



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FIRST READING: *Wisdom 6:12-16*

This is a reading from the book of Wisdom.

Wisdom is wonderful and everlasting.
Anyone who wants to have wisdom
will find her if they love her and look for her.
Wisdom is always ready to help anyone who wants her.
People who have wisdom know what is good and right.
They are free from worry.
Wisdom will lead their thoughts to what is good,
and she will guide them in all that they do.

The Word of the Lord.

RESPONSE: *Psalm 63*

I long for you; I long for you; I long for you, my God.

Verses:

1. O God, you are my God.
I give you thanks and praise your name.
2. O God, you are my God.
You're all I need to guide my way.

(Repeat Response after each Verse.)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Always be ready, for you do not know when the Lord will come.
Alleluia, alleluia! When the Lord will come.

(After Gospel, repeat Acclamation.)



GOSPEL: *Matthew 25:1-13*

This is a reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

One day Jesus told his disciples this parable:

“This is what the reign of God is like.
One evening there was a wedding,
and ten bridesmaids came to wait for the bride and bridegroom.
Now five of these bridesmaids were very silly.
They brought their lamps
but didn’t bring enough oil to keep them burning.
The other five were very wise.
They brought enough oil to last all night long.

“The groom was late, and so all ten bridesmaids fell asleep.
But at midnight, someone shouted,

‘Wake up! The bridegroom is here! Come out to meet him!’

“The bridesmaids woke up and got their lamps ready.
The five foolish ones said to the others,

‘Give us some of your oil because our lamps are going out.’

“But the wise bridesmaids said,

‘We can’t give you any
because there won’t be enough for our lamps and yours, too.
But hurry, go into town and buy some.’

“While the foolish bridesmaids were gone, the bridegroom came,
and everyone went into the wedding feast.
When the five foolish bridesmaids came back,
they couldn’t get in because the door was already locked.

[“They called in, ‘Open the door for us!’

“But the bridegroom said, ‘No, I don’t know you!’ ”]

Then Jesus said,

“Always be ready, for you do not know when the Lord will come!”

The Gospel of the Lord.