

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions.

Luke 12:15

July 31, 2022

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Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 PM
Sunday - 8:00, 10:00 AM* and 12:00 Noon
Monday-Saturday 8:30 AM
Holy days - See Bulletin
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Reconciliation

Saturday - 1:00 PM or by appointment. A Catholic is obliged to confess **mortal sins** in kind and number to a priest **before** receiving the Holy Eucharist.

Baptism - Please call to arrange for your child's baptism soon after birth.

RCIA

Adults desiring to be baptized, confirmed or become a Catholic, please contact the Parish Office

Anointing of the Sick

Please call for a priest to schedule this Sacrament of Healing and Anointing for someone who is seriously ill or in danger of death. Do **not** wait until the sick person is unconscious.

Matrimony

All Catholics should seek to have their marriage blessed by the Church so as to live in God's good grace and receive the Holy Eucharist. Contact a priest a year prior to the intended date of marriage to ensure proper preparation.

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✚ Mass Intentions

July 31, 2022 to August 7, 2022

Sunday - EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7/31 8:00 am People of the Parish
 10:00 am Living and Deceased Members of the OLQP Knights of Columbus
 12 noon Daisy Monti

Monday - Saint Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church *Memorial*

8/1 8:30 am Simeon Trinidad

Tuesday - Weekday [*Saint Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; Saint Peter Julian Eymard, Priest*]

8/2 8:30 am Gregoria and Rosario Ciriaco

Wednesday - Weekday

8/3 8:30 am Angel Junior Montilla
 7:00 pm Marlon Fernan

Thursday - Saint John Vianney, Priest *Memorial*

8/4 8:30 am Eusebio Ciriaco

Friday - Weekday [*The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major*]

8/5 8:30 am Doris Neumann

Saturday - The Transfiguration of the Lord *Feast*

8/6 8:30 am Eusebio Ciriaco
 5:00 pm Peter Joseph O'Hare

Sunday - NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8/7 8:00 am Antoinette and Mike Iacono
 10:00 am People of the Parish
 12 noon Thomas Ryall



Please keep in your prayers all of our active military personnel here and overseas. We especially pray for Joshua Ashley, Ryan O'Connell, and John Velazquez.

May the Lord protect them in their service.

July 31, 2022 - Today's Readings

First Reading — Do not spend your life toiling for material gain (Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23).

Psalms — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Christ has raised you to new life, so seek now what is above (Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11).

Gospel — Be on guard against all greed, for your life does not consist of earthly possessions, but of the riches of the reign of God (Luke 12:13-21).

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Please Remember in Your Prayers

Rest in Peace

Helen Murray

Sick Relatives and Friends

Mary Adamo	Baby Christopher	Vallie Pompilio
Cristina Aguilar	Sean Hill	Mary Pontillo
Pauline Albarano	Gardenia Hougbo	Francis Quinn
Augie Aversa	Andrew Hunkele	Robert Raimo
Josefina Baldoza	Dominic Jengo	Susan Rheem
Mary Ellen Barberia	Nancy Jengo	Anthony Ruffino
Matilde Beninca	Pamela Jengo	Melissa Finck-Ruisch
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Cardinal Burke	Rosemarie Kaminski	Fran Sampson
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Carmen Maria Colon	Alice Liso	Pat Sommers
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Javier Cruz	Deacon Joseph	Carolyn Sobering
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Mark Diverio	Deanna Mooney	Andrew Wey
Stephen Diverio	Jim Moran	Julia Whitney
Emily Ferreira	Barbara Nelson	Joyce Wilson
Mary Flanigan	Gemma Olliges	David Zerby
Yancey Garcia	Sharon Osnowitz	*Names in bold
Fr. Mickey German	Nicholas Pappas	are new to the list
Megan Harwood	Harriet Pellicione	

Daily Prayer for Pope Francis and Our Clergy



Almighty and everlasting God, have mercy upon Thy servant, Francis, our Supreme Pontiff, and direct him, according to Thy loving-kindness, in the ways of eternal salvation; that, of Thy gift, he may ever desire that which is pleasing unto Thee and may accomplish it with all his might. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Jesus, Savior of the world, sanctify Thy priests and sacred ministers. Amen.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102; Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Jer 31:1-7; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: Jer 31:31-34; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Dt 32:35cd-36ab, 39abcd, 41; Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Hb 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]; Lk 12:32-48 [35-40]

