

NOVEMBER 13, 2011

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MATTHEW 25:14-30

This has always been known as the parable of talents. It merits reflection and prayer. The gospel relates that the three were given different levels of responsibility according to their abilities. Two invested wisely and were rewarded. The third did nothing with what was given to him. He didn't lose anything, but he didn't gain anything either.

God gives us different talents, abilities, and gifts, too. It is not what we receive which matters, but what we do with what we have does. We are to use our time, talents, and treasures in order to serve God completely in whatever we do. For us to be faithful we must accept personal responsibility and try to make the best decisions.

Do not let what you can't do interfere with what you can. Having only modest talent is no excuse for not using it.

THINK WHAT THE MORNING WOULD BE LIKE IF ONLY THE TALENTED BIRDS SANG!

--Sr. Julian Honza, CDP

For reflection and sharing:

- ▲ In what way am I using the talent God has given me?
- ▲ How have your talents enriched your life and the lives of others?
- ▲ Faith is a gift. How are you cultivating our gift of faith?

November 21 ... Beatification of Father Moyer in 1954