

# *Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish-Shrine*

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, November 13th, 2016



The Italian National Parish of the Archdiocese of Chicago  
Served by The Missionaries of Saint Charles – Scalabrinians

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- Daniel Michel

## *Office Hours*

### *Sunday*

-8:00am—3:00pm

### *Tuesday- Friday*

-8:30am—8:30pm

### *Saturday*

-8:30am — 1:00pm

-2:00pm—5:30pm

### *Monday*

- We're Closed

## *Sunday Mass Schedule*

5:30pm - Sat. Vigil Mass

7:45am - English

9:00am - Español

10:30am - Italiano

12:00pm - English

1:30pm - Español

5:00pm - Español

## *Weekly Mass Schedule*

### *English*

-Monday - Saturday at 7:45am

### *Español*

-Martes y Jueves a las 6:30pm

### *Italiano*

-Sotto richiesta



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Parish-Shrine

We're not responsible for information  
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Who are the Priests serving at Mount Carmel?

### MISSIONARIES OF ST. CHARLES - Scalabrinians

The Congregation of the Missionaries of St. Charles – Scalabrinians – is an International community of religious serving migrants and refugees of different cultures, religions and ethnicities in 32 countries and on five continents.

The Congregation was founded on November 28, 1887, by Blessed John Baptist Scalabrini (1839-1905), bishop of Piacenza (Italy). It was the period of massive emigration from Italy and Europe toward the Americas. It was a far-reaching phenomenon whose importance Bishop Scalabrini was able to grasp in both its social and religious dimensions.

Our missionary focus has been to be migrants with the migrants and to be in mission with people on the move along with a special priority for the poorest migrants. What has become very obvious is that as we have taken more missionary risks and made an effort to clarify our Charism we have been blessed with more and more vocations.



Bishop Scalabrini

Father of the Migrants

***Church Services***

We encourage all to register at the Parish-Shrine.

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*Les invitamos a registrarse en el Santuario Parroquial.*

*Support Staff*

Business Manager  
Alexander Sanchez 708.345.3632

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***Sacramental Life***

Confessions *Confesiones*

Saturdays—*Sábados*  
4:00pm—5:30pm or by appointment/ *o con cita*.

Baptisms *Bautizos*  
Come to the parish office. *Pase a la oficina parroquial.*

Weddings *Bodas*  
Contact the priest at least six months in advance.  
*Contactar al sacerdote seis meses antes de la ceremonia*

Quinceañera

*Contactar a la secretaria cuatro meses antes de la ceremonia.*

*Presentaciones*

*Contactar la Secretaría al menos dos semanas antes*

***Religious Services***

Recitation of the Holy Rosary  
Mon—Sat at 7:00am

Adoration *Adoración al Stmo. Sacramento*  
Wednesdays 6:00pm—8:00pm

Novena & Benediction  
Wednesday/Miércoles 7:30pm

Grupo de Oración Carismática  
Martes a las 7:00pm

Grupo de Estudio Bíblico  
Miércoles a las 7:00pm

***Other Services***

Gift Shop Hours *Venta de Artículos Religiosos*  
During the regular office hours.  
*Durante las horas de oficina*

Community Center *Centro Comunitario*  
Social outreach *Servicios a la comunidad* (708) 345 - 3632

Food Pantry *Despensa de comida*  
Wednesdays 4:00pm—6:00pm

Religious Education—*Catecismo*

Saturday - *Sábados* 3:30pm — 6:30pm  
Sunday - *Domingos* 10:00am—1:00pm

- Mass Included—*Incluye la Misa*

**For the Month of NOVEMBER**

**Sun/ Dom 13**      **Holiday Bazar**  
8:30pm - 4:00pm

**Thur/ Jue 24**      **Thanksgiving Mass**  
9:00am Bilingual Mass

**Mon/ Lun 28**      **Misa Por la Paz**  
7:30pm

**Sat/ Sab 3 de Diciembre**      **Novena de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe**  
7:00pm

**Monday/Lunes**  
5:30 Clases de Guitarra

**Thursday/Jueves**  
6:30 Ballet Folklorico

**Tuesdays / Martes**  
6:30 Ballet Folklorico  
7:00 Grupo de Oracion  
7:00 Eng. Choir Practice

**Friday/Viernes**  
7:30 Practica de Coros  
7:00 Matrimonios con Propósito  
7:00 Jornadas Matrimoniales  
7:30 Boys/Girls Scouts  
7:00 JPC Jovenes para Cristo

