



# Our Lady of Lourdes Church and School

July 8, 2018

A Catholic Tradition in the foothills of Los Angeles since 1920

**Fourteenth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**First Reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5  
Second Reading: : 2 Corinthians 12:7-10  
Gospel: Mark 6:1-6**

THE REJECTED PROPHET

How will you define success? For most people, success means being successful in one's profession, possessing material wealth and assets or enjoying fame. But we know that all those things are fleeting and do not guarantee happiness and peace.

Ezekiel and Paul are among the well-known figures in the Bible. They were prophets sent by God. What links them together is their apparent lack of success according to the standards of their own time and place. Each of them was a rejected prophet who faced opposition from those who should have accepted and honored them. The same could be said about Jesus, Son of God, "...the Word became flesh" (John 1:14).

Ezekiel prophesied to his people in the early sixth century BC. God called Ezekiel, then an exile in Babylon, to warn the rest of his people back in Judah that the worst was yet to come unless they repent. In today's first reading, God warned Ezekiel that he would face people who were "hard of face and obstinate of heart." Nevertheless, his task was to preach to his people "whether they heed or resist." For Ezekiel, success was measured by fidelity to his prophetic calling, not by popularity or worldly accomplishments.

St. Paul's ministry as the apostle to the Gentiles was denigrated by fellow Jewish Christian missionaries who objected to Paul's law-free Gospel for the Gentiles. While admitting that Paul wrote good letters, they said that he was unimpressive in person and not an eloquent speaker. Instead of denying their charges, Paul boasted of his weakness. Whatever the nature of his "thorn in the flesh", Paul was pained by it and prayed to God to take it away from him. God's response to his prayer was, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." Paul realized that he was most "successful" as an apostle when he let God take over his life and work through his weakness. Paul said, "When I am weak, then I am strong."

Today's reading from the Gospel of Mark comes at the height of Jesus' apparent success as a powerful healer and a wise teacher. He is depicted as one with power over nature, demons, chronic diseases and even death. Yet when he came home to teach in the synagogue at Nazareth, the people, while initially impressed, rejected him. They imagined that they knew all about him and his family, whereas, they knew very little about his person and mission as the prophet of God's kingdom.

Thus, Jesus stands in the long line of rejected prophets whose real success consists, not in social or economic status or as celebrity, but in fidelity to God's divine calling.



## **Cast into the Deep Authentic Living**

**Fr. Rolly Astudillo**

Life is worth living when we live as authentic Christians. Trying to live up to the standards of others will never make one truly happy. But living up to the standards set forth by Jesus in the Beatitudes, in his summons to resist being judgmental, which leads to gossip, to turn the other cheek and not to retaliate but to love even one's enemies, opens oneself up not just to a simple life but to authentic living. Our desires, the stage of life we are in and the values we hold on to will be different from the person next to us.

Recently, I read an inspirational story that's worth sharing. The story starts with a rich and successful business man contemplating his terminal illness and his imminent death. "At this moment, lying on the sick bed and recalling my whole life, I realize that all the recognition and wealth that I took so much pride in, have paled and become meaningless in the face of impending death. You can employ someone to drive the car for you, make money for you but you cannot have someone to bear the sickness for you. Material things lost can be found. . . . Whichever stage of life we are at right now, with time, we will face the day when the curtain comes down."

People crave the most expensive, the fanciful and the most beautiful things. The businessman in the story continues in his soul-searching, "As we grow older, and hence wiser, we slowly realize that wearing a \$300.00 or \$30.00 watch – they both tell the same time. Whether we carry a \$300.00 or \$30.00 wallet/handbag – the amount of money inside is the same. Whether we drive a \$150,000.00 or a \$30,000.00 car, the road and distance are the same, and we get to the same destination. . . . Whether the house we live in is 300 or 3,000 sq. ft. – loneliness is the same. Whether you fly first or economy class, if the plane goes down, you go down with it."

