

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 25, 2017

The Story and You™



Sacred Conversation

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Oh, Jeremiah. We really get you. You sound just like us when we were, say, fifteen. Back then we knew that our every word, every behavior was being scrutinized by our “friends” and used for conversation at the slumber party to which we had received no invitation. How the memories still sting.

You were a young man, maybe even a teenager, when you wrote, “All those who were my friends are on the watch for some misstep of mine.” It turns out that you weren’t paranoid. Your friends WERE talking about you behind your back. They were talking about your prophetic warnings about the destruction of Jerusalem, and going back through the years to remember how you’d ALWAYS been addicted to drama, ALWAYS been a worry-wart, ALWAYS been looking for attention.

Yes, you were right and they were wrong. And your prayer—so full of the hurt feelings of a young person—was answered. They died, and you lived. But I’ll bet that, seeing your friends tortured and killed, or taken into captivity, was not the satisfying moment you thought it would be. I’ll bet that you begged for their release before Nebuchadnezzar. But he wasn’t exactly the reasonable guy you hoped for, was he?

You probably hadn’t heard today’s responsorial psalm yet, since it wasn’t put in its final form until the grandchildren of those dragged away that day returned to Jerusalem. Let me remind you of it now: *The Lord hears the poor, and those who are his own he spurns not* (69:33).

It’s a blessing to be little. It’s a blessing to be humbled. That kind of poverty puts you directly in the center of God’s heart. Lucky you.

What memories do you have of God’s great love during a time of being humbled?

La Historia y Usted™



Conversaciones Sagradas

Décimo-Segundo domingo de Tiempo Ordinario

Oh, Jeremías. Usualmente te comprendemos. Te oyes justo como nosotros nos oíamos cuando teníamos más o menos quince años. En ese entonces sabíamos que cada una de nuestras palabras, cada comportamiento, estaba siendo juzgado por nuestros “amigos” y usado como tema de conversación en la fiesta de pijamas a la que no fuimos invitados. Como duelen los recuerdos todavía.

Tú eras un hombre joven, tal vez hasta un adolescente, cuando escribiste, “Todos los que eran mis amigos ahora están buscando una mancha en mí.” Resulta que no eras un paranoico. Tus amigos ESTABAN hablando de ti a tus espaldas. Ellos hablaban de tus advertencias proféticas acerca de la destrucción de Jerusalén, y hablaban del pasado recordando como SIEMPRE estuviste adicto al drama, SIEMPRE te preocupabas demasiado, SIEMPRE buscabas toda la atención.

Sí, tú tenías razón y ellos estaban equivocados. Y tu oración—tan llena de la dolencia de una persona joven—fue contestada. Ellos murieron, y tú viviste. Pero apuesto a que, el ver a tus amigos ser torturados y asesinados, o tomados en cautiverio, no fue tan placentero como tú creías que lo sería. Apuesto a que le rogaste a Nabucodonosor que los liberara. ¿Pero él no era el tipo razonable que habías esperado que fuese, o sí?

Probablemente no habías escuchado todavía el salmo responsorial de hoy, ya que ese salmo no tomaría su forma final hasta que no regresasen a Jerusalén los nietos de aquellos que fueron sacados a la fuerza ese día. Déjame te lo recuerdo ahora: *El Señor escucha a los pobres, a aquellos que son suyos él no los olvida.* (69:33).

Es una bendición ser pequeño. Es una bendición ser humilde. Ese tipo de pobreza nos pone directamente en el centro del corazón de Dios. Que suertudo eres tú.

¿Qué recuerdos tienes del gran amor de Dios durante algún tiempo donde te estaba haciendo humilde?

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Around the Parish and the Community



FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

It's not too late to think about faith formation classes for the 2017-2018 school year. The early registration discount for class fees ends on Sunday, July 2. Register early and save \$10 per student on class fees. Early registration for fall classes has been extended to Sunday, July 2, 2017. Our regular Sunday class fees are \$50 per student, but the fee is reduced to \$40 per student if paid in full by July 1. Sacramental preparation fees are \$35 per student.

