Liturgy and Music Planning Overview

For November 19, 2017
Which is the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Lectionary # 157

Readings: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
I: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
II: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
G: Matthew 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

For reflection:

The Gospel tells a parable of trust and gifts. God does not give us an unmanageable load, but gives us gifts we have the potential to use well. The servants in the Gospel were entrusted with some, and those who did their best to grow their talents are promised more. We are entrusted with small things, gifts and talents to grow and share. We can use these talents in service of the world, and those in need, so that we can be ready for the arrival of the Lord.

What gifts have you been given? Are there gifts you are too shy or afraid to use? Are there more ways you can apply your gifts in service of those in need? How can you serve God and neighbor in even the smallest ways?

Lord, help us to use our gifts in service of those in need, that we may be ready for your return.

Planning your music:

Mass Setting: _________________

Opening Song suggestions:
The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns #428
I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light #644
Christ, Be Our Light #633

Gloria? Yes, every week during Ordinary Time. It’s always preferable to sing the Gloria, but if you’re not ready to do so, it may be spoken. Be sure to let your presider know whether you will speak it or sing it.

Psalm: The psalm for this week is 128. See the arrangement at #341 in the Newman Hymnal.

During Ordinary Time you may also use Psalm 145. See arrangements for Psalm 145 at #356-363 in the Newman Hymnal. You may be most familiar with #358 and #362. #359 is also very simple and can be learned easily.

Alleluia (from your chosen Mass setting) If the Mass setting you are using doesn’t contain an Alleluia, look at #M4, #M97-100. Select one you like and then use it for the whole season.
Alleluia verse:
*Remain in me as I remain in you, says the Lord.*
*Whoever remains in me bears much fruit.*

**Preparation of the Altar and Gifts — Song Suggestions:**
Whenever You Serve Me #734
Christ Has No Body Now But Yours #762
O Day of Peace #682

**Holy, Holy; Memorial Acclamation; Amen (all from your chosen Mass setting)**

**Lord’s Prayer (may be spoken or sung)**

**Lamb of God/Agnus Dei (from your chosen Mass setting)**

**Communion Song Suggestions:**
Gift of Finest Wheat #134
As Grains of Wheat #141
God’s Holy Mystery #145

**Closing Song Suggestions:**
O God, Beyond All Praising #645
For All the Saints #733
Wake, O Wake, and Sleep No Longer #425