

**November 15, 2009**

**Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Reading 1**

**Dn 12:1-3**

In those days, I Daniel,  
heard this word of the Lord:  
"At that time there shall arise  
Michael, the great prince,  
guardian of your people;  
it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress  
since nations began until that time.  
At that time your people shall escape,  
everyone who is found written in the book.  
"Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake;  
some shall live forever,  
others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.  
"But the wise shall shine brightly  
like the splendor of the firmament,  
and those who lead the many to justice  
shall be like the stars forever."

Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11**

**R. (1) You are my inheritance, O Lord!**

O LORD, my allotted portion and my cup,  
you it is who hold fast my lot.  
I set the LORD ever before me;  
with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed.

**R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!**

Therefore my heart is glad and my soul rejoices,  
my body, too, abides in confidence;  
because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld,  
nor will you suffer your faithful one to undergo corruption.

**R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!**

You will show me the path to life,  
fullness of joys in your presence,  
the delights at your right hand forever.

**R. You are my inheritance, O Lord!**

**Reading II**

**Heb 10:11-14, 18**

Brothers and sisters:  
Every priest stands daily at his ministry,  
offering frequently those same sacrifices  
that can never take away sins.  
But this one offered one sacrifice for sins,  
and took his seat forever at the right hand of God;  
now he waits until his enemies are made his footstool.  
For by one offering  
he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated.

Where there is forgiveness of these,  
there is no longer offering for sin.

**Gospel**

**Mk 13:24-32**

Jesus said to his disciples:  
"In those days after that tribulation  
the sun will be darkened,  
and the moon will not give its light,  
and the stars will be falling from the sky,  
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.  
"And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds'  
with great power and glory,  
and then he will send out the angels  
and gather his elect from the four winds,  
from the end of the earth to the end of the sky.  
"Learn a lesson from the fig tree.  
When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves,  
you know that summer is near.  
In the same way, when you see these things happening,  
know that he is near, at the gates.  
Amen, I say to you,  
this generation will not pass away  
until all these things have taken place.  
Heaven and earth will pass away,  
but my words will not pass away.  
"But of that day or hour, no one knows,  
neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

**New Testament: Sophomores: LW 2.3  
Due Monday, 11/16/09. Type your work  
and use complete sentences.**

1. Read the Gospel for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time B. This pericope is a toughie! Follow these steps carefully and answer each question honestly. Find Mk 13:24-32 in your CYB. By doing this you are placing the pericope in its original context. In other words, you are placing the pericope in its literary context. This is the context that Mark, the author, originally intended this pericope be proclaimed. Notice that the pericope for Sunday, 11/15/09 covers nearly three "scenes" or pericopes in its literary context, or in Mark's Gospel. What are the three "scenes" found in your CYB?
2. Stay in your CYB. In Mark 13:32-37, Mark informs the reader of the "Need for Watchfulness." What story, scene, or pericope comes right after the "Need for Watchfulness?" What does this scene/pericope you just found begin in Mark's Gospel?
3. So, it seems as though in its literary context, the pericope for Sunday, November 15, 2009, sets the reader up for the Passion in Mark's Gospel. What are the other pericopes/scenes in Mark's Gospel that compose Chapter 13? KEEP GOING, # 4 is on page 2.

4. You have already read Mark 13. What are your initial thoughts and feelings about Chapter 13 of Mark. Why?
5. Read the text box in your CYB that is associated with Mark 13. How is the reader suppose to understand Jesus' signs and omens of wars and earthquakes?
6. Stay with the textbox. What do the editors of the CYB say is the message of Mark 13?
7. Now, let's make a switch to LITURGICAL CONTEXT. We are ending the current Church year of Cycle B. Advent begins in 3 weeks. Thus a NEW year is beginning. We begin the year with a season of ANTICIPATION and HOPE of peace. We are no longer waiting for the Messiah to come – he already came. But we do anticipate the “second coming” of Christ. The readings for 11/15/09 were chosen now, because they fit the end of the year liturgical cycle! Advent is the beginning of a new age, a new beginning, a fresh start. So, what do YOU think and feel about the Gospel pericope for 11/15/09 in its LITURGICAL context? Why? (How do you understand the pericope? How does the pericope cause you to feel? Why? Does the Gospel pericope for 11/15/09 cause you to be afraid, or does it give you hope? Why?)

**Old Testament: LW 2.2: Due Monday, 11/16/09. Type your work and use complete sentences.**

1. What is the title given to Sunday, November 15, 2009?
2. From what book of the bible is the First Reading for 11/15/2009?
3. What form of literature is the First Reading for 11/15/09?
4. Find Dn 12:1-3 in your CYB. Who is Michael? (World of the Text) What will happen to the wise?
5. Read the text box in your CYB that is associated with Dn 12:1-3. To what is Dn 12:1-3 referring? What is the description of “personal resurrection?”
6. Does Dn 12:1-3 frighten you? Or, does Dn 12:1-3 fill you with hope? Why?
7. Read through the Responsorial Psalm for 11/15/09. Notice the refrain: “R. (1) **You are my inheritance, O Lord!**” What does the “(1)” and the “R.” represent in the refrain of the Responsorial Psalm?
8. Locate Psalm 16 in your CYB. Perform a structural analysis for the verses of the Responsorial Psalm for November 15, 2009. BE SURE TO EXPLAIN YOUR DECISION. BE SPECIFIC. USE YOUR CYB AND ITS FOOTNOTES TO HELP YOU.