

## LIVINGTHEWORD

- ❖ **Jeremiah's Struggle.** The prophet Jeremiah struggled with his vocation; he loved God and felt passionate about speaking God's word, but it got him into trouble. He warned people to be real and not fake followers of God. He got locked up. He experienced loneliness and rejection by friends. He places his hope and trust in God.  
**[Q]:** *Have you felt a prophet's call to challenge for change; upset the status quo? On noticing the cost of the call, what did you do? Did your faithfulness eventually praise the Lord?*
- ❖ **A Problem finds a Great Solution:** St Paul, in his writing to the community in Rome, highlights how Adam, Sin, and Fall have now been considerably outweighed by Jesus, Forgiveness, and New Relationship with God.  
**[Q]:** *Sometimes our journey requires balance; do you reflect more on sin and falling, or forgiveness and friendship with God? How could you ensure God's forgiveness and unchanging friendship is central in your faith journey?*
- ❖ **Do Not Be Afraid:** Jesus is now teaching disciples about mission and its challenges. 'Do not be afraid' is stated three times, which means there were obviously many challenges. The medicine for fear is trust; in God who has counted every hair on your head!  
**[Q]:** *How does this image make you feel? Can you name, claim, and tame your fears in conversation with God?*
- ❖ **Trusting Discipleship:** growing in trust with God is a question for many in their spiritual journey. We often worry about so many things, from the past or in the future. Jesus points to only one fear to really worry about – actions or influences that can 'kill the soul'.  
**[Q]:** *Do you have any soul-destroying or unhealthy habits or practices creating an experience of distance from your best self and from God? At its root, are they simply not trusting that God is enough, or uncertainty if God will turn up for you? Talk about this trust issue with God.*
- ❖ **Bold Witnesses:** Disciples are to expect moments where the world challenges and confronts you about your relationship with Jesus. While you may not be persecuted or physically threatened, or suffer a red blood martyrdom, modern life in many secular societies involves a white martyrdom of perseverance while being ridiculed or ignored.  
**[Q]:** *How could you declare and show yourself as belonging to Jesus this week?*

### Pope Leo XIV – His Presentation at the Launch of Magnifica Humanitas – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2026 (continued)

The word "build" reminds me of my years as a missionary in Peru. In 2017, torrential rains and floods struck the north of the country: many families saw their homes swallowed by mud, and many roads too. There I learned that rebuilding does not mean simply replacing what has been destroyed. It means repairing bonds, restoring trust, and reawakening hope in the future. Moreover, no one rebuilds alone.

In Magnifica Humanitas, I recall the biblical prophet Nehemiah. Before the ruined walls of Jerusalem, he gathers discouraged people to bring about rebirth. The image of walls does not legitimise closures or divisions, but invites each and everyone to do their part. Brick by brick, a more just coexistence takes shape, capable of safeguarding the dignity of all. Nehemiah's effort speaks to our time. Artificial intelligence can be a construction site of history from within a horizon of communion, in which technical progress learns to serve human life.

"Let each builder choose with care how to build" (1 Cor 3:10) warns St. Paul. He does not fear the worksite; rather, he warns against building without solid foundations. Let's not fear artificial intelligence, but constantly keep the question of the human in play.

True development always concerns "each man and the whole man." (St Paul VI) "Each" means that no person can be left at the margins of digital transformation. "Whole" means that no one can be reduced to productivity, to cognitive performance, or to mere data. The person bears within him- or herself a freedom, an interiority and a vocation to love and worship that no machine can replace or block. Only with such an integral vision can artificial intelligence be directed toward the common good. Only together will we be able to build a future, not for a privileged few, but for the entire human family. This is the civilisation which St John Paul II so forcefully proclaimed as a horizon to seek together. It is not a naïve dream. It is a direction. It is the path that Jesus Christ opens within history.

For this reason, the Church wishes, with humility and frankness, to be part of conversations on artificial intelligence. We do not possess technical answers, but we do bring a wisdom concerning the human that our present time desperately needs: every person is unique and irreplaceable, a free and intelligent subject with a conscience, capable of seeking God, serving one another, caring for our common home.

I therefore invite all members of the Church and of the human family: let us learn to listen to one another, face the present challenges with courage, and cooperate in building a more human and fraternal society. From this launch of Magnifica Humanitas, please take with you a commitment to stay awake and, as "artisans of hope", to keep on building the worksite of our time.



## CALENDAR

### MONDAY

June 22  
Weekday  
2 Kgs 17:5-8,  
13-15a, 18  
Mt 7:1-5

### TUESDAY

June 23  
Weekday  
2 Kgs 19:9b-11,  
14-21, 31-35a, 36  
Mt 7:6, 12-14

### WEDNESDAY

June 24  
*The Nativity of St.  
John the Baptist*  
Is 49:1-6  
Acts 13:22-26  
Lk 1:57-66, 80

### THURSDAY

June 25  
Weekday  
2 Kgs 24:8-17  
Mt 7:21-29

### FRIDAY

June 26  
Weekday  
2 Kgs 25:1-12  
Mt 8:1-4

### SATURDAY

June 27  
Weekday  
Lam 2:2, 10-14,  
18-19  
Mt 8:5-17

### SUNDAY

June 28  
*Thirteenth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*  
2 Kgs 4:8-11,  
14-16a  
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11  
Mt 10:37-42

## COMMUNION

We are the Body of Christ. This is who we are as Church. It is our profound mystery that we take and eat, take and drink at Communion. In doing so, we give expression to our identity.

