

**TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – JUNE 21, 2020**  
**PNCC SUNDAY WORSHIP FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND HOLY MASS DUE TO COVID 19**

**HYMN – MORNING HYMN**

Lord, this morn we raise our voices, As the world in song rejoices  
All the works of Thy creation Join to sing thy admiration.

Lord, to us thou hast been gracious, O the blessings Thou didst give us  
Now we cannot help but praise Thee, For Thy gifts of love and mercy.

Through the night Thou didst protect us From the dangers that beset us  
That we might arise to praise Thee, And to sing Thy lasting glory.

In the name of the ✠ Father and of the Son of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Blessed be the Holy and Undivided Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

Dear Father in heaven, thank You for bringing me safely to the beginning of a new day. Keep me safe throughout the day from temptation, sin and evil. O Lord, by Your help and guidance may my thoughts, words and all that I do be in accordance with Your holy will. Amen.

**ACT OF CONTRITION**

O God, from the depth of my heart I am sorry for sinning against You. Through my sins I have turned away from You, displeased You and offended You. I promise to confess my sins, to do penance and with Your grace to amend my life by following You closely and keeping Your commandments.

**ENTRANCE HYMN**

V. This saying is trustworthy: If we have died with Him we shall also live with Him; if we persevere we shall also reign with Him.

R. But if we deny Him He will deny us. If we are unfaithful He remains faithful, for He cannot deny Himself.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

R. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**THE KYRIE**

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

**THE GLORIA**

Glory to God in the Highest, and peace to His people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of ✠ God the Father. Amen.

## **OPENING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, pour out Your Spirit and enflame us with the fire of Your love. Grant us the words to move the hearts of all people and the courage to hold firm should Your word be rejected. We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the same Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **FIRST READING: Jeremiah 20:10-13**

Jeremiah said: “I hear the whisperings of many: ‘Terror on every side!  
Denounce! let us denounce him!’  
All those who were my friends are on the watch for any misstep of mine.  
‘Perhaps he will be trapped; then we can prevail, and take our vengeance on him.’  
But the Lord is with me, like a mighty champion:  
my persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph.  
In their failure they will be put to utter shame, to lasting, unforgettable confusion.  
O Lord of hosts, you who test the just, who probe mind and heart,  
let me witness the vengeance you take on them, for to you I have entrusted my cause.  
Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has rescued the life of the poor  
from the power of the wicked!”

This is the Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

For your sake I bear insult, and shame covers my face.  
I have become an outcast to my brothers, a stranger to my children,  
Because zeal for your house consumes me,  
and the insults of those who blaspheme you fall upon me.

***Lord, in your great love, answer me.***

I pray to you, O Lord, for the time of your favor, O God!  
In your great kindness answer me with your constant help.  
Answer me, O Lord, for bounteous is your kindness;  
in your great mercy turn toward me.

***Lord, in your great love, answer me.***

“See, you lowly ones, and be glad; you who seek God, may your hearts revive!  
For the Lord hears the poor, and his own who are in bonds he spurns not.  
Let the heavens and the earth praise him, the seas and whatever moves in them!”

***Lord, in your great love, answer me.***

## **SECOND READING: Romans 5:12-15**

Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death,  
and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned - for up to the time of the law, sin was in  
the world, though sin is not accounted when there is no law.  
But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin after the pattern of the  
trespass of Adam, who is the type of the one who was to come.

But the gift is not like the transgression.

For if by the transgression of the one the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many.

This is the Word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

**ALLELUIA VERSE:** John 15:26,27

Alleluia, Alleluia.

The Spirit of truth will testify to Me, says the Lord;  
and you also will testify.

Alleluia, Alleluia.

**THE GOSPEL:** - Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus said to the Twelve: “Fear no one.

Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known.

What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light;

what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.

And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul;

rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy both soul and body in Gehenna.

Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?

Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father’s knowledge.

Even all the hairs of your head are counted.

So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.

But whoever denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord. *Praise be to You Lord Jesus Christ.*

**REFLECTION** – *from The Word Among Us*

*My persecutors will stumble, they will not triumph. (Jeremiah 20:11)*

Jeremiah was not having a good week. He had been arrested, beaten, and thrown into prison.

Then, having been released, he pronounces an oracle of destruction against Jerusalem and offers a bitter prayer accusing the Lord of “seducing” him into this dangerous ministry (Jeremiah 20:7).

