

## First Reading

A Read from the Book Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

## The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

**Responsorial Psalm      Psalm 62:2-8**

**For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.**

O God, you are my God, for you I long;  
for you my soul is thirsting.  
My body pines for you  
like a dry, weary land without water.

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary  
to see your strength and your glory.  
For your love is better than life,  
my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life,  
In your name I will lift up my hands.  
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,  
My mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you.  
On you I muse through the night  
for you have been my help;  
In the shadow of your wings I rejoice.

## Second Reading

**Thessalonians 4:13-18**

**A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians**

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. *We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.*

## The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

**Alleluia, Alleluia**

**Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming.**

**Alleluia.**

**Gospel      Matthew 25:1-23**

**The Lord be with you.**

And with your spirit.

**A Reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew**

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took their flasks of oil as well as the lamps. The bridegroom was late, and the all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

**The Gospel of the Lord.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 8/11/2020

Sunday	8.00am	Judith Heath (Anniversary)
Tuesday	8.00am	Lee Parkes (Anniversary)
Wednesday	8.00am	Holy Souls
Thursday	8.00am	Jean Millington RIP
Friday	8.00am	Veronica Ross (Healing)

33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 15/11/2020

Saturday	8.00am	Michael Pennington RIP
Sunday	8.00am	Holy Souls

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- All those who are attending churches must wear a face covering unless they are exempt from doing so. This is for the good of all who gather in the Church for Mass as it is an enclosed public space where there are people from differing households who they do not normally meet.
- Hospital. In the meantime, Priests will only go into the hospital in response to a request from the Hospital switchboard or ward staff. Anyone in the hospital that requires a visit from a priest should please go through the nurse or switchboard. This will be in emergency only. There will be no Holy Communion rounds until further notice.
- To book for seat(s) at Mass online, visit our website [www.barnsleynorth.hallam-diocese.com](http://www.barnsleynorth.hallam-diocese.com) and follow the instructions. You can also call or email the parish office. You can access our weekly newsletter online.

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**Private prayer**

St Mary Magdalene Church will be open on Saturdays 12.00 noon – 1.00pm  
Blessed Sacrament will be open on Sundays 11.00- 12.00 noon

All Masses for the foreseeable future will be Private

**PLEASE AFTER PRAYERS**

We are advised to leave the church immediately, observing the required physical social distancing. People are not expected to stay back in any way to chat.

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Gospel Reflection

10. For decades, it seemed that the world had learned a lesson from its many wars and disasters, and was slowly moving towards various forms of integration. For example, there was the dream of a united Europe, capable of acknowledging its shared roots and rejoicing in its rich diversity. We think of “the firm conviction of the founders of the European Union, who envisioned a future based on the capacity to work together in bridging divisions and in fostering peace and fellowship between all the peoples of this continent”. There was also a growing desire for integration in Latin America, and several steps were taken in this direction. In some countries and regions, attempts at reconciliation and rapprochement proved fruitful, while others showed great promise.

11. Our own days, however, seem to be showing signs of a certain regression. Ancient conflicts thought long buried are breaking out anew, while instances of a myopic, extremist, resentful and aggressive nationalism are on the rise. In some countries, a concept of popular and national unity influenced by various ideologies is creating new forms of selfishness and a loss of the social sense under the guise of defending national interests. Once more we are being reminded that “each new generation must take up the struggles and attainments of past generations, while setting its sights even higher. This is the path. Goodness, together with love, justice and solidarity are not achieved once and for all; they have to be realised each day. It is not possible to settle for what was achieved in the past and complacently enjoy it, as if we could somehow disregard the fact that many of our brothers and sisters still endure the cry out for our attention”.

13. “Opening up to the world” is an expression that has been co-opted by the economic and financial sector and is now used exclusively of openness to foreign interests or to the freedom of economic powers to invest without obstacles or complications in all countries. Local conflicts and disregard for the common good are exploited by the global economy in order to impose a single cultural model. This culture unifies the world, but divides persons and nations for “as society becomes ever more globalized, it makes us neighbours, but does not make us brothers”. We are more alone than ever in an increasingly massified world that promotes individual interests and weakens the communitarian dimension of life. Indeed, there are markets where individuals become mere consumers or bystanders. As a rule, the advance of this kind of globalism strengthens the identity of the more powerful, who can protect themselves, but it tends to diminish the identity of the weaker and poor regions, making them more vulnerable and dependent. In this way, political life becomes increasingly fragile in the face of transnational economic powers that operate with the principle of “divide and conquer”. *Fratelli Tutti*