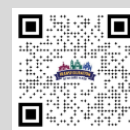
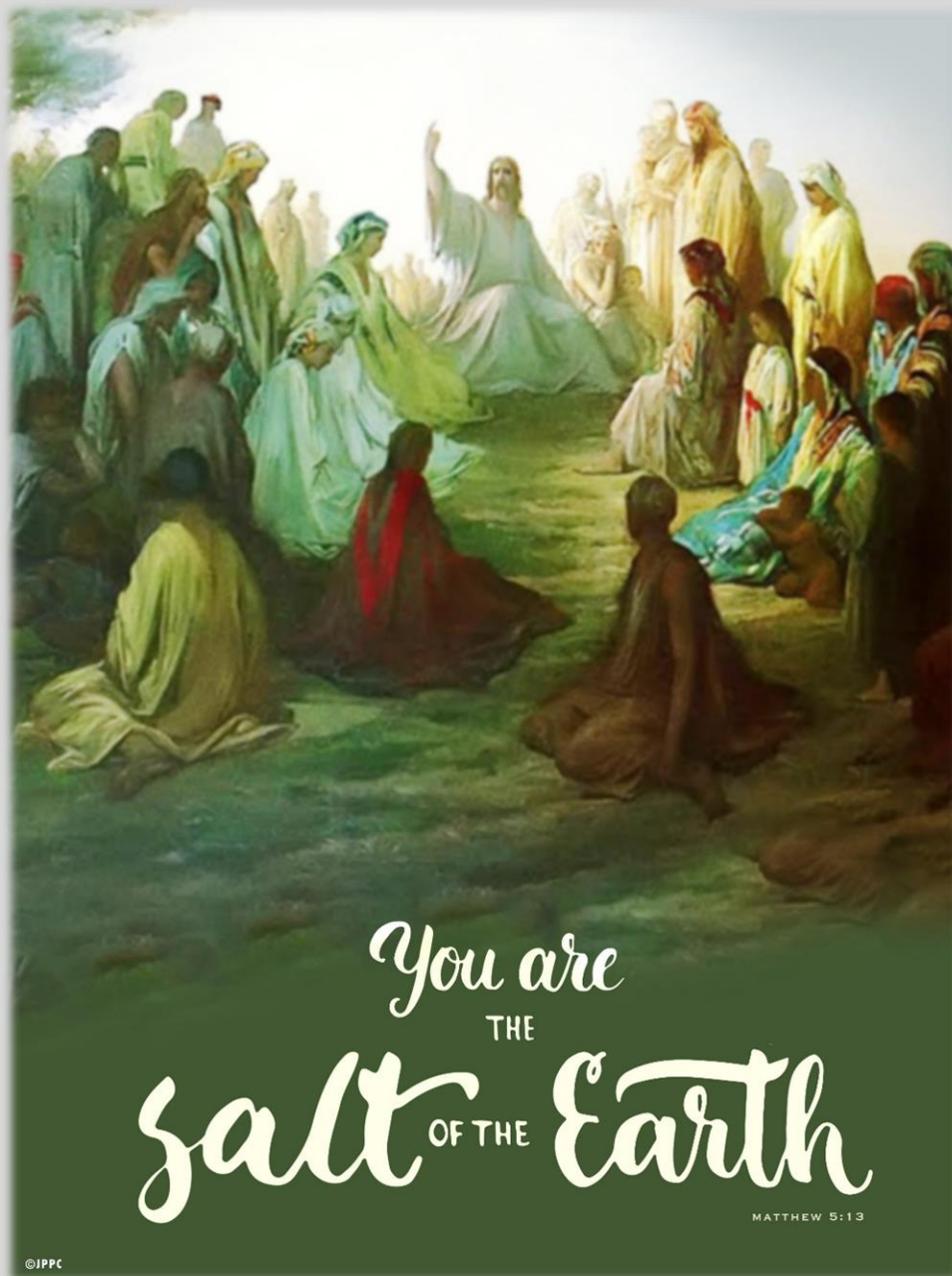


Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 5, 2023



Saint Mary 14 Park Street + Sacred Heart 58 Church Street + Saint Mark 105 Stanley Street
North Attleborough, Massachusetts

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish

Rev. Michael A. Ciryak, Temporary Parochial Administrator

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Mr. Jarrod Ward, Superintendent

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North Attleborough, Massachusetts 02760

(508) 695-1173 or email ripco@comcast.net

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saint Mary Church • Saturday 3:00 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday following the 11:00 am Mass in Sacred Heart. Baptisms are scheduled for 12:30 pm with a limit of four families at each baptism. Please contact Monica Forte in the office at stmaryna@noozi.com for more information and available dates.

Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage is usually celebrated on Saturday morning and afternoon. Please contact the Parish Office at least nine months in advance to begin preparation.

Sacrament of the Sick

Pastoral care to those in need of the sacrament of the sick is arranged through the parish office. Please call to arrange a visit.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration is offered on the first Friday of each month in Saint Mary Church, beginning at 9:00 am and ending at 6:00 pm with Benediction.

Parish Offering

If you are attending in person, you may drop your contribution in the collection basket. You are welcome to mail your budget envelope to the parish office, at 14 Park Street, North Attleborough, MA 02760. You may also leave your envelope in the drop box located outside the parish office door, to the right on the landing. Or you can use this link for online giving:

<https://app.gabrielsoft.com/guest/mafrdiocese/31>

Thank you for your ongoing support!

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm Saint Mary Church

Sunday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church

Sunday 9:30 am Saint Mary Church

Sunday 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church

Weekday Masses

Monday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church

Tuesday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church

Wednesday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church

Thursday 8:00 am Communion Service

Saint Mark Church

Links to: Transfiguration of the Lord Facebook page
<https://www.facebook.com/Transfiguration-of-the-Lord-Parish-North-Attleborough-106529317647894/>

YouTube at <https://tinyurl.com/ysfaxaty>

Parish Office

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GOD'S CALL

The person who has been “saved,” who has “heard the good news of salvation,” still lives in an unsaved world, a world sadly oblivious to the presence of God. Today’s readings outline how the disciple is present in the world.

The outline begins with Isaiah: “Share your bread . . . shelter the oppressed . . . clothe the naked” (Isaiah 58:7). Those who hear the word of salvation are not insensitive to the urgent needs of others. Then Paul reminds his flock that he brought Christ to them not in eloquence or wisdom, but by being with them in the “weakness and fear” of their daily lives (1 Corinthians 2:3). Finally, Jesus tells his disciples to go out into the gloom and darkness of the streets of the world and let God’s light shine through their good deeds.

We disciples don’t save the world. To the extent, however, that we have heard the word of God and been awakened to God’s presence, we may spread that word and bring that presence to others.

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February 5 – 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	February 4
4:00 pm	Angela Rand
Sunday	February 5
8:00 am	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	February 5
9:30 am	Roland Alix
Sunday	February 5
11:00 am	Virginia B. Miller
Monday	February 6
4:30 pm	Charlie & Mary Sedlak
Tuesday	February 7
8:00 am	Mary Fitzgerald
Wednesday	February 8
4:30 pm	Anthony (Tony) Arnone
Thursday	February 9
8:00 am	

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February 12 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	February 11
4:00 pm	Susanne Wignall
Sunday	February 12
8:00 am	For the People of the Parish
Sunday	February 12
9:30 am	Patricia Marchese
Sunday	February 12
11:00 am	Thomas Sirois

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Parish Contributions

Collection figures

January 21/22: \$12,139.25

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*Eternal rest grant unto our beloved dead, O Lord.
Let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest always in the loving arms of God.*

Pope Francis

“If we leave the house in the morning keeping a word of Jesus in mind, the day will surely acquire a tone marked by that word, which has the power to orient actions according to the wishes of the Lord.”

17 July 2022

Saint Mary –Sacred Heart School
*Do you have a child who will be 4 years old by
August 2023?*



As parents, you are the primary educators of your child; thus, it is never too early to plan for your child's education. Our LITTLE SAINTS program is an adventure to help each child encounter feelings of success and experience opportunities for discovery. We build upon a child's natural talents and curiosity to help your child become a confident learner and be fully prepared for Kindergarten – academically, socially, and spiritually. Call us at (508) 695-3072 to set up a time to tour our school and meet our amazing Pre-K4 staff! We invite you to learn more about our Kindergarten through Grade 8 Saint Mary-Sacred Heart School students and programs by visiting our website www.smshschool.com.

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Adoration takes place on the First Friday of each month in Saint Mary church.

