

### 33<sup>rd</sup> Week in Ordinary Time

Readings for the weekend

<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings/111719.cfm>

Malachi 3:19-20a

Psalm 98:5-6, 7-8, 9

2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Luke 21:5-19

Our readings the past few weeks have had a serious message. We are nearing the end of the Church year and each year at this time the readings point us to what is still to come. This weekend our readings remind us to look hard at ourselves, our actions, our words, and our way of being.

Judgement is a major theme we encounter the readings this weekend. We are reminded that we will all face a final judgement at the hour of our death. Judgement is something that calls us to ponder the how of our living. Sometimes I think we all need to be reminded that actions have consequences, and that we are all called to acknowledge the good and the not so good in the actions and attitudes of our living.

This week I invite us all to practice the Examen, to take time at some time during the day, perhaps at bedtime, and review the day. How have we lived? What have we said, thought or done? Where was God in the day? For what can we give thanks? For what do we need to make amends?

This is indeed a prayer of judgement...a prayer of correction....a prayer of love.

Our parish website contains a wide variety of examinations of conscience for all ages. I invite you to visit the page, select a prayer, and let it be your guide...perhaps choose a different prayer each day.

Here is the link: [https://d751c4e3-dfdf-4174-8e71-f789c1705717.filesusr.com/ugd/24dffa\\_e0f0e5e145cd49df9bb2c9d0282c069f.pdf](https://d751c4e3-dfdf-4174-8e71-f789c1705717.filesusr.com/ugd/24dffa_e0f0e5e145cd49df9bb2c9d0282c069f.pdf)

Blessings!

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