

## CATHOLIC CORNER

### THE WEEKEND GOSPELS

In the Gospel from Matthew this weekend we read that we must be ready at all times. In his parable of the Bridesmaids and their Lamps Jesus is telling us that we need to be prepared for God. Being prepared means being ready for something even if you don't know for sure when it's going to happen. For example doing homework so you are prepared for school exams. In our homes, the mornings go much smoother if everyone puts-out their clothes for the next day, packs their lunch and their backpacks and gets to bed on time. When this happens everything the next morning is often calm and smooth. If we are not prepared the mornings can turn our rushed and we forget or do not have time to do important acts like saying a loving goodbye to our mom, dad,

and siblings and cleaning up after ourselves.

In this Season of remembrance and coming preparation during Advent let us ensure we lay aside all distractions, keeping our faith lamps lit so as to remain aware of God's presence in all things.

**Please consider working through the readings at home.**

### WORD DAY OF THE POOR SUNDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

The Fourth World Day of the Poor will be observed on 15 November 2020. This year's theme "Stretch forth your hand to the poor" is a summons to responsibility and commitment as men and women

## WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

November 15, 2020

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who are part of our one human family, as we can read in Pope Francis' text: [http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/papa-francesco\\_20200613\\_messaggio-iv-giornatamondiale-poveri-2020.html](http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/poveri/documents/papa-francesco_20200613_messaggio-iv-giornatamondiale-poveri-2020.html)

providing age appropriate gift cards for a child on the gift card you take.

\* This year due to COVID-19 St. Vincent de Paul will not be handing out gifts to the families in the form of gift cards only.

In the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul, our tradition is to avoid judging and to serve people with love, respect, justice and joy. In response to Pope Francis' appeal, we invite you to work with us and lend a hand, either by participating in our guignolée or in our collection of supplies to help our friends locally in need.



### ANGEL TREE GIFTS

This year will again be running the Angel Tree Gift Drive. St. Vincent de Paul will be asking for Gift Card\* Donations of \$25 for the children of families in need in our local parishes. Please consider

Take Care.  
Be Safe.  
God Bless.

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