**Wednesday/ Miércoles**  
6:30 Ballet Folklorico  
7:00 Grupo de Biblia

***Wedding Banns***

- ♥ Andres Sanchez & Janelle Moreno...3
- ♥ Ubaldo Ramos & Isabel Reyes...3
- ♥ Alexander Lopez & Alma Velazquez...1

***Weekly Offering***

**November 6 – 7, 2016**

Regular Sunday Collection: \$6,126.00

Children Collection: \$446.00

### From the Pastor's Desk



**Next week the state of the Parish** will be presented. I like to offer the community with this data in the hope that all members of the Faith Community be well informed in regards to the liturgical-pastoral-financial state of the church. This practice (which I have carried out faithfully since the first year of my tenure) conveys the purpose of making everyone in the community aware of how we are doing in the major areas of our service. Being well informed will forfeit the opportunity for gossips and rumor-spreading persons to misguide others in the understanding of where we are, and which is the soil we are standing on as a Faith Family.

Special attention should be placed on the numbers presented in the *Status Animarum* for they reflect the number of Baptisms, Confirmations, First Holy Communions, Funerals, Quinceañeras, people attending Sunday Masses, etc., for the year. These numbers show the Liturgical activity at OLMC. The different groups and the varied programs happening in our community are also worth considering for they reflect the Pastoral outreach we focus on all throughout the year. A special mention should be given to the Community Center and the wonderful help offered to our community (over 11,000 services last fiscal year). This unique model make our Parish-Shrine a true beacon of ministry and service in the western suburbs. Finally, the economic state gives us a clear idea of our financial grounds. Although we can consider ourselves a blessed community when it comes to monetary means, I still believe a stronger sense of belonging expressed in our Sunday donations must be promoted to all our members. An erroneous sense of wellbeing can lead us to experience financial difficulties in the mid-term future.

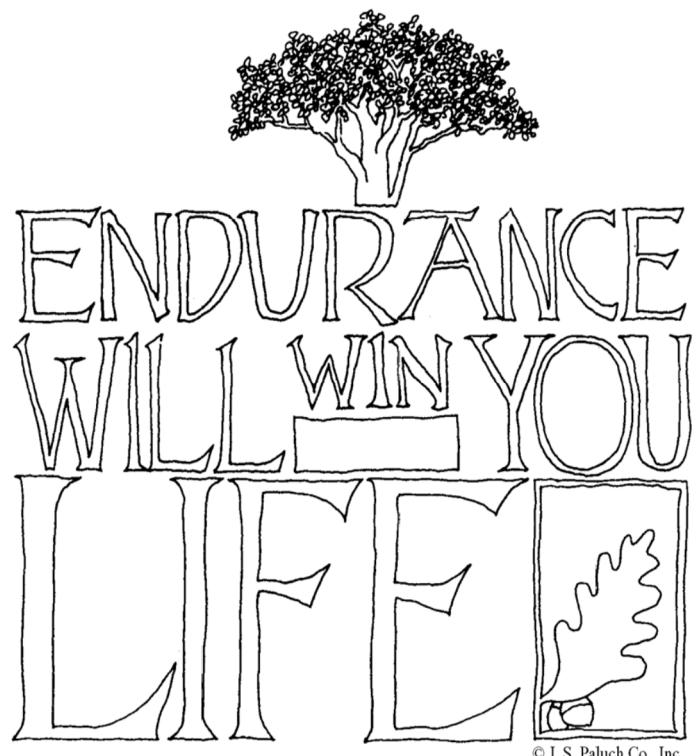
In a slight move from other years, instead of presenting the itemized report during our Sunday Masses, this year we will focus on a presentation that emphasizes the many different improvements that have happened in our premises since I became Pastor, almost five years ago. The entire bulletin will be dedicated to explain in detail where we are in the different areas of ministry. I hope everyone takes the time to go through it and have a clear understanding of our reality as a Parish-Shrine. I thank everyone for being part of this wonderful community and to all those who work so hard to make out of OLMC the incredible place that it is: my Gratitude. To all those whose participation is not as active as it can be, my invitation to become enthusiastic promoters and committed builders of the Kingdom of God here in our place.