"You can come to me (in Eucharistic Adoration) at any moment, at any time; I want to speak to you and I desire to grant you grace!" (Jesus to St. Faustina)

We invite you to answer His call.

Adoration hours in March: Saint Mary Church, Friday, March 3, beginning 9:00 a.m. and ending at 6:00 p.m. with Benediction. For more information call Joanne Regali (508-643-3821) or Arlene Hall (508-801-2243). Please leave a message if the call is not answered immediately

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"You are the Salt of the earth. You are the light of the world." "A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." "Your light must shine before others."

Why not let your light shine by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. It can be the salt and light you need for your relationship. Experiences available are:

Mar 10-12, 2023 in Upton, MA

Jun 23-25, 2023 in Huntington, NY

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Joe & Ginny Vatile at 978-870-5646 or <https://www.mema.org/>.

Transfiguration of the Lord

Respect Life Group

The next meeting of the Respect Life Group will take place on Monday, **February 6, 2023. It is now meeting at Saint Mark rectory 105 Stanley Street**. We hope you will join us as we develop this new respect life vision in our parish. Please email or call Joanna Wissler wissler5@verizon.net or 508-243-5307 for more information.

Women's Guild Meeting

Hello Guild Members! We have an exciting night planned for our February Women's Guild event. We will be having a paint night where we will be making our very own masterpiece canvas painting. The host for the evening will be Sylvia Delaney, a painting artist from Paint and Chillax and she will be guiding us step-by-step on how to produce our masterpieces.

Details on the event will be as follows:

Date: February 7th (this is a change from the original schedule night of February 14th)

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Transfiguration of the Lord Parish (Hall)

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Advance registration was required for this event.

If you have questions, please email Diana Gray at dgraysix@yahoo.com or call at (508) 695-1143

Donation Statements

The 2022 year end tax reports are available from the budget envelope company **for those parishioners using the budget envelope system. Loose checks mailed or placed in the collection are not recorded by the budget company.** Please contact Monica in the office, email preferred (stmaryna@noozi.com), if you would like your statement. You may also call (508-695-6161) and leave a message with your name and address. Contribution letters can be mailed or emailed to you. Please indicate your preference when you contact the office. Thank you for your support of our parish community.

Readings for the Week of February 5

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5; Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10



Inclement Weather Policy 2023

Please refer to this policy when winter storms approach.

1. If North Attleborough schools **cancel** classes for the day, daily Mass is canceled for that day and the Parish Office will be closed for the day. All scheduled activities and meetings are canceled for the day.

2. If North Attleborough schools have a **delay** in opening, daily Mass is canceled for that day and the office will open later if it is safe for travel. Scheduled activities and meetings are canceled for the day.

3. If there is a severe storm on a weekend, we would not risk travel. Masses would be held on Saturday at 4:00 pm Mass and/or Sunday at 9:30 am at Saint Mary Church only. Sacred Heart Church and Saint Mark Church would not be open for use under these circumstances. We will indicate this plan on the parish voicemail and website and if possible via the parish Facebook page. Common sense should always prevail. If we are told to stay off the roads in a storm even if it is not a declared snow emergency, then you should stay home. This is for your safety and the safety of others.



4. If a snow emergency is declared and travel is restricted to emergency vehicles on a weekday, Saturday or Sunday - no Mass celebrated in the parish that day. Please consider watching the Fall River Diocesan Television Mass on Sunday at 11 a.m. on WLNE-TV, ABC Channel 6, New Bedford-Providence or online at <https://www.fallriverdiocese.org/tv-mass/>. We will indicate this plan on the parish voicemail and website and if possible via the parish Facebook page. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation concerning these directives.

FAITH FORMATION

Director of Religious Education ~ Mrs. Elaine Corvese

508-695-3823

TransfigurationRelEd@gmail.com

First Communion and Confirmation Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation will be held at **Saint Mary Church** for ALL second grade students on **Saturday, March 18, 2023** beginning at 10:00 am

First Communion will be held on **Saturday, May 13 and Saturday, May 20, 2023** at Saint Mary Church at 11:00 am. Please see your email from Mrs. Corvese for information about your date assignment.

Confirmation is scheduled for **Saturday, March 4, 2023, at 11:00 am in Saint Mary church** for all Confirmation Candidates.

