

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 05th, 2023

# FAITH @ HOME

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**First Reading:** Malachi 1: 14b,2: 2b,8-10  
**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 131: 1,2,3  
**Second Reading:** 1 Thes 2: 7b-9, 13  
**Gospel:** Mathew 23: 1-12

[Full readings can be found here!](#)

## 1. HEAR

Gather your family somewhere comfortable to live this experience together. Ask an adult to open the Bible and read the Gospel of the day. Before the reading, say together this prayer: Holy Spirit: fill my heart with joy and peace, and give me wisdom to understand your Word. Amen.

Optional: instead of reading the Gospel from the Bible, you may utilize one of the resources we offer below.

Video proclamation of the Gospel for adults: [HERE](#)  
(Lumo; YouTube; 1:38 min)

Video proclamation of the Gospel for children: [HERE](#)  
(Holy Heroes; YouTube; 1:45 min)

Gospel Reflection page: [HERE](#)  
(The Spanish version is found on the 2nd page.)

## 2. PRAY

We are all children of God and through our baptism, we are commissioned to be His missionary disciples. Pray with Jesus and ask Him to open your heart to hear His Sacred Word and strength to live out His Word in your daily life.

Share with us how you are living out your faith at home. Use #LACatholicsBelieve and tag @OREinADLA on social media.

Ask Jesus to come into your heart, when you receive Him at Eucharist, and allow Him to transform your whole being to go forth and proclaim the Gospel to all those you encounter throughout your daily life. As you close your prayer time with Jesus, give thanks to God – for His Sacred Word and for the gifts of the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist.

Close this prayer time by reciting together the Responsorial Psalm. The full text can be found [HERE](#)

## 3. TALK

In today's Gospel, Jesus is inviting us to have the heart of a servant, always looking for opportunities to do good without seeking praise. Gather as family and reflect on the following questions:



1. When have you promised to do something and then forgotten about it? How did you feel when you realized you did not fulfill your promise?
2. Recall a time when you provided a service to someone you know (family member, friend, neighbor, etc.) and share with the rest how you felt afterwards.

As a family, decide on one act of kindness or service you can perform to benefit someone you know and who is in need at this time. Next, brainstorm ideas on how to help or serve that person, without him/her knowing that the benefit they received came from you.