*Adsum,*

#### GOD'S HEALING JUSTICE

An old expression holds that the sun-warmed stone heals. Perhaps. But Malachi explains that only dark, sunless days are in store for those who do not find a place for God in their lives. Conversely, he tells us that the warmth and light of God's healing justice await those who fear the Lord. That's a pretty comforting notion—especially now in the already short and growing even shorter days of November. It's the sun-warmed stone, and then some.

Paul speaks to us of justice as well, but points out that it is not a passive thing. To be treated justly, we need to do our fair share. If we are diligent and persevere we will be rewarded with and by the fruits of our labor. Lastly, Luke, too, tells us to persevere—in faith, this time—and our lives will be secure in God regardless of how we are treated by our enemies.



### Attention registered parishioners

We are updating our records. If have made any changes recently in your name, address or phone number. Please contact the parish office. We appreciated.

*Not a hair on your head will be destroyed*



### 2nd Annual Holiday Bazaar

Sunday, November 13, 2016

8:30am-4:00pm

OLMC Gym 22<sup>nd</sup> & Cortez  
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Join us before or after mass for a treat or snack in the Bazaar Cafe, shop for religious items, purchase a homemade Bake Sale item and visit our white elephant table and Crafters to get ready for this Holiday Season.

### **Admission is Free**

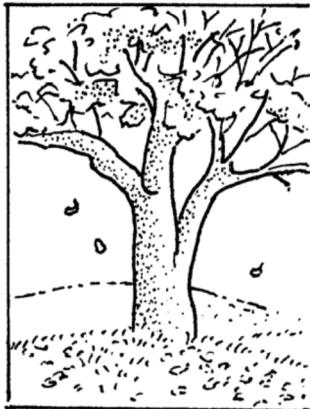
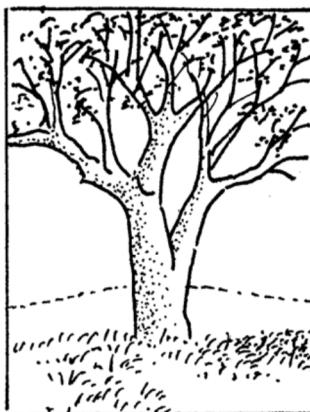
There will be a raffle drawing, however, winner need not be present at 3:00pm for drawing.

**Come one, Come All!**  
Looking forward to seeing you there!

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

With Thanksgiving approaching, we think of the quest of the Puritans who arrived on the *Mayflower* from their first exile in Leyden, Holland. Like the Catholics of England, they were religious dissenters who suffered penalties for not participating in the worship life of the established church. The Catholics established monasteries, schools, and convents on the continent to assure the vigor of their faith's intellectual and spiritual life. The Puritans fled to the tolerant Netherlands with similar hopes of preserving their way of life, but were unable to adapt to Dutch ways.

There were Catholics who made a similar colonial journey. The hero of the story is George Calvert, Lord Baltimore, the former Secretary of State of Britain and a Catholic. He proposed that King Charles I establish a proprietary colony that he would own and rule, named Maryland in honor of the Catholic Queen Henrietta Maria. George Calvert died unexpectedly in the midst of this project, but his son Cecil faithfully carried out his father's wishes. Maryland became a symbol of freedom for wealthy recusant English families, as well as for the poor who held to the Catholic faith despite great hardship. From the start, the colony was open to Protestants and Catholics equally, and the seeds of the religious freedom so dear to the American spirit were sown with the first colonists in 1634.



## Mensaje del Párroco



**Próxima semana vamos a presentar el estado de la Parroquia.** Cada año se presenta a la comunidad en la esperanza de mantener a cada uno de los parroquianos informados acerca de nuestra realidad litúrgica, sacramental, pastoral y financiera. Desde mi llegada a esta comunidad de fe, he procurado informar a la comunidad de tal manera que, teniendo un conocimiento realista y preciso sobre nuestra situación, podamos con más confianza y generosidad, comprometernos como miembros activos en esta Comunidad de Fe. Espero que este año como ha sucedido en los anteriores, podamos revisar cuidadosamente la información presentada en este boletín y al mantenernos adecuadamente informados, evitemos espacio para los rumores y estadísticas falsas en lo que se refiere a nuestro Santuario Parroquial.