The Center of A Meaningful Life



Today's readings invite us to reflect upon some of life's deepest questions, and to explore the meaning of faith. We hear of the universal human search for meaning in our lives in the book of

Ecclesiastes. In Luke's Gospel, we hear Jesus' parable about one who foolishly seeks ultimate security through the accumulation of wealth. In Colossians, faith in the crucified and resurrected Christ is proclaimed as the path to a richly purposeful and meaningful life. The path of Christian faith places our work, our sufferings, and our limitations within the larger picture of God's purposes for all of us. In Jesus, God is revealed as our companion in human suffering and limitation. God's love is at the center of a meaningful life. We place our trust in this loving God, who created us to share in this love, and to share this love with others.

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Save the Date! - August 15, 2022

A Parish Celebration of the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Join us for Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Holy Rosary, Benediction, and Mass followed by a procession and barbeque. A sign up sheet for the Holy Rosary will be in the church July 30 and 31.

- 1:30 p.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 2:00 p.m. Joyful Mysteries
- 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy
- 4:00 p.m. Luminous Mysteries
- 5:00 p.m. Sorrowful Mysteries
- 6:00 p.m. Benediction
- 7:00 p.m. Mass followed by Procession/Glorious Mysteries/BBQ

The 2023 Mass Book is Open



The Church teaches us that our prayers are invaluable to the living as well as those who have died. We commend them to God's mercy when we pray for them. The living and the dead are helped not only by our daily prayers, but by the offering of Masses in their name for the benefit of their souls. Please visit the Parish Center to select your preferred dates.

Human Concerns News

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

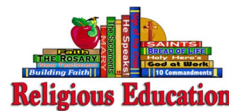
Consideration is being given to restart the Food Pantry group. If there is interest from either former volunteers, or any parishioners who would like to be involved, we can restart it.



This group is part of the Human Concerns Ministry and a schedule of volunteers will be made to deliver the food donations that accumulate in the back of Church. The donations go to the Helping Hands Food Pantry located at Sacred Heart Church in Rochelle Park. Volunteers must be available to deliver on Saturday evenings or Sundays until 1pm when The Food Pantry accepts the donations.

If interested or want more information please leave your name and phone number at the Parish Center office.

Religious Education - Please Register Today



Religious Education Registration is Open!

Scan the QR code above to register or visit our website at:
<https://www.olqp.org/registration-form.html>

Classes begin: Sunday, September 11, 2022
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The Registration Deadline has passed. Please register today. Questions: Contact Justine Garcia at (201) 845-9566 or ReED@olqp.org



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Prayer of St. Thomas Aquinas

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, behold I come to the Sacrament of Thine only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ: I come as one infirm to the physician of life, as one unclean to the fountain of mercy, as one blind to the light of everlasting brightness, as one poor and needy to the Lord of heaven and earth. Therefore I implore the abundance of Thy measureless bounty that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to heal my infirmity, wash my uncleanness, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty and clothe my nakedness, that I may receive the Bread of Angels, the King of kings, the Lord of lords, with such reverence and humility, with such sorrow and devotion, with such purity and faith, with such purpose and intention as may be profitable to my soul's salvation.



Grant unto me, I pray, the grace of receiving not only the Sacrament of our Lord's Body and Blood, but also the grace and power of the Sacrament. O most gracious God, grant me so to receive the Body of Thine only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, which He took from the Virgin Mary, as to merit to be incorporated into His mystical Body, and to be numbered amongst His members. O most loving Father, give me grace to behold forever Thy beloved Son with His face at last unveiled, whom I now purpose to receive under the sacramental veil here below. Amen.

The Memorare



Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena

Wednesdays at 7 pm in the Church



Act of Contrition



O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins, because I dread the loss of heaven, and the pains of hell; but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen.

