

## COMMUNION OF THE SICK

*Invitation: My brothers and sisters, to prepare ourselves for this celebration, let us call to mind our sins.*

I confess to almighty God,  
and to you, here present,  
that I have sinned through my own  
fault  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done,  
and in what I have failed to do;  
and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin,  
all the angels and saints,  
and you, here present,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins,  
and bring us to everlasting life.

**Amen.**

Now let us pray as Christ the Lord has  
taught us:

**Lord's Prayer:**

**Communion:**

This is the Lamb of God  
who takes away the sins of the world.  
Happy are those who are called to His  
supper.

*Lord, I am not worthy that You  
should enter under my roof.,*

*but only say the word and my soul  
shall be healed.*

The body of Christ.

**Prayer after Communion:**

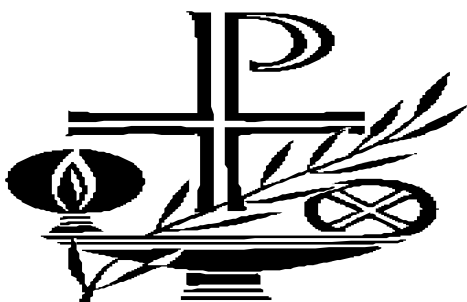
Let us pray.

Father,  
may the food we receive in the  
Eucharist  
help our eternal redemption.  
Keep within us the vigour of Your  
Spirit  
and protect the gifts You have  
given to Your Church.

We ask this in the name of Jesus  
the Lord

**Amen**

May almighty God bless you,  
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy  
Spirit. **Amen**



## 19.11.2023 The Thirtieth-third Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Communion to the Sick & Housebound Elizabeth Catholic Parish



*“An inclusive Eucharistic Community in the  
Catholic Tradition united in Jesus reaching out to  
all”*

**First Reading:- A reading from the book of Proverbs.**

A perfect wife - who can find her?  
She is far beyond the price of pearls.  
Her husband's heart has confidence in her,  
from her he will derive no little profit.  
Advantage and not hurt she brings him  
all the days of her life.  
She is always busy with wool and with flax,  
she does her work with eager hands.  
She sets her hands to the distaff,  
her fingers grasp the spindle.  
She holds out her hand to the poor,  
she opens her arms to the needy.  
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;  
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.  
Give her a share in what her hands have  
worked for, and let her works tell her praises  
at the city gates.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Responsorial Psalm:-**

***R. Happy are those who fear the Lord.***

O blessed are those who fear the Lord  
and walk in his ways!  
By the labour of your hands you shall eat.  
You will be happy and prosper. **R.**

Your wife like a fruitful vine  
in the heart of your house;  
your children like shoots of the olive,  
around your table. **R.**

Indeed thus shall be blessed  
the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you from Zion  
in a happy Jerusalem  
all the days of your life. **R.**



**Second Reading:- A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians.**

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons,' since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is,' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all sons of light and sons of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

**Gospel:- A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.**

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said, "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

