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**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Dodecimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

**June 21, 2026**

**Masses / Misas**

<b>Saturday:</b>	English	5:30pm
<b>Sabado:</b>	Espanol	7:00pm
<b>Sunday:</b>	English	8:30am 10:30am (Live-streamed Mass)
<b>Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday:</b>	English	8:00am
<b>Tuesday and Wednesday Communion Service:</b>	English	8:00am

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation / Reconciliation:**

Saturday at 4:30pm and by appointment

**All Are Welcome at St. Timothy's**



## **St. Timothy's Services and Events**

**6/21 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**6/21 Happy Father's Day!**

**6/22 Faith Study Group Monday at 1:00pm in the Hall**

**6/23 Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist**

**6/26 Eucharistic Adoration Friday after 8:00am Mass**

**6/28 Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**6/29 Faith Study Group Monday at 1:00pm in the Hall**

**7/3 Eucharistic Adoration Friday after 8:00am Mass**



**Faith Exposed:**  
**Angelus, St. Peter's Square**  
**Pope Francis on Matthew 10:26-33**  
June 25, 2023

Dear brothers and sisters, Good Day, Good Sunday!

In today's gospel, Jesus repeats to his disciples three different times: "have no fear" (Mt 10:26, 28, 31). Shortly prior to this, he had spoken to them about the persecutions they would have to undergo for the Gospel, a fact that is still a reality. Since its beginning, in fact, the Church has experienced, together with Joys - of which she has had many - many persecutions. It seems paradoxical: the proclamation of the Kingdom of God is a message of peace and justice, founded on fraternal charity and on forgiveness; and yet it meets with opposition, violence, persecution. Jesus, however, says not to fear, not because everything will be all right in the world, no, but because we are precious to his Father and nothing that is good will be lost. He therefore tells us not to let fear block us, but rather to fear one other thing, only one. What is the thing Jesus tells us we should fear?

We discover what it is through an image Jesus uses today: the image of "Gehenna" (cf. v. 28). The valley of "Gehenna" was a place the inhabitants of Jerusalem knew well. It was the city's large garbage dump. Jesus speaks about it in order to say that the true fear we should have, is that of throwing away one's own life. Jesus says, "Yes, be afraid of that." It was like saying you do not need so much to be afraid of suffering, misunderstanding and criticism, of losing prestige and economic advantages to remain faithful to the Gospel, no, but of wasting your existence in the pursuit of trivial things that do not fill life with meaning.

This is important for us today. Even today, in fact, some are ridiculed or discriminated against for not following certain fads, which, however, place second-rate realities at the center - for

example, to follow after things instead of people, achievement instead of relationships. Let us give an example: I am thinking of some parents who need to work to maintain their family, but who cannot live for work alone - they need enough time to be with their children. I am also thinking of a priest or a sister who need to dedicate themselves to their service, without, however, forgetting to dedicate time to be with Jesus, otherwise, they will fall into spiritual worldliness and lose sense of who they are. And again, I am thinking of a young man or woman who have thousands of commitments and passions - school, sports, various interests, cell phones and social networks - but who need to meet people and achieve great dreams, without losing time on passing things that do not leave their mark.

All of this requires some renunciation regarding the idols of efficiency and consumerism. This is necessary so as not to get lost in things that end up getting thrown out, as they threw things out in Gehenna back then. Let's think, of the least who are often treated like unwanted objects. There is a cost to remain faithful to what counts. The cost is going against the tide, the cost is freeing oneself from being conditioned by popular opinion. But it does not matter, Jesus says. What matters is not to throw away the greatest good: life. This is the only thing that should frighten us.

Ask yourself: what do I fear? Mary, ever Virgin, Mother most Wise, help us to be wise and courageous in the choices we make.

Dear Sisters and Brothers,  
Let us pray for faith in God's unconditional love for us so that we will not be afraid to follow the teachings of Jesus in the Gospels. It is not the accumulation of worldly possessions, achievements and popularity that we take to heaven, but the acts of mercy and love toward the "least of His people." Mother Mary, help us.  
In Christ. Fr. Gabriel





# Why “Daily Bread” is about more than physical needs



## Unlock the Catechism for the Modern World

### Why “Daily Bread” is about more than physical needs

At first glance, it seems like we’re just asking God for food...but the Church has always taught that it’s so much more.

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# Por qué el “pan de cada día” es mucho más que solo comida





# 12th Sunday

## in Ordinary Time



### MAIN MESSAGE

- God is with us in times of fear.
- Do not be afraid—God cares for you.
- Grace through Jesus is stronger than sin.
- Stand up for Jesus—He will stand up for you.



### KEY SCRIPTURE

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

Matthew 10:31



### THE READINGS



**First Reading**  
Jeremiah 20:10-13  
God is with Jeremiah and will save him.



**Psalm**  
Psalm 69  
God hears the poor and shows mercy.



**Second Reading**  
Romans 5:12-15  
Sin came through Adam, but grace comes through Jesus.



**Gospel**  
Matthew 10:26-33  
Do not be afraid. God knows and cares for you.

## Do Not Be Afraid.

### WHAT THIS MEANS FOR US



Trust God in hard times.



Speak up for what is right.



Remember: God knows you and values you.



Let Jesus' grace help you choose love.

### THEMES TO KNOW



God protects us



Courage in faith



God hears and cares



Grace is stronger than sin



Fear God, not people

### TRY THIS

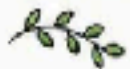


Encourage someone who is afraid or feeling alone.

### REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. When do I feel afraid to stand up for my faith?
2. How does God show He cares for me?
3. What helps me trust God more each day?

SCAN FOR MORE



You are loved by God! ❤️

**St. Timothy's Catholic Church**  
**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 5:30pm**  
+ Tina Alves

**Saturday, June 20, 2026 at 7:00pm**

**Sunday, June 21, 2026 at 8:30am**  
+ Tina Alves

**Sunday, June 21, 2026 at 10:30am**  
Fr. Ed Holterhoff

**Monday, June 22, 2026 at 8:00am**

**Tuesday, June 23, 2026 at 8:00am**  
Communion Service  
(Solemnity of the Nativity of  
St. John the Baptist)

**Wednesday, June 24, 2026 at 8:00am**  
Communion Service

**Thursday, June 25, 2026 at 8:00am**

**Friday, June 26, 2026 at 8:00am**

**Saturday, June 27, 2026 at 8:00am**

**All Mass Intentions are \$10 per Mass.**  
Please call the office to request a Mass  
Intention.

**To add a person to our prayer list:** A  
member of the immediate family may  
request a person's name be added.



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Fr. Gabriel in  
Washington, DC  
studying for his  
Masters in Canon Law.

Prayers & Blessings



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### Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But whoever does not acknowledge me before others I will not acknowledge before my heavenly Father.”  
–Matthew 10: 32-33

Acknowledgment of God is recognition of what God has done for us. To fail to recognize that all we have and are is His gift is not to recognize Him. When people see you in public, can they tell you are a Catholic? Do you make the Sign of the Cross and say grace before meals when dining out? How is the practice of your Catholic faith an acknowledgment of Christ in your life?



**The Lord is with me,  
like a mighty champion**

Jeremiah 20:11

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### **The Pope's Monthly Intentions for 2026:**

Each year, the Holy Father asks for our prayers for a specific intention each month. You are invited to answer the Holy Father's request and to join with many people worldwide in praying for this intention each month.

### **June**

#### **For the Value of Sports**

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

