



ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 14, 2026



Sunday Connection – Loyola Press



God speaks to us in many ways, including through the Sunday Scripture readings. The Sunday Connection provides useful background and activities to better understand the upcoming Sunday's Scripture readings, helping you to connect the Scripture to daily life in a meaningful way.

Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time, Cycle A

Background on the Gospel Reading

In today's Gospel, Jesus shares his mission to proclaim the kingdom of heaven with his disciples. The signs of the kingdom's presence consist of the work that Jesus has already been doing: the sick are cured, lepers are cleansed, demons are driven out, and the dead are raised to life. The disciples are sent to continue doing the work that Jesus has begun. This is a moment of transition in Matthew's Gospel. The focus has shifted from the ministry of Jesus to the work of the community that he has inaugurated. More than any other Gospel, Matthew's Gospel elaborates on the work of the Church, which is to continue after Jesus' death and resurrection.

The Gospel reports that Jesus commissions twelve disciples. Many scholars believe that the twelve disciples symbolize the twelve tribes of Israel. It designates, therefore, continuity between Israel and the Church.

Matthew lists the names of the twelve disciples, as do Mark and Luke. Matthew also uses the word *apostle* when referring to the Twelve. The word *apostle* means "one who is sent." In this context, Matthew is calling attention to the mission that the twelve disciples are being given. They are sent by Jesus to proclaim the kingdom of heaven in word and deed.

As Jesus sent his disciples to continue his work and mission, so too the Church is sent by Jesus. The Church is his continuing presence on earth. Every member of the Church is sent by Jesus to contribute to this mission.

Dear Friends,

I was so overwhelmed last week with your present and generous gifts on the occasion of my 25th Ordination Anniversary. Thank you all, particularly to those who stepped up to be leaders to organize this celebration. How many hours of meetings, setting up, cooking, serving, cleaning up after and ... You all did it in honor of me! I see the love and support that each of you through all your sacrifices. Thank You! And, Thank You for your warm welcome to my parents and brothers (4) and sister (1) and three nieces! They told me "how much you all have loved me!"

Again, thank you and may God reward you and bless you. Prayerfully, the love of God through our celebration of the Holy Eucharist will "GLUE" us together as brothers and sisters in Christ and bring us all closer to God, day after day.

Peace, Fr. Tien



The Parish Office will be closed this Friday for Juneteenth Day. There will be no daily Mass that day.



Please send your photos, videos, etc. of Fr. Tien's Ordination Anniversary to Dickkerzic@gmail.com

While the Catholic Church has no strict dress code, we are reminded to dress with respect for the sacredness of our gathering at Mass. Let our attire reflect the reverence we have for God.



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Prayers for healing: Donna Barbaro, Dolores Botti, Chad Cook, William Crunkleton, Susan Darby, Lillianne Duong Davis, Tony Frede, Dariel Hellerer, Wayne Hirsch, Guyla Ivers, Anette ML Jigla, Sandra Kanter, Georgette Lee, Terry McConnell, Michelle Mercer, Dee Moffitt, Delphine Moss, Monica Moya, John Ontiveros, Freeman Robinson, Josette Roisin, Kathleen Rogers, Mike Scarborough, Roxanne Lumia Smith, Wanda Stamey, Irene Tisdale, Art Todesco, Alan Tucker, Ruby Christina Tucker, Joe and Charlene Youdell, Rosalie Perreault, David Ramsey, Susie Lopez Pineda, Kamri Peck, Kathy Tallent, Denise Burkart, Connie Blackburn, Sharon Beals, Josephine Jennings, Dominga Feria Lopez, Bill Garbinski, Nick Birchard



Please pray for our parishioners and all men and women in the armed forces: Angel Avila, Stephen Fox, Lauren Richards, Christopher Richards, Jesus Rodriquez and Elizabeth Scoon



Rosary is prayed 1/2 hour before every Mass.

Adoration every Friday after our 9:00 a.m. Mass with the

Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 11:30 a.m. and benediction till noon.

Reconciliation 1/2 hour before Vigil Mass and Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, June 13

The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saint Anthony of Paudua,
Priest and Doctor of the Church

5:00 P.M. † Shirley O'Quinn
For all Priests

Sunday, June 14

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. † Rosanne Caroselli, Basilia, Anna Moehling
11:30 A.M. † Alfonso Trujillo, † Guillermina Nunez
Misericordia Group

Monday, June 15

9:00 A.M. † Dolores & † William Peter from family
For all Priests

Tuesday, June 16

NO MASS

Wednesday, June 17

NO MASS

NO CONFESSION

Thursday, June 18

NO MASS

Friday, June 19

Saint Romuald, Abbot
NO MASS

Saturday, June 20

5:00 P.M. † Asunsion Calvillo, † Leonor Nunez,
† Holy Souls in Purgatory
† Chase and † Beth by Sabina Anselmo

Sunday, June 21

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. † Barbara Gilbert and † Nancy Putnam
by Debbie Keener
† Cyrus Crawford, Anna Moeling
11:30 A.M. † Eduardo Cruz Vozquez

Please remember to keep Saint Francis Parish in your will.

