From the Pastor's Desk

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 8th, 2026

Dear Parish Family,

Today's readings invite us to reflect on the importance of being spiritually prepared and remaining vigilant as we await the Lord's coming. In the Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the ten virgins, five wise and five foolish, who take their lamps to meet the bridegroom. While the wise virgins bring extra oil, the foolish ones are unprepared when the bridegroom arrives. Through this parable, Jesus reminds us that we must be ready to welcome Him, for we do not know the day or the hour when He will come.

The oil in our lamps represents the faith, love, prayer, and good works that sustain our Christian lives. We cannot wait until the last moment to nurture our relationship with God. Rather, we are called to strengthen our faith every day through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, the reading of God's Word, and acts of kindness and service toward others. Our Christian life is not simply about waiting for the Lord; it is about living each day in such a way that we are ready to recognize Him and welcome Him whenever He comes into our lives.

As members of the Saint Anthony Parish family, let us continue to support one another on this journey of faith. May our homes, our parish, and our school be places where the light of Christ shines brightly through our love, generosity, and commitment to one another. Let us also remember that every act of kindness, every moment spent in prayer, and every effort to serve our brothers and sisters helps keep our lamps burning brightly.

May the Lord find us ready and waiting when He comes. Let us keep our lamps burning with the oil of faith, hope, and love, so that we may joyfully hear His invitation and enter with Him into the eternal wedding feast of His Kingdom.

May God bless you and your families!

Fr. Rolando