Prayer to St. Joseph



TO thee, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of thy most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke thy patronage also. Through that charity which bound thee to the immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which thou embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg thee to graciously regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with thy power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful Guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be propitious to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness; and, as once thou rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by thy constant protection, so that, supported by thy example and thy aid, we may be able to live piously, to die holy, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who invoke St. Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, with a duly approved prayer (e.g., Ad te, beate Ioseph).

Why should I register in the parish?

All members of the parish should be formally registered as members of the parish. You must be formally registered if you wish to arrange a Baptism, a Confirmation, or a Wedding in the parish Church or wish to register in the Parish School or the Religious Education (CCD) Program. You must also be a registered member of the parish for at least three months before you can obtain a Sponsor Certificate or schedule a Baptism or a Wedding. **Please call the Parish Center at 201-845-9566 to register or visit our home page at www.olqp.org, scroll down to the middle of the page and click where it states "Parish Registration" to download the form.**

Thank you and welcome to Our Lady Queen of Peace!

Luz Y Vida (Light and Life)



The Luz y Vida prayer group invites the Hispanic community to hear the word of God and receive His blessings every Thursday at 7 pm in the Auditorium. If you have a questions, please call Susana - (201) 403-6319.

Él Grupo de Oración Luz y Vida . Invita a la comunidad Hispana a escuchar la Palabra de Dios y recibir sus bendiciones cada Jueves a partir de las 7pm en el Auditorio de la iglesia. Él Señor les espera con los brazos abiertos. Preguntas, (201) 403-6319.

The Sermons of St. Alphonsus Liguori

“SERMON XXXV... -

ON THE VANITY OF THE WORLD.

“And have nothing to eat.” MARK viii. 2.

1. SUCH were the attractions of our Divine Saviour, and such the sweetness with which he received all, that he drew after him thousands of the people. He one day saw himself surrounded by a great multitude of men, who followed him and remained with him three days, without eating anything. Touched with pity for them, Jesus Christ said to his disciples: **“I have compassion on the multitude; for behold they have now been with me three days, and have nothing to eat.”** (Mark viii. 2.) He, on this occasion, wrought the miracle of the multiplication of the seven loaves and a few fishes, so as to satisfy the whole multitude. This is the literal sense; but the mystic sense is, that in this world there is no food which can fill the desire of our souls. All the goods of this earth riches, honours, and pleasures delight the sense of the body, but cannot satiate the soul, which has been created **“for God, and which God alone can content.”** I will, therefore speak today on the vanity of the world, and will show how great is the illusion of the lovers of the world, who lead an unhappy life on this earth, and expose themselves to the imminent danger of a still more unhappy life in eternity.

2. **“O ye sons of men,”** exclaims the Royal Prophet, against worldlings, **“how long will you be dull at heart? Why do you love vanity and seek after lying?”** (Ps. iv. 3.) O men, fools, how long will you fix the affections of your hearts on this earth? Why do you love the goods of this world, which are all vanity and lies? Do you imagine that you shall find peace by the acquisition of these goods? But how can you expect to find peace, while you walk in the ways of affliction, and misery? Behold how David describes the condition of worldlings. **“Destruction and unhappiness in their ways; and the way of peace they have not known.”** (Ps. xiii. 3.) You hope to obtain peace from the world; but how can the world give you that peace which you seek, when St. John says, **“that the whole world is seated in wickedness?”** (1 John v. 19.) The world is full of iniquities; hence worldlings live under the despotism of the wicked one that is, the Devil. The Lord has declared that there is no peace for the wicked who live without his grace. **“There is no peace to the wicked.”** (Isa. xlvi. 22.)

3. The goods of the world are but apparent goods, which cannot satisfy the heart of man. **“You have eaten,”** says the Prophet Aggeus, **“and have not had enough.”** (Ag. i. 6) Instead of satisfying our hunger they increase it. **“These,”** says St. Bernard, **“provoke rather than extinguish hunger.”** If the goods of this world made men content, the rich and powerful should enjoy complete happiness; but experience shows the contrary. We see every day that they are the most unhappy of men; they appear always oppressed by fears, by jealousies and sadness. Listen to King Solomon, who abounded in these

