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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, June 21, 2026



SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS

For the good of our souls we must speak God's Word. This is not just a moral requirement, or some ideal behavior for which we must strive. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus equates eternal life with the words we speak in the light, from housetops, and before others.

In the languages that Jesus and other Jews would have used, the word for soul was the same as the word for throat. The throat was the seat of life, the passage that allowed both breath and bread to feed the body. More importantly, the throat was the home of the voice. One's speech revealed the state of one's soul. Every word a person uttered communicated something about the beliefs that animated the life within.

This connection between soul and speech is especially clear in this week's first reading and responsorial psalm. An unshakable commitment to God had made the prophet Jeremiah and the psalmist targets of hostility. While acknowledging their current disgrace, both demonstrate their belief that a commitment to speaking God's Word would lead to deliverance. Their soul's faith in God's promises inspired them to speak words of praise even before God acted to deliver them.

But this was not the usual case, as Paul notes in the second reading. Until Christ's work of salvation, sin and death abounded. Sin consists, at least in part, in lies, boasting, murmuring against God, and outright rebellion.

In fact, throughout the Scriptures, sins of speech are more common than sins of lust or of violence. But now, Christ's Gospel gave humanity a new chance to speak God's Word, and Christ's Spirit overflowed in any who did so.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus promises eternal life to those who speak his words with courage. Fearless speech reveals the faith within. Even when the message is rejected, sharing Christ's words of love binds us to all that is eternal— the divine love that created and continues to sustain all things. Sourcebook 2026

We warmly invite you to encounter Christ in a special way through **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** every Tuesday after the 6:00 p.m. Mass. Take a moment in your week to pause, pray, and rest in the presence of the Lord.
"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." – Matthew 11:28



MASS TIMES:

Sunday 10:00 a.m.. (Livestreamed) & 5:00 p.m.
Monday-Friday: 6:00 p.m.

ADORATION: Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. o

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First Reading: Jeremiah 20: 10-13**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalms 69: 8-10, 14, 17, 33-35**Second Reading:** Romans 5: 12-15**Alleluia:** John 15: 26b, 27a**Gospel:** Matthew 10: 26-33

DID YOU KNOW? Be your children's safety net. Parents and guardians have a responsibility to be the first line of defense for their children and that starts with boundaries. Set rules around internet use in your home and block access to sites where they can be contacted by others, except for trusted friends and family, wherever possible. If children are older, talk to them about the dangers of taking and sharing inappropriate pictures and videos. For more tips, visit parents.thorn.org.



evening of conversation, networking and reflection inspired by [Blind Spot](#), the recent work by Deacon Charlie Echeverry.

As the Latino Catholic population continues to shape the future of the Church in the U.S., important questions emerge around culture, faith formation, media influence, leadership, and belonging. This special event will bring together leaders and voices from across entertainment, ministry, and culture to explore the intersection of Latino identity, Catholic faith, and the influence of today's media landscape.

The evening will feature Holy Mass, a cocktail reception, a keynote reflection by Deacon Charlie Echeverry, and a panel discussion with distinguished leaders engaging the opportunities and challenges facing Latino Catholics today--moderated by Deacon Charlie. Panelists include Jaime Hernandez, Film Producer, *The Sound of Freedom*; Berni Neal, Philanthropist, The Neal Foundation; and Jesus Chavez, Televisa Univision.

Whether you are involved in ministry, education, media, nonprofit leadership, or simply interested in the future of the Church, this conversation offers an opportunity to reflect on how faith and culture intersect in an increasingly connected world.

Sunday Hospitality

Please join us after the 10:00 a.m. Mass for coffee and donuts, graciously hosted by our Hospitality Ministry.

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"Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is one who always repays and he will give back sevenfold. (Sirach 35)"

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06/14/26 Online \$ 2,654.00

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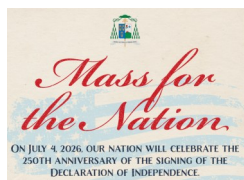
All are invited to send prayers of intention to be blessed by Archbishop José H. Gomez and presented to Our Lady of Guadalupe at the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico City during a pilgrimage Mass that Archbishop Gomez will be celebrating on Saturday, July 11.

This Sunday, Father's Day, June 21 is the last day to submit a prayer intention at the Chapel of the Relic of the Tilma of St. Juan Diego at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels and at all 11 locations of the Catholic Cemeteries and Mortuaries. Prayer requests may also be submitted online at lacatholics.org/pilgrimage.

The Mass at the Basilica is open to all! Please join on Saturday, July 11 at 9 a.m. (pacific) whether in person or by watching the livestream at lacatholics.org/pilgrimage.

This year's pilgrimage is especially significant as this year we celebrate 495 years since Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared as the mother of all humanity on the hill of Tepeyac in 1531 to St. Juan Diego, and commemorate the 50th anniversary of the consecration of the modern Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe which is built directly across from the original church.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, pray for us!



You are invited for a special Mass for the Nation as we celebrate the 250th Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The mass will take place on **Friday, July 3 at 12:10 p.m.** at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels and celebrated by Archbishop José H. Gomez.

Before Mass, gather with Catholics from across Southern California for a Patriotic Celebration in the Cathedral Plaza beginning at 11:00 a.m. as we give thanks for our country and prepare our hearts in prayer. As we look ahead to America's 250th birthday, we entrust our future to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and ask God to bless our nation with renewed faith, hope, and charity.

For more information, visit: <https://lacatholics.org/america/>