True happiness, he says "is when you have a spouse, buddies and old friends, brothers and sisters to chat with, sing songs with, talk about north-south-east-west or heaven and earth."

At an inspirational talk to couples here in Our Lady of Lourdes Church on June 24, 2018, Dr. John and Claire Yzaguirre had this advice for all present: "Stop being time-starved, stressed out, overworked and sleep deprived. De-stress and balance your life. Live mindfully and heartily." Similarly, in speaking about the "House of Self", "visualize your life with seven rooms: work, friends, souls, health, family, ongoing education and community."

Finally, the business man in the story enumerated five undeniable facts of life:

1. Don't educate your children to be rich. Educate them to be Happy. So when they grow up, they will know the value of things and not the price;
2. Best awarded words in London – "Eat your food as your medicines. Otherwise you have to eat medicines as your food;
3. The One who loves you will never leave you for another because even if there are 100 reasons to give up, he or she will find one reason to hold on;
4. There is a big difference between a human being and being human. Only a few really understand it.
5. You are loved when you are born. You will be loved when you die. In between, you have to manage.



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#### BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENT

MAGNIFICAT - A Ministry to Catholic Women Prayer Meal

Saturday, July 28, 2018 @ 10AM

Odyssey Restaurant, 15600 Odyssey Dr., Granada Hills, CA

Guest speaker, Deacon Bill Betancourt  
Healing Miracles, Drug Addiction, Relationships & Marriage

Come and hear new Deacon Bill bring his testimony of Our Blessed Mother's intercession, healing from addiction, hope for relationships and marriage. Truly a message for all! Mail "Magnificat" check for \$30 to Magnificat, 17836 Oakrock Court, Granada Hills, CA 91344. After July 18 \$32. Questions? Teri Thompson 805-527-3745. On-line reservations at [www.magnificatsfv.org](http://www.magnificatsfv.org)

#### RCIA—Christian Initiation of Adults

Want to be friends with Jesus? The Rite of Christian Initiation aims to do just that. The RCIA journey endeavors to make Jesus more familiar to you and to bring you closer to Jesus. The journey can eventually lead to all the Sacraments which bond the two-way relationship between you and Christ. So, if you're not Baptized, or Baptized in another Christian faith or even Baptized Catholic, but haven't made you First Communion or Confirmation, come on by on the first and third Mondays of each month in the parish office at 7:00 pm and start to develop a friendship you're not going to find on social media.

**For more information call Jim Lank at (818) 367-4757 or email at [jimclank@gmail.com](mailto:jimclank@gmail.com) or if you're more comfortable in Spanish contact Blanca Nava at (818) 858-7991.**



**Every Thursday**  
Parish Rectory  
7:00 pm

#### The Letter of Saint Paul to the Ephesians

Be part of our Bible Study group as we examine Paul's epistle to the Ephesians. Ephesians is Paul's definitive statement on Christ, His Church, the mystery of salvation, the conduct of family life, and the theology of Christian marriage.

We hope you will join us.

**JOIN FR. ROLLY IN A PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE,  
THE CENTER OF ANCIENT CIVILIZATION:  
IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL  
ON OCTOBER 2-13, 2018.  
(Reduced price from \$3,995.00 - \$3,795.00)**

#### *Our Pilgrimage at a Glance:*

A tour of classical Athens, the seat of Ancient Civilization and where the Olympic Games began, with a stop at the Acropolis to see the spectacular Parthenon and the Temple of Athena; a cruise-visit to Corinth where St. Paul wrote his Letters to the Corinthians and to Ephesus to see the legendary home of Mary where St. John lived, then on to the Agora, the Odeon and the Great Theatre among others; back to our ship to sail for Patmos where St. John wrote the Book of Revelation; set sail for Crete where St. Paul ended his voyage to see the fantastic ruins of the Palace of Knossos and to Santorini with its open cafes that cling to steep cliffs; set sail for Delphi and Kalambaka to visit the Temple of Apollo and Meteora with its thousand-year-old Byzantine Monasteries; to Philippi and Thesalonika where Paul and Silas were imprisoned.

