wants to give you all you truly need.

But knowing that the Lord watches over us with love does not entitle us to slumber, to let ourselves succumb to laziness! On the contrary, we must be alert, vigilant. Indeed, to love means being attentive to the other, being aware of his or her needs, being available to listen and welcome, being ready.

The second word is: Be ready. This is Christian wisdom. It reminds us how necessary it is necessary to be awake, not to fall asleep, not to be distracted, not to give in to inner idleness, because the Lord comes even in situations in which we do not expect him.

Being vigilant also means being responsible, that is, safeguarding and administering those goods faithfully. We have received so much: life, faith, family, relationships, work, but also the places where we live, our community, creation. We have received so many things, but are we guardians of all that has been given to us?

Brothers and sisters, let us walk without fear, in the certainty that the Lord accompanies us always. And let us stay awake lest we be asleep when the Lord passes by. Saint Augustine used to say, “I am afraid that the Lord will pass by and I will not notice”. To be asleep, and not to notice that the Lord passes by. Be alert! May the Virgin Mary help us, who welcomed the Lord’s visit and readily and generously said, “Here I am”.

## NOTICES

**Battle Hill Pilgrimage** takes place this Sunday, August 10th, 2025 at 3pm at the Battle Hill Shine. Please make arrangements to attend.

The Bishop will meet with all the members of the **Parish Pastoral Council** on Wednesday 13th August at 5pm at Norton Hall. All members are please requested to be present at this very important meeting.

**All announcements** required to be published on the bulletin should be submitted to the office not later than Thursday of that week .

### WEEKDAY READINGS (PSALTER WEEK 3)

**11 Monday - St. Clair, Virgin**  
Deuteronomy 10: 12-22; Matthew 17: 22-27

**12 Tuesday - St. Jane Frances De Chantal, Religious**  
Deuteronomy 31: 1-8; Matthew 18: 1-5, 10, 12-14

**13 Wednesday - Weekday in Ordinary Time**  
Deuteronomy 34: 1-12; Matthew 18: 15-20

**14 Thursday - St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyr**  
Joshua 3: 7-10a, 11, 13-17; Matthew 18: 21 - 19: 1

**15 Friday - Solemnity of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Revelation 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab; Luke 1: 39-56

**16 Saturday - St. Stephen of Hungary**  
Joshua 24: 14-29; Matthew 19: 13-15

**17 Sunday - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### Nutrition Tip for the week

Store dried and canned foods for the hurricane season. Avoid storing large amounts of fresh meats. Have clean containers to store water and dried foods.

**LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:**

Limo Grant, Ann Bishop, Thelma Joseph, Michael Philbert, Dean Andrew, Clarissa Bain, Arnold Joseph, Ambrose Noel, Andrea Jessica, Veronica Thomas, Emma Joseph, Joseph Ross, Finley Gill.

## Catechesis Corner

### THE TEN COMMANDMENTS CONT...

#### THE FIFTH COMMANDMENT cont...

**You shall not kill. (Ex 20:13; cf. Deut 5:17)**

### II. RESPECT FOR THE DIGNITY OF PERSONS

#### Respect for bodily integrity

Kidnapping and hostage taking bring on a reign of terror; by means of threats they subject their victims to intolerable pressures. They are morally wrong. Terrorism threatens, wounds, and kills indiscriminately; it is gravely against justice and charity. Torture which uses physical or moral violence to extract confessions, punish the guilty, frighten opponents, or satisfy hatred is contrary to respect for the person and for human dignity. Except when performed for strictly therapeutic medical reasons, directly intended amputations, mutilations, and sterilizations performed on innocent persons are against the moral law. (cf. DS 3722)

In times past, cruel practices were commonly used by legitimate governments to maintain law and order, often without protest from the Pastors of the Church, who themselves adopted in their own tribunals the prescriptions of Roman law concerning torture. Regrettable as these facts are, the Church always taught the duty of clemency and mercy. She forbade clerics to shed blood. In recent times it has become evident that these cruel practices were neither necessary for public order, nor in conformity with the legitimate rights of the human person. On the contrary, these practices led to ones even more degrading. It is necessary to work for their abolition. We must pray for the victims and their tormentors.

#### Respect for the dead

The dying should be given attention and care to help them live their last moments in dignity and peace. They will be helped by the prayer of their relatives, who must see to it that the sick receive at the proper time the sacraments that prepare them to meet the living God.

The bodies of the dead must be treated with respect and charity, in faith and hope of the Resurrection. The burial of the dead is a corporal work of mercy; (cf. Tob 1:16-18) it honors the children of God, who are temples of the Holy Spirit.

Autopsies can be morally permitted for legal inquests or scientific research. The free gift of organs after death is legitimate and can be meritorious.

The Church permits cremation, provided that it does not demonstrate a denial of faith in the resurrection of the body. (cf. CIC, can. 1176 § 3).

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### COLLECTIONS:

**18th Sunday in Ordinary Time /C - 03rd August, 2025**

Cathedral 6.00 p.m.	\$ 902.64	Belmont	\$ 215.00
Cathedral 8.00 a.m.	\$ 1132.20	Mt. Mortiz	\$ 210.00
Brizan/Happy Hill	\$ 956.95	Fontenoy	\$ 189.05
Tempe	\$ 524.40		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 4,130.24</b>		

### PRAYER FOR PROTECTION AGAINST NATURAL DISASTERS

Loving Father, maker of heaven and earth, Lord of all creation. All elements of nature obey your command. With faith in your love and mercy, we pray that you may protect us, your people from storms, hurricanes and all other natural disasters. We place all our trust and hope in you, calm our fears and help us to be thankful to you for your goodness. Lord hear our prayer and answer us in your wisdom, love and mercy. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST:

#### For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

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**19th Sunday in Ordinary Time / C - August 10th, 2025**

### Sunday Mass Schedules:

Cathedral Saturday: 6:00 p.m.  
Belmont Saturday: 6:00 p.m.  
Brizan Sunday: 6:30 a.m.  
Cathedral Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Happy Hill Sunday: 8:00 a.m.  
Tempe Sunday: 8:00 a.m.  
Fontenoy Sunday: 10:00 a.m.  
Mt. Moritz Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

### Weekday Masses:

Cathedral: 6:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.  
Happy Hill - Wednesday - 6 pm

### CONFESSIO:

Cathedral: Saturdays: 7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.  
(Priests available at request)

### Welcome!

We are servants of God and of one another. As we gather to celebrate this liturgy, let us ask forgiveness for our sins of sloth and carelessness in our service of God and of one another.

**First Reading:** From the Book of Wisdom chapter 18 verses 6 to 9. Just as God came to the rescue of the Jews in Egypt, so he will save those who put their trust in him.

**Second Reading:** We are called to imitate the faith of the patriarchs, especially that of Abraham, our father in faith. We read this from the letter to the Hebrews chapter 11 verses 1 to 2 and 8 to 9.

**Gospel:** According to Luke chapter 12 verses 32 to 48. The parable of the waiting servants urges a constant watchfulness and faithfulness.