Confirmation Rehearsal dates:

Wednesday, February 15

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Saint Mary Church
CANDIDATES ONLY

Tuesday, February 28

6:30 pm – 7:45 pm Saint Mary Church
CANDIDATES AND SPONSORS

Other Class dates:

Grades 1 and 2: Classes: Tuesday, February 7 and Saturday, February 11

Grades 6 and 7: The next class for 6th Grade is Monday, February 13, and 7th Grade is Monday, February 27.

Grades 8: The next class for 8th Grade will be held Wednesday, February 8.

Join Us!

Why not make this year the time you join one (or more) of our many parish groups? Come to a meeting, meet some new friends and join in spreading the Good News to our community. New members are welcome to our Bible Study groups, Women's Guild, Knights of Columbus, Saint Vincent de Paul, Respect Life and more... come and see what is happening and what you have been missing! If you aren't sure where to start, contact the Parish Office for a group contact, meeting dates and times.

Lenten Diaper Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be organizing a Lenten Diaper Drive, to benefit Abundant Hope Pregnancy Resource Center. We are requesting donations of diapers in sizes 4-6. These are the sizes that are used most frequently by the clients at Abundant Hope. Some clients whose babies have allergies to certain brands of diapers, and Pampers seems to be the brand that works best for many of the babies - but donations of all brands are appreciated. We are also requesting donations of diaper wipes. We will have containers at each of the three North Attleborough churches, starting the weekend of February 25-26, and continuing throughout lent. Thank you very much for your support of Abundant Hope PRC.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal Catholic organization focused on Charity, Unity, and Fraternity. Council #330 has been serving the Catholic community of the Transfiguration of the Lord Parish since 1898. The Council is committed to assisting local causes that align with our Catholic values such as the Parish, St Mary-Sacred Heart School, Adopt-a-Family, and Abundant Hope. If you are interested in becoming a member or have questions, please contact Jim Schromm at jim.schromm@verizon.net

Transfiguration of the Lord Parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul. The Society meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month in the parish hall in Saint Mary Church. Please join us!

Call for Assistance

If you need assistance, please call the help line for our parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society. They can offer information about the types of assistance available. Please call 508-212-4755 for help or more information.

News from the Diocese of Fall River

2023 Women and Men's Conference

To register or for more information please visit the Diocese of Fall River website at <https://www.fallriverdiocese.org/>



**RECEIVE JESUS.
WORSHIP JESUS.**

 **2023 Women & Men's Conference**

Saturday, March 11, 2023
10 AM - 5 PM

Ames Sports Complex - Stonehill College
320 Washington Street, Easton, MA 02357



**Dynamic Guest Speakers | Music | Adoration | Reconciliation
Morning Refreshments | Lunch | Vendors | Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit**


**Relics of Bl. Carlo Acutis & St. Manuel Garcia present for veneration**
Breakout Sessions available in English, Spanish & Portuguese
4 pm Closing Mass celebrated by Bishop Edgar da Cunha, S.D.V.

 **CEU's Offered**

Early Bird Rate: \$35 by Jan 23, 2023
Regular Cost: \$50

Registration Deadline: March 6, 2023

Eucharistic Revival




Eucharistic Nights & Relic Tour


Monday, March 13 at 6pm
St. Anthony Church, East Falmouth

Tuesday, March 14 at 6:30pm
Holy Name Sacred Heart of Jesus, New Bedford

Wednesday, March 15 at 6pm
Cathedral of St. Mary, Fall River


with talk by **Fr. Roger Landry**
National Eucharistic Preacher
Priest of the Diocese of Fall River

Each night will also include:
Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, opportunity for veneration of the relics of Bl. Carlo Acutis and St. Manuel Garcia, and the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit




Eucharistic Nights & Relic Tour

Coming this Lent as Part of the National Eucharistic Revival


These evenings will feature a talk by Fall River Diocesan priest Father Roger Landry who is among 50 priests from across the country commissioned to serve as a National Eucharistic Preacher, along with Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and an opportunity to venerate the relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis and St. Manuel Garcia. In addition, a Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit will be present for viewing. Catholics from across Southeastern Massachusetts, Cape Cod and the Islands are invited and encouraged to attend any one of the evenings to unite in prayer during that week, asking the Eucharistic Lord to renew our Fall River Diocese.