If you picked up forms but have not yet turned them in, please do so by July 2 to receive the discount.

RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The RCIA process is for adults over the age of 18 who wish to become Catholic, and thus enter the Church through the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. It is also for Adults who wish to complete the sacraments in the Catholic Church, or for those who have been baptized in another faith tradition. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in this way, please contact Laurie at the parish office for more information.

Fr. Nick's email address is revnickt@gmail.com. This will be posted on the new bulletin cover for July

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next baptism class will be on Sunday, July 17 at 1:00 pm. Please call or email Laurie at the parish office to register for the class. Cost is \$20.

Saturday	June 24
4:00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	June 25
9:00am	+Richard Huter by family
11:30am	People of the Parish
Monday	June 26
8:30am	Communion Service
Tuesday	June 27
8:30am	
Wednesday	June 28
8:30am	
Thursday	June 29
8:30am	
Friday	June 30
8:30am	
Saturday	July 1
4:00 pm	+Deceased Members of the Altar and Rosary Society
Sunday	July 2
9am	
11:30am	

Please contact the parish office if you wish to request a mass intention. Mass offerings are \$10.

Readings for the week of June 25, 2017

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Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35/Rom 5:12-15/Mt 10:26-33

Monday: Gn 12:1-9/Ps 33:12-13, 18-20, 22/Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18/Ps 15:2-4ab, 5/Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Ps 105:1-4, 6-9/Mt 7:15-20

Thursday: Vigil: Acts 3:1-10/Ps 19:2-5/Gal 1:11-20/Jn 21:15-19

Day: Acts 12:1-11/Ps 34:2-9/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22/Ps 128:1-5/Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Gn 18:1-15/Lk 1:46-50, 53-55/Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a/Ps 89:2-3, 16-19/Rom 6:3-4, 8-11/Mt 10:37-42



HOPE AND HEALING AFTER AN ABORTION

Rachel's Vineyard of Colorado

Healing the pain of abortion one confidential weekend at a time!

NEXT RETREAT: July 14-16, 2017.

Deadline to register: July 10, 2017

Edith: (303) 775-4108 edieg2@aol.com

Lori: (303) 904-7414 lorgreg@msn.com

Website: www.rvrcolorado.org

This Catholic retreat, suitable for all Christian faiths, offers a way for women and men to find the healing love of their God to help them overcome the pain associated with having had an abortion nuestros corazones. Por favor, visite www.Archden.Org/GiveToday o llame al 303.715.3111 para hacer su donación hoy mismo.

Community Ministry needs—**Canned FRUIT** for the month of June. You can place your donation in the basket in the entrance of the church. Thank you for your generosity!

CLUB 50-50 WINNERS FOR JUNE

\$100 Sharon Kissell

\$50 Kenny Aragon

\$50 JL Rodriguez

WELCOME FR NICK!

Please join us in welcoming Fr. Nick Thompson as our new pastor! We will be having a welcome gathering on THIS weekend after all the masses to give everyone an opportunity to introduce themselves. Refreshments will be served.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Matthew 10:26-33

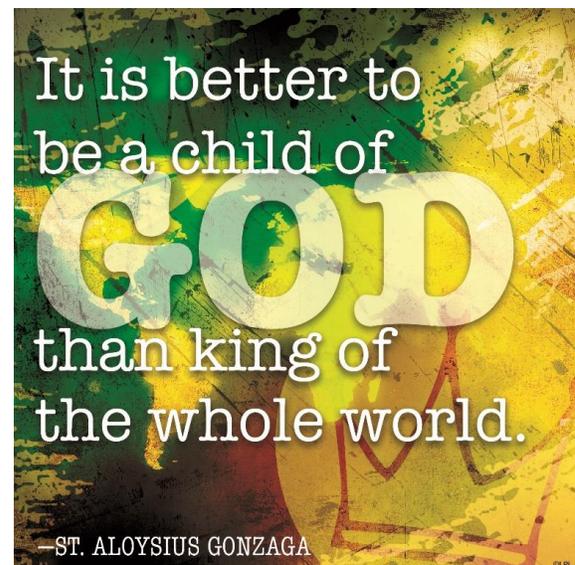
Jesus counsels his disciples to have the courage to acknowledge their faith when faced with persecution. When have you been afraid to share your faith?