Les invito a poner atención especialmente a la sección de *Status Animarum*, es decir el apartado donde nos muestra el número de Bautismos, Confirmaciones, Primeras Comuniones, Quinceañeras, Bodas, Funerales, etc que celebramos a lo largo de la parroquia; estos números reflejan de una manera muy clara la actividad litúrgica que llevamos a cabo como Familia en la Fe. La información sobre los grupos parroquiales y los servicios otorgados (especialmente en el Centro Comunitario con más de 11,000 personas atendidas el año pasado), son una muestra clara de nuestra actividad pastoral. Finalmente, el reporte económico nos ayuda a tener ideas claras sobre cómo andamos financieramente; siento que a pesar de tener números tan adecuados, necesitamos insistir más en la necesidad de hacer de nuestra colecta dominical la principal entrada de dinero, no podemos seguir creyendo que vamos bien si no despertamos la conciencia de colaboración financiera en todos los parroquianos.

A diferencia de otras veces, en vez de un informe detallado durante las Misas Dominicales, vamos a presentar un informe sobre todas las reparaciones y ampliaciones que se han hecho en nuestros edificios desde que yo llegue a esta comunidad como Párroco hace casi 5 años. El informe detallado lo vamos a presentar aquí en el boletín, espero que todos tengan acceso al mismo llevando una copia a casa y compartiendo en familia la información que presentamos. Agradezco a cada uno de ustedes su participación y colaboración en nuestra Familia de Fe. Bendiciones para los que comprometidamente participan en nuestras actividades parroquiales, y a los que aun no se acercan, les invito a caminar con nosotros en esta bellísima misión de establecer entre nosotros el Reino de los Cielos.

*Adsum,*



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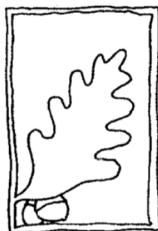


**Atención parroquianos registrados**

Estamos actualizando nuestros registros. Si han realizado cambios recientemente en su nombre, dirección o número de teléfono. Por favor, póngase en contacto con la oficina parroquial. Se lo agradecemos.



# LA PERSEVERANCIA TE GANARÁ LA VIDA

**LA JUSTICIA SANADORA DE DIOS**

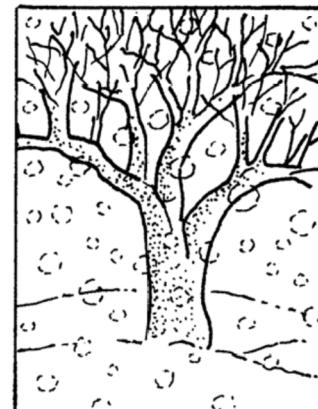
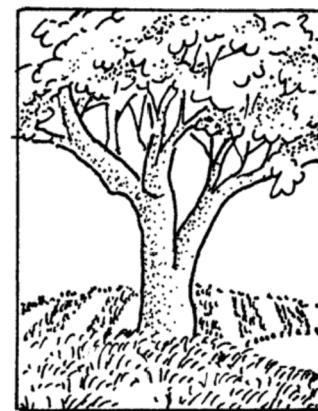
Una antigua expresión sostiene que las piedras calentadas por el sol curan. Tal vez. Pero el profeta Malaquías explica que a aquellos que no encuentran un lugar para Dios en sus vidas sólo le esperan días oscuros, sin sol. El profeta nos dice que, a la inversa, el afecto y la luz de la justicia sanadora de Dios aguardan a aquellos que temen al Señor. Esa es una noción bastante consoladora – especialmente ahora durante los días breves, cada vez más breves, de noviembre. Es la piedra calentada por el sol, y mucho más.