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#### NEW SENIOR WOMEN'S GROUP

Join the newly formed Seniors 55+ Group  
(for single, separated, divorced and widowed women)

Saturday, July 28  
at the  
Glendale Theatre  
(for the play *Mary Poppins*)  
at  
8:00 p.m.

Mail or drop off your check payable to OLL for \$28 at the parish office before July 14.

Meet at the hospitality patio at 4:30 p.m. to carpool for dinner in Glendale before the play.



# What's on the Calendar?

## MASS SCHEDULE Confession Schedule

Monday - Thursday	7:45 am
Friday	8:30 am
Saturday Vigil for Sunday	5:00 pm
Sunday	7:00 - 10:30 am
	8:30 am - en Español
	12:30 pm
	6:00 pm

**Confessions every Saturday  
3:45—4:50pm**

### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**In the Church      In the Chapel**

First Friday of the month	8:30 am	11:00-5:00 pm
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### September

2018 Bishop Barron's Eucharist  
5 session Study Program

### October

2018 Parish Picnic

### December

2018 Advent Retreat

**Watch for additional details on these upcoming events**



**For times of distress, fear, anxiety  
try this short prayer-poem.**

*Let nothing disturb you,  
Let nothing frighten you,  
All things are passing away:  
God never changes.  
Patience obtains all things  
Whoever has God lacks nothing;  
God alone suffices.*

~St. Teresa of Avila

## MASS INTENTIONS

**July 07 thru July 13, 2018**



### Saturday July 07

**5:00 pm** Guillermo Posadas †  
Suarez Family—*Thanksgiving*

### Sunday July 08

**7:00 am** Joseph † & Maria Nguyen †  
Dominic † & Maria Dinh †  
**8:30 am** Danny Bernard †  
**10:30 am** Deceased Members of the Taylor Family  
Corene Murphy—*Special Intentions*  
**12:30 pm** Paul Okon †  
Eduardo Alvarez—*Birthday Blessings*  
Robert Britt—*Healing & Successful Rehab*

### Monday July 09

**7:45 am**

### Tuesday July 10

**7:45 am** Conrado Cruz †--*Birthday Remembrance*  
Marcelina Concepcion †  
Macbelita Bucago—*Birthday Thanksgiving*

### Wednesday July 11

**7:45 am** J & Y Enriquez—*Special Blessings*  
Juan Antonio Cruz—*Birthday Thanksgiving*

### Thursday July 12

**7:45 am** Paulina Cruz †—*Birthday Remembrance*  
Jean McEndarfer—*Birthday Thanksgiving*  
Trisha Zapata—*Birthday Thanksgiving*

### Friday July 13

**8:30 am** Anacleto † & Dorothea Agamata †  
Henry Pereira—*Birthday Thanksgiving*



## Office of Family Life:

Separated, Divorced & Widowed Ministry Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels: Saturday, July 28, 2018 (9:30 am – 4:00 PM)

Tour of the Cathedral, Mass, Lunch & Workshop: Learn how to answer God's call in new and heart-filled ways, as you learn to be "Heart-Strong through Living Courageously" in the midst of challenges through trusting the Lord with your heart and being-filled with the spirit. Mass celebrant: Msgr. Jim Gehl; Workshop presenter: Ross Porter Ph.D; M. Div.

Cost \$25.00; RSVP by Monday, July 23; On-line registration: <http://archla.org/separatedanddivorced> For information contact: Julie Auzenne (213) 637-7249 or [jmonnell@la-archdiocese.org](mailto:jmonnell@la-archdiocese.org).

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# For your information.....

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The Catholic Daughters wish to thank all those who generously contributed to our fund drive to fill backpacks for 300 needy children in our community. These are all local children, and they are appreciative of your support. May God bless you for joining with us in this worthy community building work.



## CONFIRMATION

Confirmation sign ups will begin on July 14th and 15th after all the masses on the patio and will continue July 21st and 22nd. The last day to register will be at the parent meeting on August 18th.