Jeremiah 20:10-13

We hear words of despair from the prophet Jeremiah as he was persecuted for prophesying the destruction of Judah. How do you pray in moments of hopelessness?

Romans 5:12-15

In his Letter to the Romans, Paul writes about Adam's role in the fall of humanity. According to Paul, what was the consequence of Adam's sin?



Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish—

Dolores Esquibel, Tom Trujillo, LeRoy Kress, Fernanda Gonzalez, Teresa O'Donnell, Reagan Capps, Ronald Petersen, Tate Hallahan, Clarita Rubio



Dear All,

It has been a week since I arrived and it has been an absolute joy for me to have begun getting to know many of you. Thank you all for being so welcoming. Praise the Lord that the place hasn't yet fallen apart! I have taken the better part of the last week cleaning and arranging the rectory and the offices with the help of Adam, who helps maintain facilities and plant operations on campus, and my friend Sean. The summer months are a good time for that kind of a thing. I am thankful to Laurie Lopez, our director of faith formation/pastoral assistant, and Barbara McGuire, our business administrator for helping orient me to all things parish related. I plan on meeting soon with Elias Moo, our school principal, next week to learn more about all things school related.

As you know there are a lot of moving parts that make up the St. Rose of Lima family operation. One of my first priorities this summer is building relationships with you. Another priority is to observe and take inventory of the many dynamics that make up the operation: religious education, the financial situation of both the parish and the school, the facilities on campus, etc. Taking inventory will help us plan for the future, and if need be, to build in ways in which we might be more efficient and help improve overall life on campus. All this for the glory of God and to serve His Kingdom.

As you know, too, our facilities are older and need maintenance. Fortunately, because of a gracious gift from Our Lady of Loreto (OLOL), my former parish here in the Archdiocese of Denver, this summer we can begin a project to help maintain the facilities. What I did was have Gery Myhre, the facilities and maintenance operator at OLOL come and evaluate our facilities. Gery has a side heating, ventilating and air conditioner business (Weatherworks Inc.) that he runs too. He diagnosed that the rectory boiler, one of four total on campus, has gone bad and needs to be replaced. We will use the gift from OLOL to replace the boiler. We also packaged into the boiler deal, two and possibly three other items. We are going to replace the swamp coolers in the church with two new air conditioners for sure, and if the budget (\$20,000)

allows we will replace the swamp cooler in the rectory too.

Recently we had Denver Water audit our water situation so we might grow our understanding as to why there is such a huge discrepancy of water usage between the months of November through April and May through October. One thing, among others, that we did last week to help improve our water efficiency, is we had Aqua Corporation install a WaterSense Smart Controller as well as high efficiency sprinkler nozzles. Leaks in the sprinkler system were fixed too.

I hope and pray you are all having a great summer! God bless you.

Fr. Nick



Jesus tells us today, "Fear no one." All of us have fears. Some of us may fear the future, change, rejection, being out of control, ridiculed, losing a cherished relationship, failure, and even sickness and death. We have no control over much that we fear. Anxiety and worry become a futile waste of time and serve only to impact the quality of life. Faith, which brings a trust in God's promise that he is with us, allows us to face whatever comes with courage and acceptance. While very difficult to do, this is exactly what we are asked to do.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION

If you are interested in celebrating your marriage at St Rose of Lima, please contact Fr Nick at 303-778-7673, ext 116, or via email at revnickt@gmail.com. Couples must contact the parish at least 8 months prior to the scheduled date of the wedding.

