

LYNNFIELD CATHOLIC COLLABORATIVE

## *Children's Liturgy of the Word*

### *32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*



### *Family Guide:*

This is a guide designed for families to use in addition to our Children's Liturgy of the Word video for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time! Included in this guide are the Opening and Closing prayers, the Gospel Reading, and Directions for the craft activity. You will find a resource page with additional activities as well!

## Opening Hymn:

Gather us in ([CLICK HERE](#))

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## Opening Prayer:

Jesus, we pray that we have the wisdom to always follow you, and that we be ready to help others and to be kind to each other - just as you taught us. Amen.

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## 1st Reading:

### Wisdom 6: 12-16

#### **A reading from the book of Wisdom:**

Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is readily perceived by those who love her, and found by those who seek her. She hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire; Whoever watches for her at dawn shall not be disappointed, for he shall find her sitting by his gate. For taking thought of wisdom is the perfection of prudence, and whoever for her sake keeps vigil shall quickly be free from care; because she makes her own rounds, seeking those worthy of her, and graciously appears to them in the ways, and meets them with all solicitude.

**The word of the Lord.** *Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm:

*My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.*

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## 2nd Reading:

### 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

#### **A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Thessalonians:**

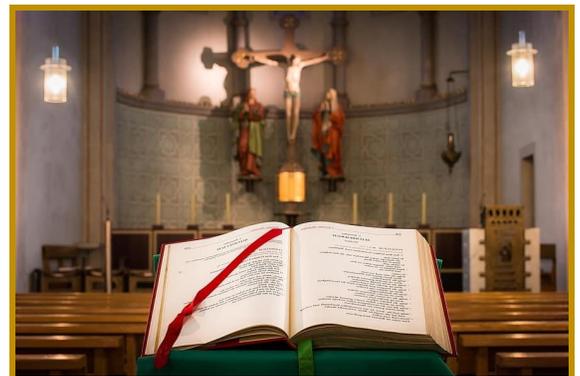
We do not want you to be unaware, brothers and sisters, about those who have fallen asleep, so that you may not grieve like the rest, who have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep. Indeed, we tell you this, on the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will surely not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself, with a word of command, with the voice of an archangel and with the trumpet of God, will come down from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore, console one another with these words.

**The word of the Lord.** *Thanks be to God*

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## Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia** ([Click Here](#))



## *Gospel:*

### **Matthew 25: 1-13**

#### **A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew**

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were wise. The foolish ones, when taking their lamps, brought no oil with them, but the wise brought flasks of oil with their lamps. Since the bridegroom was long delayed, they all became drowsy and fell asleep. At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise ones replied, 'No, for there may not be enough for us and you. Go instead to the merchants and buy some for yourselves.' While they went off to buy it, the bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

**The Gospel of the Lord.** *Praise to you Lord, Jesus Christ*

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## *Profession of Faith*

***Yes Lord, I Believe! ([Click Here](#))***

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## *Prayer of the Faithful:*

**Response:** *Lord, hear our prayer.*

## Family Activity:

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us the story of the ten bridesmaids - five who were wise and five who were foolish. The five wise bridesmaids came to the wedding prepared and were ready, while the five foolish bridesmaids did not come prepared. It's important for us to be prepared - and it's important for us to be prepared for when Jesus comes again. We can prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming by making sure we follow what Jesus taught us and showed us. Complete the activity worksheet included in this PDF by coloring in the image of the pathway and writing or drawing ways that you can follow Jesus this week (such as by being kind to others, helping with chores, listening to parents, etc.).

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## Closing Prayer:

God help us to be ready to always follow you. May we always be ready to care for others, treat others with compassion, and to lend a helping hand whenever someone is in need. Amen.

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## Closing Hymn:

**[Soon and Very Soon \(Click Here\)](#)**



# *Family Resources*

- ***The Kid's Bulletin: November 8th***
- ***Loyola Press: Living Stones***
- ***October/November Family Activities***



I follow Jesus by:

In the pathway, write down the ways  
that you follow Jesus.

