



DAY	FEAST	READINGS	TIME
Mon 1	18th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter week II St Alphonsus Liguori	Jer 28, 1-17; Mt 14, 13-21.	5:30 PM
Tue 2	18th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter week II St Eusebius of Vercelli St Peter Julian Eymard	Jer 30, 1-2. 12-15. 18-22; Mt 14, 22-36 (or 5, 1-2. 10-14).	5:30 PM
Wed 3	18th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter week II	Jer 31, 1-7; Mt 15, 21-28.	5:30 PM
Thu 4	18th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter week II St John Vianney	Jer 31, 31-34; Mt 16, 13-23.	5:30 PM
Fri 5	18th Week of Ordinary Time Psalter week II Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major	Nah 2, 1. 3; 3. 1-3. 6-7; Mt 16, 24-28.	12:15 PM
Sat 6	TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	Dan 7, 9-10. 13-14 or 2 Pt 1, 16-19; Lk 9, 28-36.	5:30 PM
Sun 7	19th Sunday of Ordinary Time Psalter Week III	Wis 18, 6-9; Hebr 11, 1-2. 8-19 (or 102. 8-12) Lk 12, 32-48 (or 35-40)	8:00 AM 5:30 PM

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## 18TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

Reading I: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2, 21-23;  
 Responsorial Psalm: 89:3-4, 5-6. 12-13. 14 and 17.  
 Reading II: Colossians 3:1-5. 9-11.  
 Gospel: Luke 12:13-21.

Revised Roman Missal: 965 (Bahasa 1298)



### REFLECTION

The topic of wealth is of interest to everyone; to the rich who have a lot and who worry about not losing it, and to the poor who don't even have work but who dream of someday being rich. In our capitalistic society, money is the currency we buy everything with, and not just material things. Some try to use it to buy people, houses, health, success. And so money has become no longer just a means for getting by, but an idol that is honored.

1. Our society is built on consumerism. Having and possessing are presented as signs of self-advancement and personal fulfillment. How much do you have? Well that's what you're worth! Today God's Word invites us to reassess our relationship with wealth. Am I a slave of wellbeing, or do I consider the goods that I have as a gift that God has given me to administer in the service of my brothers and sisters? Christians don't look down on anything that comes from God's hand; they know how to determine the relative value that creatures have. Things are for men, and men are not for things. And both things and men are of God and for God.

2. Jesus teaches us that we should not put our trust in riches because they can jeopardize our happiness. The parable the Gospel tells us surely refers to a real occurrence in those days. A rich farmer has an extraordinary harvest and plans his life with these four words: "Relax, eat, drink, enjoy." But that night he died. Jesus uses this incident to instruct his disciples about the true role of wealth. Life is far more than a struggle to accumulate money, property, knowledge and pleasure. The ceaseless search for security on a human level only leads one to live in a state of agitation and existential anguish.

3. Jesus doesn't condemn riches in themselves, but the bad use people make of them. When they become ends in themselves, they enslave us. However, when they are used to serve one's neighbor, they help us reach God, as was the case of Zaccheus, Matthew, Joseph of Arimathea. At the end of our life, what will matter will not be the amount of money we have made, but the good works we have done.

Let us marvel at the wisdom and realism of Jesus who, while preaching salvation, multiplies the loaves and fishes to satisfy the hunger of his followers. When he proclaimed the beatitudes to the poor in spirit, he was not justifying misery but praising those who live detached from the things of this world. This must be our goal in life: to be detached from our ambitions and from the arrogance of power and avarice and to aspire to the only treasure that can fill us: eternal life. Amen.

### CONFESSIONS

Half-an-hour before Sunday Mass.

### LEGION OF MARY

English Sat 6:00pm  
 Bahasa Tue 6:00pm  
 Chinese Wed 7:30pm

### DEVOTIONS

Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help Sat 5:00pm  
 Holy Hour Fri 7:30pm

### PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Vocation Tree 1st Sun 10:30am Prayer

### PRAYER MEETINGS

Iban Mon 7:30pm  
 Bahasa Thu 7:30pm

### BIBLE STUDY/FAITH FORMATION

English Thu 7:30pm

### RCIA Classes

English Mon 7:30pm  
 Iban Mon 8:30pm  
 Bahasa Thu 6:00pm  
 Chinese Tue 10:00am

### Infant Baptism

Normally scheduled for the 1st Saturday of the month. Please register with the Parish Office.

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### Second Collection

The Second Collection today will be for the **Social Communication Fund**.

### Sunday School Classes (31st July)

Please note that there is no physical Sunday School or COM classes today. In case of any queries, please contact your class focal points.

### Fund Raising Dinner

In conjunction with Fr. Robert's 19th Sacerdotal Anniversary, a fund raising dinner is being organized for Saturday, 13th August. Proceeds from this fund raising will go toward the Tunggulian Cemetery Maintenance Fund. The fundraising dinner will be held in the Parish Hall. The dinner ticket is \$30 per person. If you have bought the ticket, please don't forget to scan the QR code on the ticket, to preorder your preferred meal set for that night.

### July HOPE Newsletter

The July HOPE Newsletter is now available online on the Vicariate Website. This issue features articles and photos on World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly and other parish activities during July.

### Infant Baptism (6th August)

The next infant baptism will be on Saturday, 6th August at 2:00 PM. Please register your child for the baptism with the parish office before 6th August or via online using the QR code here. You will need to submit photocopies of the following documents: Completed Registration form, The child's birth certificate, The parent's Church & Civil marriage certificate, and The Godparent's I/C and baptism certificate. The admin fee is \$50 per child.



### Liturgy Training (7th August)

A special walk through the Mass for all liturgical ministers will be conducted on Sunday, 7th August at 10:30 AM in the Church. We will go through some the instructions outlined in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal.

### Mass & Holy Hour Cancellation (8th—12th August)

Due to unavailability of priest, there will be no daily Mass here from Monday, 8th August to 12th August. The regular Holy Hour on Friday is also cancelled.

### RCIA Classes

Do you know anyone who is interested in becoming Catholic or do you want to revive your faith? If your spouse is not yet a Catholic or you know of friends or family members who are interested in becoming a Catholic please invite and accompany them to the RCIA class. The time of the classes are found at the back of this newsletter.

### Faith Formation (Every Thursday)

Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is he at the center of your life as he should be? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what he means for us as Catholics today. The classes is on every Thursday at 7:30 PM. We hope you can join us!

## Fr. Robert's 19th Sacerdotal Anniversary Dinner

13th August 2022  
SATURDAY  
7:30 PM - 10:00 PM  
COOL PARISH HALL SERIA

Tickets can be bought from any of PPC members, parish group leader or after Mass.

All proceeds will go to the Tunggulian Cemetery Maintenance Fund.

For cash donation, Please contact these focal point for further information:

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### Never Too Late at Pope St. John XXIII



It's never too late to respond to a call from God, and Never Too Late at Pope St. John XXIII Seminary is the podcast created for men considering a vocation to the priesthood, as well as those who support their journey of discernment. Pope Saint John XXIII Seminary is the national seminary that specializes in preparing men ages 30-65 to enter the priesthood. Join Monsignor Bill Fay on the 23rd of each month for Never Too Late at Pope St. John XXIII Seminary.

Check out this podcast at: <https://rcvbd.com/podcasts/>

# JESUS

THE WAY, THE TRUTH,  
AND THE LIFE

Presented by MARCELLINO D'AMBROSIO,  
JEFF CAVINS, and EDWARD SRI

Every Thursday  
at 7:30 PM  
(Started 21/7/2022)