



## Preparing the Sunday Gospel—for November 12, 2017 Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### The Ten Young Women

Proclaim: Mt. 25:1-13



#### Questions/Process:

1. For whom were the ten women waiting? *(vs. 1)*
2. Why do you think they had their oil lamps with them? *(vs. 2. Explain that it was a custom to use lamps to light the way for the bridegroom.)*
3. What did the foolish women do? *(vs. 3)*
4. What did the wise women do? *(vs. 4)*
5. What happened while the foolish ones went off to buy some oil? *(vs. 10)*
6. The foolish women were not ready when the bridegroom came. Have you ever had a time when you were not ready? What happened?
7. Who do you think the bridegroom is? *(Jesus, God)*
8. What do you think Jesus wants us to watch out for that we don't know the day or the hour that it is coming?
9. Jesus wants us to be ready to welcome him and follow him always. What is one thing you could do this week to help you be ready to follow Jesus?
10. Lead a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to help us be ready to follow Jesus.
11. Close by praying the "Our Father" prayer together.



And Jesus concluded, "Watch out, then, because you do not know the day or the hour.

- Matthew 25:13