And he prays for the chance to see his enemies’ downfall—and to savor it (20:12)!

Today’s reading is not what Jesus had in mind when he said, “Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you” (Matthew 5:44). We have only to think of Jesus’ words of forgiveness on the cross to see how he really wants his people to respond to persecution and enmity.

It’s comforting to know that even a great prophet like Jeremiah had bad days. It gives us some perspective on our own lives. Who among us hasn’t wished vengeance on someone who has hurt us? We know we shouldn’t, we know it’s wrong, but sometimes we find it very hard to resist the pull toward resentment and revenge.

The truth is, change takes time, and we have to keep working at it. We have to keep checking our thoughts, examining our motives, and holding our tongues until we develop the virtues that mirror Jesus’ perfect, unconditional love. We also have to keep pressing in to stay close to the Lord so that his love continues to shape our hearts.

But remember this: you are not alone! You are part of a Church filled with saints, both famous and obscure, who show that change is possible. You also have friends you can turn to for support when you need it. And most important—and most reassuring—you have the Holy Spirit, who is always ready to remind you of Jesus’ love and to give you his grace and encouragement.

Jeremiah had far more good days than bad days because he never gave up. Neither should we.

*“Lord, teach me how to love everyone, even the people who are making my life difficult.”*

*(A few moments for silent reflection)*

### **NICENE CREED**

I believe in One God, the Father, the Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of one being with the Father.

Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He was born of the Virgin Mary,  
AND BECAME MAN.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again in fulfillment of the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life who proceeds from the Father. With the Father and the Son, He is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come.  
Amen.

### **PRAYER**

Lord our God, we offer this sacrifice of praise to You. May it strengthen our faith in weak and fearful moments. We ask this in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### **OUR FATHER**

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name; Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
Amen.

### **ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

Most loving Jesus, I adore You in the Most Blessed Sacrament, in Which You are truly present. I love You above all things and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot receive You sacramentally, I ask You to come spiritually into my heart and heal my soul. I embrace You and unite myself with You; may I never be separated from You. In flame my heart with the fire of Your love, my Lord and Savior.

## COMMUNION VERSE

Similarly, good works are also public; and even those that are not cannot remain hidden.

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Almighty God, may Your grace strengthen us who share in the Mysteries of the Altar. Grant us endurance to do Your will and the resolve to receive what You have promised.

We ask this through our Lord, Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## PRAYERS FOR FATHER'S DAY

Let us pray.

Almighty God and most gracious Father, You gave us parents for the rearing of each new generation and the fulfillment of Your purposes on earth.

You poured into their hearts the graces of faith, love and sacrifice.

On this day, dedicated to the honor of our fathers, we ask You to bless all the fathers of our parish. Empower them to lovingly fulfill the obligations that You have set before them, as they look to the example of Saint Joseph. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Almighty God, give us grateful hearts for the blessings of fatherhood. Strengthened by the Holy Eucharist, inspire us to understand and appreciate a father's spirit of love and self-denial.

Through the incarnation of Your Son You showed us the love a father has for his children and the way to truth, life and understanding. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## PRAYER IN TIME OF NATIONAL ANXIETY

Let us pray.

I come to You, Lord, in this time of uncertainty and confusion that has gripped our nation and our world. I pray that our leaders and representatives in government are filled with Your peace, strength and courage. May your gifts of wisdom and understanding, fortitude and counsel be sought and utilized by them for the well-being of all people. By their belief and trust in You may they provide capable leadership, promote unity and peace, and be attentive to the concerns of our people. May Your Church provide support and comfort; and help strengthen our hope for peace through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

## THE ANGELUS – *ASKING THE INTERCESSION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER*

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary ...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to your word.

Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made Flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary ...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,  
R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

O Lord, we ask You, pour forth Your grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Your Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His passion and cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. We ask this through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

In the name of the ✠ Father and of the Son of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**CLOSING HYMN: COME UNTO JESUS**

Come unto Jesus, come while you may; Hear how He calls you, come, now this day.  
How he does love you, follow His way, Gently He calls you come!  
Lo the vision wondrous to behold. He would save us from this sinful world,  
To heav'ns blessed glory untold, O dearest Lord, we come!

Come, O my child now, come heed His call, give Him your heart your love and your all.  
He shall uplift you, lest you should fall, gently He calls you come!  
*(Refrain)*

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