Pablo, igualmente, nos habla de justicia pero señala que esta no es algo pasivo. Para ser tratados con justicia, debemos aportar nuestra parte. Si somos diligentes y perseveramos, seremos recompensados con y por los frutos de nuestra labor. Finalmente, Lucas también nos llama a perseverar – en la fe, esta vez – y nos dice que nuestras vidas estarán aseguradas en Dios no importa cómo nos traten nuestros enemigos.

**TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE**

En 1769 los franciscanos bajo la dirección de fray Junípero Serra alzaron una cruz en Alta California, dedicando la primera misión en la zona a san Diego de Alcalá. Diego, cuya fiesta es el 13 de noviembre, fue un franciscano del siglo XV. Este santo español nunca fue sacerdote, prefiriendo servir a Dios como hermano lego (laico) ayudando a los pobres y cuidando a los enfermos.

Siempre fue un humilde servidor de los demás. Aun cuando lo hicieron guardián (líder franciscano) nunca dejó de servir a los pobres, los enfermos y a sus hermanos franciscanos. Su afán por dar a los pobres las cosas del convento lo llevaba a esconder sus donaciones en su manto. Una vez un hermano le preguntó que escondía y él mintiendo respondió: "rosas". El hermano insistió verlas y en lugar de la comida que llevaba a los pobres, aparecieron rosas y más rosas. Laantidad del patrón de San Diego, California se apoya sobre tres pilares: 1) solidaridad con los más necesitados, 2) devoción a Cristo crucificado y 3) evangelizar en unión con la Iglesia.



## Fr. Feccia's Reflection



L'ossessione di una fine del mondo, accompagnata da sconvolgimenti cosmici e di cataclismi di ogni genere, non è così estranea al nostro tempo come si potrebbe credere. La minaccia di una catastrofe nucleare probabilmente ha il suo peso in tutto questo. Più di un autore contemporaneo e tutta una serie di film di questi ultimi anni descrivono avvenimenti estremi, come se la fine del mondo fosse ormai alle porte. Quanto poi ai falsi messia, questi non mancano mai.

Il pericolo che i cristiani si lasciassero attirare dai discorsi di certi impostori, che prendevano spunto dalle guerre e dalle sommosse dei loro tempi per annunciare l'imminenza della venuta del Signore preoccupava già l'evangelista Luca, che più di Marco e Matteo, cerca di distinguere bene le cose. Innanzitutto, egli sottolinea che non c'è alcun rapporto tra la distruzione del tempio, avvenuta nell'anno 70, e la fine del mondo: la rovina di Gerusalemme non porta con sé la consumazione dei secoli, che anzi potrebbe farsi attendere ancor a lungo. Piuttosto, prima che si verifichino le catastrofi che precluderanno veramente la fine dei tempi, i discepoli devono sapere che andranno incontro a molte persecuzioni. Superate con una fede purificata dalle sue illusioni apocalittiche, queste rappresenteranno per loro una garanzia di salvezza, un'occasione per mettere in atto la perseveranza che ottiene la vita, la costanza nella fede che è necessaria in qualsiasi momento della storia.

Così Luca ci richiama saggiamente all'oggi, a ciò che avviene «prima di tutto questo»: il nostro tempo, la nostra vita. Anche se molte cose crollano, non dobbiamo evadere dalla storia: la fine di «un mondo», non è ancora la fine *del* mondo; rimanere saldi nel Signore nonostante tutte le traversie dell'esistenza è ciò che veramente conta, e non delude.

**Essenza del cristianesimo**— «Devono accadere queste cose»... Gesù si serve più volte di tale espressione per annunciare sia la passione che lo attende, sia le persecuzioni dei primi cristiani; egli la usa anche per profetizzare la caduta di Gerusalemme e il crollo della mura sontuose del tempio. Gesù non promette ai suoi fedeli la riuscita, di cui un tempio colossale è il simbolo, al contrario, essi non saranno veramente suoi discepoli se non sapranno affrontare, come lui, il furore dei grandi, e di affidarsi al linguaggio e alla saggezza del vangelo, senza altro appoggio che la sua forza di convinzione.

**Un Messia che delude**

Nel discorso escatologico, Gesù spiega il significato del suo intervento messianico, usando il vocabolario e i temi della letteratura

apocalittica, linguaggio difficile per noi. L'intervento storico del Figlio dell'uomo inaugura gli ultimi tempi. La pienezza di vita è accordata.

