

**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
(YEAR A) Remembrance Sunday**

FIRST READING: A reading from the book of Wisdom (6:12-16)

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes
herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble;
you will find her sitting at your gates.
Even to think about her is understanding fully grown;
be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave
you.
She herself walks about looking for those who are
worthy of her
and graciously shows herself to them as they go,
in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2)

R. For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R.**

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **R.**

SECOND READING: A reading from the first letter of
St Paul to the Thessalonians (4:13-18)

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about
those who have died, to make sure that you do not
grieve about them, like the other people who have no

hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and
that it will be the same for those who have died in
Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you
this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who
are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any
advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet
of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the
command and the Lord himself will come down from
heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first
to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be
taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet
the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for
ever. With such thoughts as these you should
comfort one another.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

Stay awake and stand ready,
because you do not know the hour
when the Son of Man is coming.

R. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew
(25:1-13)

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom
of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their
lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of
them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish
ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil,
whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as
their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all
grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there
was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet
him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and
trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the
sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps
are going out." But they replied, "There may not be
enough for us and for you; you had better go to those
who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had
gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived.
Those who were ready went in with him to the
wedding hall and the door was closed. The other
bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said
"open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you
solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake,
because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

The Gospel of the Lord.