goods: **“And behold all is vanity and vexation of spirit.”** (Eccl. i. 14.) He tells us, that all things in this world are vanity, lies, and illusion. They are not only vanity, but also affliction of spirit. They torture the poor soul, which finds in them a continual source, not of happiness, but of affliction and bitterness. This is a just punishment on those who instead of serving their God with joy, wish to serve their enemy the world which makes them endure the want of every good. **“Because thou didst not serve the Lord thy God with joy and gladness of heart thou shalt serve thy enemy in hunger, and thirst, and nakedness, and in want of all things.”** (Deut. xxviii. 47, 48.) Man expects to content his heart with the goods of this earth; but, howsoever abundantly he may possess them, he is never satisfied. Hence, he always seeks after more of them, and is always unhappy. Oh! happy he who wishes for nothing but God; for God will satisfy all the desires of his heart. **“Delight in the Lord, and he will give thee the requests of thy heart.”** (Ps. xxxvi. 4.) Hence St. Augustine asks: **“What, miserable man, dost thou seek in seeking after goods? Seek one good, in which are all goods.”** And, having dearly learned that the goods of this world do not content, but rather afflict the heart of man, the saint, turning to the Lord, said: **“All things are hard, and thou alone repose.”** Hence in saying, **“My God and my all,”** the seraphic St. Francis, though divested of all worldly goods, enjoyed greater riches and happiness than the worldlings on this earth. Yes; for the peace which fills the soul that desires nothing but God, surpasses all the delights which creatures can give. They can only delight the senses, but cannot content the heart of man. **“The peace of God which surpasseth all understanding.”** (Phil. iv. 7.) According to St. Thomas, **“the difference between God, the sovereign good, and the goods of the earth, consists in this, that the more perfectly we possess God, the more ardently we love him, because the more perfectly we possess him, the better we comprehend his infinite greatness, and therefore the more we despise other things; but, when we possess temporal goods, we despise them, because we see their emptiness, and desire other things, which may make us content.”** **“Summum bonum quanto perfectius possidetur, tanto magis amatur, et alia contemnuntur. Sed in appetitu temporalium bonorum, quando habentur, contemnuntur, et alia appetuntur.”** (S. Thom, i. 2, qu. 2, art. 1, ad. 3.)

4. The Prophet Osee tells us that the world holds in its hand a deceitful balance. **“He is like Chanaan” (that is the world); “there is a deceitful balance in his hand.”** (Osee xii. 7.) We must, then, weigh things in the balance of God, and not in that of the world, which makes them appear different from what they are. What are the goods of this life? **“My days,”** said Job, **“have been swifter than a post: they have passed by as ships carrying fruits.”** (Job ix. 25, 26.) The ships signify the lives of men, which soon pass away, and run speedily to death; and if men have laboured only to provide themselves with earthly goods, these fruits decay at the hour of death: we can bring none of them with us to...” (excerpts from the “Sermons of St. Alphonsus Liguori”)

Stewardship Corner

Three Ways to Walk Jesus' Path:

The magnificence of Heaven is simply beyond our comprehension. Our limited minds cannot imagine how amazing it is. Jesus came to tell us about it and show us how to get there. He hoped we would follow in his footsteps and do what he did - **Serve others with love.** Jesus asked us to love one another as he did. Some of the ways he showed love were to treat strangers kindly, tend to the material needs of the needy, lend an attentive ear, help people make good and virtuous decisions that bring them closer to God.

Try to show love in these ways daily.

(To be continued next week) Rudy Schwarz

Stewardship Results

	7/24/22	Weekly Goal
Sunday Offertory	5,270	5,000
Repairs	800	1,500
Total	\$6,070	\$6,500

Thank you for your contributions last Sunday which allowed us to meet our Offertory goal. May God reward you for your generosity!



Treasures from Our Tradition



When Pope Pius XII died in 1958, there was the usual buzz of speculation about likely successors. Cardinal Agagianian, Patriarch of the Armenians, was highly thought of as a likely choice. This took many Catholics by surprise, since he had

never celebrated the same liturgy as Pope Pius, but followed ancient Armenian customs according to the Eastern Church, which veils the Eucharistic liturgy from sight by a series of curtains, and in which the priest kneels while the people stand for Communion.