L'opera dei Messia è collocata sotto il segno dell'universalismo. Egli deve riunire tutti gli uomini dal quattro venti, perché tutti sono chiamati ad essere figli del Padre. Gerusalemme è condannata perché ha tradito la sua missione trasformando in privilegio per sé il

servizio da rendere a tutti i popoli: essa non ha rinunciato al suo particolarismo.

Il regno del Figlio dell'uomo non è il trionfo sui nemici del popolo ma il suo cammino di obbedienza fino alla morte sulla croce. La via per giungere alla pienezza sperata è diversa da quella attesa: bisogna passare attraverso la morte per entrare nella vita eterna: perché la morte, accettata nell'obbedienza, può essere la realtà dove si realizza il più grande amore per Dio, e per gli uomini.



# Mass Intentions

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS  
WHO ARE ILL OR INFIRMED:

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7:30 am † Maria & Raffaello Sevieri by Son

5:30pm †

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13

### THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:45am † Phillies Arient by Grandchildren

† Aunt Viv, remembering you today and always by Michael Gail & Pally

9:00am †

10:30am † Michelle Atteo by Wife, Children, & Grandchildren

† Caterina by Ana Boba

12:00pm † Joseph Augustino Jr. by Wife & Children

† Jose Olivera by Daughter

1:30pm †

5:00pm †

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

### WEEKDAY

7:30 am † Della Esposito by Lucia Esposito

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15

### WEEKDAY

7:30 am †

6:30 pm †

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

### WEEKDAY

7:30 am †

7:30 pm NOVENA

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17

### SAINT ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY

7:30 am For the Birthday Steven Pempek by Friend Corinne Principe

6:30 pm †

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 18

### WEEKDAY

7:30 am †

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

### WEEKDAY

7:30 am For the Birthday of Frank Palermo by Mother & Father

5:30pm †

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

### JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:45am †

9:00am †

10:30am † Gilso Alisai by Wife Rosa Alisai

† Carmela Pope by Ana Boba

† Antonio Labellarta by Family

12:00pm †

1:30pm †

5:00pm †

Phyllis Aiuppa

Linda Bandy

Art Conti

Mary Conti

Antonela De Biasio

Nico De Biasio

Mary Donato

Judith Escamilla

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Kristie Goldi

Linna Goldi

Susan Humpf

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Vandy Liala

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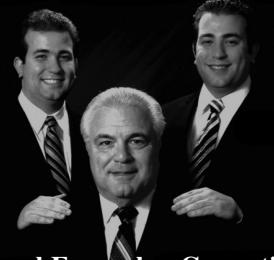
## ALL IN THE FAMILY

The term “family” gets used quite often today to describe a series of close bonds that are (or ought to be) present among various groups. Parishes, schools, scout troops, work groups, many different kinds of organizations commonly refer to themselves as “family” members with each other. How shocking it will be for us today, in our nuclear families or parish families, to learn from the lips of Jesus himself that it is in the renouncing of family relationships and the rending of family ties, even the despising of our own God-given life, that we will come to know and understand what it means to be a disciple, a follower of Jesus Christ. Is all of this to be taken literally? Yes and no. The Gospel today is telling us that in order to progress as a disciple, to follow Christ more closely, it is Christ and his gospel that alone can be the heart and center of our lives. Will most of us be called upon literally to leave our family members? Most likely not. But if we are disciples, we must be ready to do so.

## A FAMILY GUIDED BY PERFECT WISDOM

The first reading from Wisdom states, in its own way, this very same principle. All that we know of this life, all that we hold dearest, that we love and cherish most, all of this is still not of the unsearchable and unknowable riches of divine wisdom. Jesus’ extreme description of what we must reject establishes the same sort of chasm between God’s ways and our ways as the author of the Wisdom passage does. But both teachers also instruct us that God can and God does, through the spirit of grace from on high, come to us and reveal to us the ways of heaven. We do not or cannot search them out for ourselves in our earthly things or human relationships. But we can, with God’s help, set aside our own limited natures and come closer in the loving bond God has for us and is prepared to spread among us.

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