## Teach children to be safe in the water this summer Published on 7/2/2018

Drowning is the second leading cause of death for people ages 5-24. Families need to talk to their children about safe habits to use whenever they go to the pool or beach. Children should never go in the water if they don't know how to swim, and should never swim alone or without a lifeguard present. For parents, avoiding distractions is critical when supervising swimming children. For more tips consult <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>.

## GOOD, BUT FAR FROM HOLY

An old man said, "When young, I wished to be an altar boy. I wanted to serve God and pray close to the altar, but I also wanted to be noticed by the others in church. My whole life was that way. I tried to be good—often failing but always trying—but deep in my heart, I wanted to be noticed for it. When my good deeds went unnoticed, I shrugged and quietly went my way—but it would have been good if they had noticed."

In the past, we called that a "gentleman's C." It might be a passing grade, but only barely. Why? Because his ego got in the way. It was a fault but not uncommon. I cannot read minds, but I believe most people must feel the same. It seems so natural. Psychologists tell us to recognize the efforts of the young. In moderation, this is good; but not in excess. Society has drifted so far down this path that we now give participation trophies for nearly everything. Our psycho-pundits warn us to take care of everyone's "self-esteem", ignoring that self-esteem is pride, while self-development, self-respect, and self-control are built on firmer grounds, and selfless-service is best.

How many saints would be observing others in the hope that others were praising them?

### Prayer Against Pride

Lord, let me not think too highly of myself.  
Nothing and no one comes before You.  
Have mercy on this proud heart of mine.  
Grant me the grace  
Never to raise myself above anyone.  
Only then can I be kind, considerate,  
And charitable to others.  
Kill the pride within me.  
Make me not "I-centered"  
But "other-centered."  
Rid me of my bloated self-esteem.  
Impress on me my nothingness  
Without You.  
Amen.

Bible Inspiration: Proverbs 29:23

*A man's pride results in his humiliation,  
but he who humbles himself will achieve*



# en Nuestra Parroquia

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## Iniciación cristiana de RICA

¿Quieres ser amigo de Jesús? El Rito de la Iniciación Cristiana tiene el objetivo de hacer justamente eso. El viaje de RICA se esfuerza hacer que Jesús sea más familiar para usted y para acercarlo más a Jesús. El viaje puede eventualmente conducir a todos los sacramentos que unen la relación bidireccional entre usted y Cristo. Entonces, si no está bautizado o bautizado en otra fe cristiana o incluso bautizado como católico, pero no le ha hecho la primera comunión o confirmación, venga el primer y tercer lunes de cada mes en la oficina parroquial a las 7:00:00 y comienza a desarrollar una amistad que no vas a encontrar en las redes sociales.

Para obtener más información, llame a Jim Lank al (818) 367-4757 o envíe un correo electrónico a [jimclank@gmail.com](mailto:jimclank@gmail.com) o si se siente más cómodo en español, comuníquese con Blanca Nava al (818) 858-7991.

## Hijas Católicas

Las hijas católicas desean agradecer a todos aquellos que generosamente contribuyeron a nuestra campaña de fondos para llenar mochilas para 300 niños necesitados en nuestra comunidad. Estos son todos los niños locales, y están agradecidos por su apoyo. Que Dios los bendiga por unirse a nosotros en este digno trabajo de construcción de la comunidad.



## Enseñe a los niños a estar seguros en el agua este Verano

Publicado el 7/2/2018

Ahogarse es la segunda razón de muerte de personas entre las edades de 5 y 24 años. Las familias deben hablar con sus hijos sobre hábitos de seguridad a usarse cuando ellos estén cerca de una alberca o en la playa. Los niños jamás deben ir al agua si no saben nadar, y jamás deben nadar solos o sin un salvavidas presente. Para los padres de familia, es muy importante evitar distracciones cuando supervisen niños que estén nadando. Para más consejos Consulte <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/org/Protecting/pages/Virtus-Current-Online-articles.aspx>.

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