In the years that followed, the Second Vatican Council would affirm the dignity and independence of the Eastern Churches, in complete union with Rome, yet different in patterns of life and worship. We have the same faith, the same sacraments, and the same pope. Yet everywhere in the world our separate Churches are combined into families held together by the ministry of bishops. All of this serves as warning: If you ever say, "But we've always done it this way," you are on very thin ice indeed!

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Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Alphonsus Liguori
Tuesday: St. Eusebius of Vercelli; St. Peter Julian Eymard
Thursday: St. John Vianney
Friday: Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major; First Friday
Saturday: The Transfiguration of the Lord; First Saturday

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Draw near to your servants, O Lord, and answer their prayers with unceasing kindness, that, for those who glory in you as their Creator and guide, you may restore what you have created and keep safe what you have restored. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

How has the Lord answered my prayers?

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NOTHING BETTER

Nothing . . . is sweeter than love; nothing higher, nothing stronger, nothing larger, nothing fuller, nothing better, in heaven or on earth.

—Thomas à Kempis

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Parish Calendar

Key: AU - Auditorium, CH - Church, PC - Parish Center

8/1 7:00 pm - The Holy Rosary (at the Rosary Garden)
 8/3 7:00 pm - Our Mother of Perpetual Help Novena
 8/4 7:00 pm - Luz Y Vida (AU)
 8/6 1:00 pm - Confessions (CH)



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for though one may be rich,
one's life does not
consist of possessions.

Luke 12:15

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NOTHING EARTHLY LASTS FOREVER

“Teach us to number our days aright.” Is there a more wise and prudent prayer for people of all ages than this verse from today’s responsorial psalm? As we savor the lovely but limited days of summer we are reminded that nothing lasts forever. In today’s first reading, the master teacher (Qoheleth) asserts “All things are vanity!” while the Gospel of Luke describes the ease with which our possessions can possess us. The second reading makes the point as well: “Think of what is above, not of what is on earth.” We see the problem of wealth from both sides today—from the viewpoint of the wealthy person who inevitably has to leave his riches to someone else and from the perspective of the potential inheritor who is at odds with his brother over how to divide their inheritance. The problem is clear; the wisdom is also.

YOU CAN’T TAKE IT WITH YOU

Stephen Covey, in his book *The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People*, lists as his second habit: Begin with the end in mind. Is that not the point of our scripture reflections today? We know we will die. We know we “can’t take it with us.” If you’ve ever been tasked with cleaning out the home of a deceased person, you know how easily once-treasured items simply become another burden to deal with. Or you may have experienced how quickly the joy of owning the latest smart phone becomes as outdated as the model itself. So how do we think about all the stuff that we buy, accumulate, fret over where to store, and pay taxes on? Heaven forbid if we ever have to move!

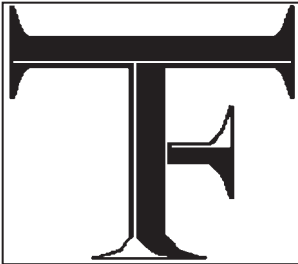
RICH IN WHAT MATTERS TO GOD

Luke sets us on the right path when he affirms that we must be “rich in what matters to God.” Needless to say, he is not saying that possessions themselves are evil. Today’s psalm asks God—twice—to “prosper the work of our hands for us!” The danger is that, as one wag put it, “we never have enough of what we don’t really need.” What does matter to God? What is the opposite of vanity? Kindness to one another, mercy, forgiveness, generosity to the poor and needy—all of these remain beyond death. These are what we can take with us when we die. The great mystery in all this is that God is never outdone in generosity; the more we give away, the more we have.

July 31 is also the feast day of Ignatius of Loyola, founder of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits). He epitomizes richness in what really matters. His military and court aspirations evaporated after he was seriously wounded in battle. His subsequent change of heart led him to found one of the most influential religious orders in the history of the Church. If the opposite of vanity is wealth that remains after death, Ignatius is most appropriately honored today.

TODAY’S READINGS

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21–23
Psalm 90:3–4, 5–6, 12–13, 14 and 17
Colossians 3:1–5, 9–11
Luke 12:13–21



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