If we are not in communion with the Catholic Church, it makes no logical sense for those to receive because simply, it is not their identity.

If you are Buddhist, from another Christian tradition or just our welcome guest, please feel free to come forward, not to receive communion but to ask for a blessing.

The simple practice of asking for a blessing is through the bodily posture of bowing one's head and crossing one's arms across one's chest when before the minister distributing communion.

If you are a parent with a child not receiving Communion, please take personal responsibility in asking the minister for a blessing for your child.

*John P. Murray osa  
Pastoral Leader, 10 am Mass Community*

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### MASS SCHEDULE:

Mon-Fri : Thai 06:00 hrs.  
Sat : Thai 06:00; 17:00 novena followed by  
mass  
Sun : Thai 07:00; 08:30 and 17:00 hrs.  
English 10:00 hrs.

### BAPTISM:

Thai : **First Sunday** during 8:30 am mass.  
English : **Second Sunday** during 10:00 am mass.

### CONFESSION:

Sundays : Before all masses (Thai).  
English before 10:00 am mass.

### CATHOLIC CENTER:

For religious articles, please visit the center opposite  
the entrance of the Cathedral.

### ***Opening Hours:***

Mon-Fri : 08:30 – 17:00 hrs.  
Sat & Sun : 08:30 – noon  
Public holidays : Closed

# Good News!

June 21, 2026

*Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)*

Jeremiah 20:10-13 / Romans 5:12-15  
/ Matthew 10:26-33

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**Secrets. The disabling fear of discovery.** Trying so hard to conceal something that we do not want others to know. Often, we guard secrets closely because we believe we will be embarrassed, punished, or excluded if our secrets are made known.

Sometimes, we hold tightly to secrets because we are ashamed. We keep other secrets because of the dynamics of family life: “We do not share our family business with anyone.” All secrets can be difficult to keep—some more than others. Perhaps the most difficult secret to hold is one that we fear defines our personal integrity and authenticity. It is the fear not only of discovery but also of perception: How will I be perceived if this is made known? Will I still be accepted? Or, even more painful: Will I be rejected, and how complete will the rejection be?

The “good news” of the gospel is that “nothing is concealed that will not be revealed” (Matthew 10:26). In other words, there is nothing that can remain tucked away forever. Everything is revealed in one way or another. Gospel grace and freedom result when a person chooses to freely release whatever it is that burdens them, including closely held secrets. It is the ultimate experience of dying to self to claim eternal life. ●

1. Some would rely on their power, others put trust in their gold. Some have only their savior, whose faithfulness never grows old. (R)
2. Sometimes the road may be lonesome, often we may lose our way; take courage and always remember; love isn't just for a day. (R)
3. Sometimes when troubles are many, life can seem empty, it's true, but look at the life of the Master, who lovingly suffered for you. (R)

**PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS PLEASE STAND**

**Priest:** Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**All:** **May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

**THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**HOLY (No. 263) PLEASE KNEEL**

**MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION (No. 264)**

**DOXOLOGY PLEASE STAND**

**Priest:** Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

**GREAT AMEN (No. 374)**

**COMMUNION RITE**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (No. 387)**

**Priest:** Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil; graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever.**

**LAMB OF GOD (No. 390) PLEASE KNEEL**

**Priest:** Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All:** **Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**COMMUNION: JESUS, HOPE OF THE WORLD (No. 909)**

**FINAL: ONE LORD (No. 770) PLEASE STAND**

**12<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year A)**

*Sunday, 21 June 2026*

**ENTRANCE: PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY (No. 616) PLEASE STAND**

**INTRODUCTORY RITE**

**Priest:** I confess to almighty God,

**All:** and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do;

– and, striking their breast, they say –

Through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Therefore I ask blessed Mary, ever-virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

**Priest:** May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

**All:** **Amen.**

**KYRIE / LORD HAVE MERCY**

**Kýrie, eléison. Kýrie, eléison. Christe, eléison. Christe, eléison.  
Kýrie, eléison. Kýrie, eléison.**

**GLORY TO GOD**

**Refrain: Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth, peace on earth, peace to people of good will.**

1. **We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.**
2. **Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us,  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand, the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.**
3. **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. (R)**

**FIRST READING: Jer 20:10-13**

**A reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah:**

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!"

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM 69: LORD, IN YOUR GREAT LOVE**



1. For your sake I bear insult, and shame covers my face.  
I have become an outcast to my brothers, a stranger to my mother's children,  
Because zeal for your house consumes me,  
and the insults of those who blaspheme you fall upon me. (R)
2. 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. (R)
3. "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!" (R)

**SECOND READING: Rom 5:12-15**

**A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans:**

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.

The word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**ALLELUIA: PLEASE STAND**

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

**All: The Spirit of truth will testify to me, says the Lord;  
and you also will testify.**

**GOSPEL: Mt 10:26-33**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you.

**All: And with your spirit.**

**Priest:** A reading from the Good News according to Matthew.

**All: Glory to you, Lord.**

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."

**Priest:** The Good News of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.**

**PLEASE BE SEATED**

**THE APOSTLES' CREED PLEASE STAND**

**Priest:** I believe in God,

**All:** the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

**RESPONSE TO THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL:**

**"Lord, hear our prayer."**

**PLEASE BE SEATED**

**LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

**PROCESSION OF THE GIFTS**

**OFFERTORY: ALL THAT WE HAVE**

**Refrain: All that we have and all that we offer,  
Comes from a heart both frightened and free.  
Take what we bring now and give what we need,  
All done in his name.**