

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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FIRST READING: *Daniel 12:1-3*

*This is a reading from the prophet Daniel.*

The time is coming when the great prince, Michael, will come.  
He will protect you.

At that time there will be much suffering. But you will be safe.  
Everyone whose name is written in the book of life will be safe.

Those who have already died will wake up.  
Some will live forever in happiness,  
but others will be punished.

The people who are wise,  
and who have helped bring about justice,  
will shine like beautiful stars forever.

*This is the Word of God.*

RESPONSE: *Psalm 27*

O God, nothing can take us from your love,  
nothing can take us from your love.

*Verses:*

1. God, my light and my salvation, you are my help.
2. You are always there to love me, you keep me safe.
3. And when evil is around me, I have no fear.

*(Repeat Response after each Verse.)*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Your Word is alive and it lives in our hearts,  
Alleluia to God for the Word in our hearts.



GOSPEL: *Mark 13:22-23, 26-32*

*This is a reading from the Gospel of Mark.*

**W**hen the time for the end of the world is near,  
many things will happen.  
People will come and do great things, even miracles.  
They will claim to be Christ or one of the great prophets.  
They will try to make you stop believing in God.  
I am telling you these things so you will be careful  
and be on your guard.

And when the end of the world is very near,  
people will see the Son of Man coming.  
He will come with great power and glory.  
He will send his angels all over the earth  
to gather his chosen people together.

[I will explain this by using the example of a fig tree.  
When the branches of the tree become soft and green,  
and leaves begin to grow on them,  
you know that summer is almost here.  
It's the same way with the things I have been telling you about.  
When you see the things that I told you would happen,  
you will know that the end of the world is almost here.]  
And I tell you the truth, everything will come to an end,  
even the earth and the sky.  
But my word will never end.  
What I say will last forever.  
No one knows exactly when all of this will happen.  
God is the only one who knows.

*This is the Good News of the Lord.*

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