The Missionary Shrine of Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

Stay Awake!

Wake up! Wake up before death wakes you up. In a less dramatic expression that's a virtual leitmotif in the Gospels. Jesus is always telling us to wake up, to stay awake, to be vigilant, to be more alert to a deeper reality. What's meant by that? How are we asleep to depth? How are we to wake up and stay awake?
How are we asleep?

All of us know how difficult it is for us to be inside the present moment, to not be asleep to the real riches inside our own lives. The distractions and worries of daily life tend to so consume us that we habitually take for granted what's most precious to us, our health, the miracle of our senses, the love and friendships that surround us, and the gift of life itself. We go through our daily lives not only with a lack of reflectiveness and lack of gratitude but with a habitual touch of resentment as well, a chronic, grey depression, Robert Moore calls it. We are very much asleep, both to God and to our own lives.

On the one hand, the distractions, cares, and pressures of everyday life will invariably have their way with us and we will, in effect, fall asleep to what's deeper and more important inside of life. But it's for this reason that our faith provides prayer and ritual to help wake us up, particularly the Eucharist.



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 6:12-16
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

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St. Guido Maria Conforti

Founder of the Xaverian Missionaries in 1895



Feast Day is November 5

St. Guido Conforti Pray for Us



Weekly Celebrations

SUNDAY
10 AM MASS IN THE SHRINE CHURCH
1 PM FILIPINO MASS (BI-LINGUAL)

SATURDAY
10 AM MASS IN THE SHRINE CHURCH CONFESSIONS 3 PM - 4 PM

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY
7:30 AM MASS IN CONFORTI CHAPEL

DAYS OF OBLIGATION
7:30 AM IN CONFORTI CHAPEL
12:10 PM IN SHRINE CHURCH

Last week's collection:

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, November 8, 10 AM | 1 PM
+ Jose and Fatima Risendes | Robert Wasnewski

MONDAY, November 9, 7:30 AM
+ Carmela Damiano

TUESDAY, November 10, 7:30 AM
+ Stephen White

WEDNESDAY, November 11, 7:30 AM
+ Albert Gianetti & Josephine Melo

THURSDAY, November 12, 7:30 AM
Intention for Noel Hobsen

FRIDAY, November 13, 7:30 AM
+ Deceased members & benefactors of the Vu Family

SATURDAY, November 14, 10 AM
+ All Holy Souls in Purgatory

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