Conference Speakers

**Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, S.D.V., D.D.**
8th Bishop of Fall River

**Mari Pablo**

- National ministry consultant with The Evangelical Catholic
- Presenter for Ascension Press, including "The 99 - An Evangelization Mission Series", the "Bible Timeline" and "Ascension Presents"
- Regular presenter at the annual Steubenville Youth Conferences, NCYC, NET, and FOCUS Conference
- Earned her Bachelor's from Franciscan University of Steubenville and a Master of Theology from the Augustine Institute

**Reverend Roger Landry**

- National Eucharistic Preacher with the USCCB National Eucharistic Revival
- Catholic Chaplain to Columbia University, NYC
- Papal Missionary of Mercy
- Former attaché to the Vatican UN Observer Mission
- A priest of the Diocese of Fall River and author, Fr Landry graduated from Harvard University and the Pontifical North American College in Rome

Register either by visiting <https://bit.ly/23WMC> or complete the form below and return it with your check payable to **Diocese of Fall River, 423 Highland Ave., Fall River, MA 02720 Attn: WMC**

2023 Women & Men's Conference Registration Form

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Parish: _____ Parish City/Town: _____

 ☐ I am interested in obtaining CEUs

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS
March 6, 2023



A Biblical Walk Through the Mass
The Importance of the Eucharist and Mass for Catholics

Wednesday, Feb 15th
6:30 PM EST | Online


featuring **Edward Sri, Ph.D.**
Theologian, Author, Media Producer
featured on Formed, and Visiting Professor at Augustine Institute

Register for Free at:
<https://bit.ly/ReviveMass>



Readings for February 5, 2023

First Reading

**A reading from the Book of the
Prophet Isaiah**

Thus says the Lord:

Share your bread with the hungry,
shelter the oppressed and
the homeless;

clothe the naked when you see them,
and do not turn your back
on your own.

Then your light shall break forth like
the dawn,

and your wound shall quickly
be healed;

your vindication shall go before you,
and the glory of the LORD shall be your
rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the LORD
will answer,
you shall cry for help, and he will say:
Here I am!

If you remove from your midst
oppression, false accusation and
malicious speech;

if you bestow your bread on the hungry
and satisfy the afflicted;

then light shall rise for you in
the darkness,

and the gloom shall become for you
like midday.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Responsorial Psalm

**R. The just man is a light in darkness
to the upright.**

Light shines through the darkness
for the upright;

he is gracious and merciful and just.
Well for the man who is gracious
and lends,
who conducts his affairs with justice.

**R. The just man is a light in darkness
to the upright.**

He shall never be moved;
the just one shall be in
everlasting remembrance.

An evil report he shall not fear;
his heart is firm, trusting in
the LORD.

**R. The just man is a light in darkness
to the upright.**

His heart is steadfast; he shall not fear.
Lavishly he gives to the poor;
His justice shall endure forever;
his horn shall be exalted in glory.

**R. The just man is a light in darkness
to the upright.**

Second Reading

A reading from the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling, and my message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of Spirit and power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

The word of the Lord.

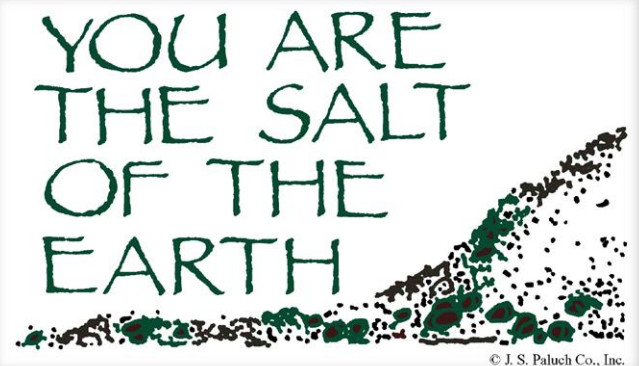
Thanks be to God.

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

*I am the light of the world, says the Lord;
whoever follows me will have the light of life.*

R. Alleluia, alleluia.



Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

† **A reading from the holy Gospel
according to Matthew**

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

You are the Light of the World

“You are the _____ of the world. A city set on a _____ cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a _____ and then put it under a bushel _____; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the _____. Just so, your _____ must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and _____ your heavenly Father.”

Use the pictures below to fill in the blanks from today's Gospel reading

